



School's Out Regatta

May 31–June 1, 2014

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, class rules of the participating classes, and by these Sailing Instructions. In case of conflict, these sailing instructions shall govern.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the clubhouse on the glass case near the bar.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Changes to the sailing instructions made ashore will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be made by hail individually to all competitors in the starting area prior to a race's warning signal by the race committee signal boat while displaying code flag "L."

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the south end of the PYC lawn. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag AP is lowered. This alters "RRS Race Signals."

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, May 31, 2014		Sunday, June 1, 2014	
Registration	0900	Warning Signal for the First Race of the Day	1025
Skipper's Meeting	1030	Awards ASAP after racing	
Warning Signal for the First Race of the Day	1125		

Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

6 CLASS FLAGS

Optimist: Optimist insignia with white background
Optimist Green: White Optimist insignia with green background
Sunfish: Red Sunfish insignia with white background
420 Spinnaker: Pink flag
420 Non-spinnaker: Yellow flag
Laser Radial: Laser insignia on white background
Finn: Green flag
Portsmouth: Red flag

7 RACING AREA

The sailing area will be in Lake Pontchartrain east of the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway and southwest of the Pontchartrain Yacht Club, in the vicinity of mark M-1.

8 COURSE

The courses that may be used are shown in Attachment A.

8.1 Course 1: Windward-leeward, twice around with an offset mark to port of the windward mark.

8.2 Course 2: Windward-leeward, twice around.

8.3 Course 3: Windward-leeward, twice around, with a start/finish line between the windward and leeward marks. The start line will be between the course side of a mark to port of the RC boat and an orange flag on the port side of the RC boat. The finish line will be between the course side of a mark to starboard of the RC boat and an orange flag on the starboard side of the RC boat. Boats shall not cross the start line unless starting. Boats shall not cross the finish line unless finishing.

8.4 Optimist Green Fleet: The Optimist Green Fleet course will be announced orally on the water.

9 MARKS

9.1 Turning marks will be orange tetrahedrons. If set, the offset mark will be a small orange sphere. Starting marks will be orange spheres.

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11, will be yellow tetrahedrons.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the nearby mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the nearby mark.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 PENALTIES WHILE RACING

RRS Appendix T1 applies as follows:

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

12.2 POST-RACE PENALTIES

Appendix T, Section B shall be used.

13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 45 minutes for the first boat to finish.

14 PROTESTS

Appendix T, Section C shall be used.

15 SCORING

The Race Committee will attempt as many races as are practicable. One race will constitute a series. The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will be used, except that a boat's worst score shall be discarded if six or more races are completed. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

15.1 PORTSMOUTH CLASS

The Basic Portsmouth Numbers (D-PN) as published by US Sailing shall be used to determine corrected times for the Portsmouth class.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack, past the stern of the race committee boat that is flying Code Flag L and is anchored in the vicinity of the starting line. When passing astern, the boat shall hail her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee repeating the boat's bow number. A boat failing to do so will receive a warning for the first day of any such failure. A subsequent failure will result in a scoring penalty equal to 20% of the number of boats starting in that race. This changes rule 63.1.

17 PRIZES

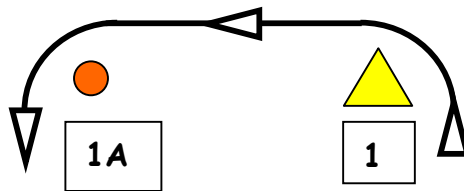
Prizes will be awarded to first through third in the Optimist Red, Blue, and White divisions and overall. Optimist Green Fleet participants will receive participation awards. For all other classes, prizes will be awarded to boats placing first through third.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

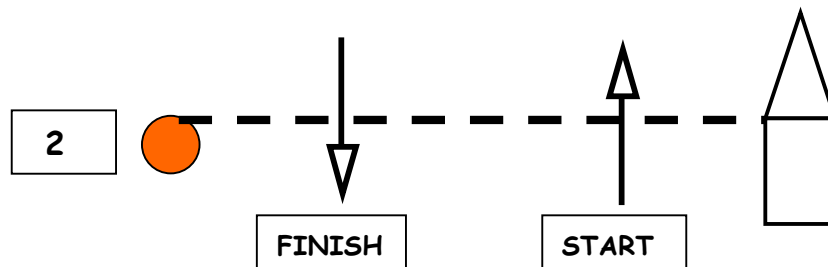
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Attachment A

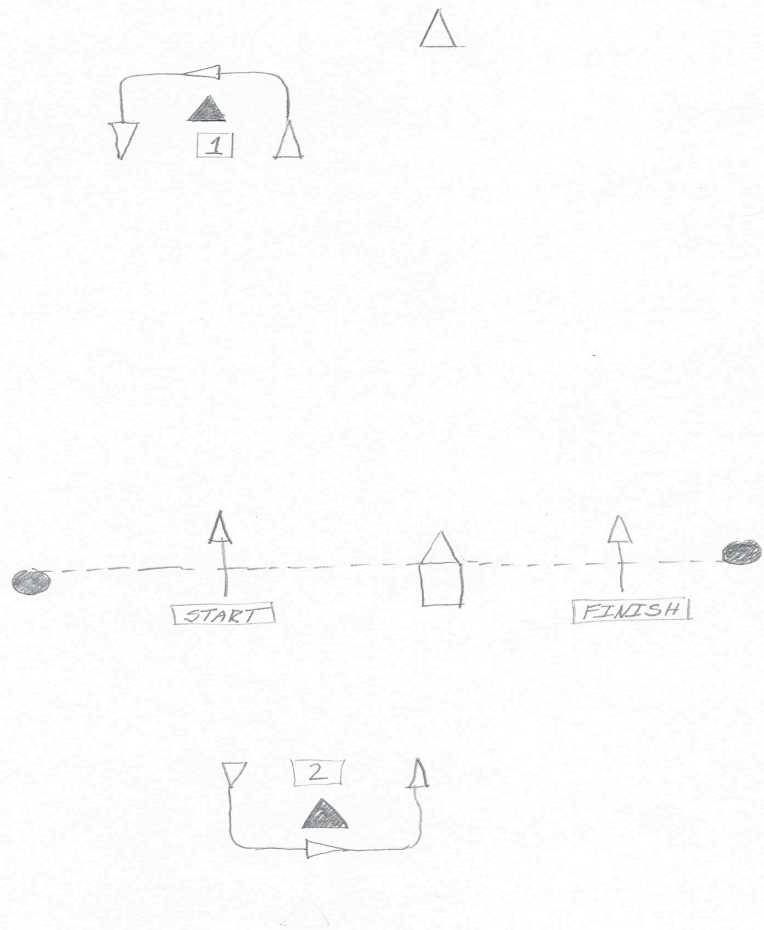
COURSE DIAGRAMS



NOT TO SCALE



COURSE 1: START-1(port)-1A(port)-2 (port)-1(port)-1A(port)-FINISH(downwind)
COURSE 2: START-1(port)-2(port) - 1(port) - FINISH(downwind)



NOT TO SCALE

COURSE 3: START-1(port)-2 (port)-1(port)-2 (port)-FINISH(upwind). Starting line and finishing line are exclusion zones when not starting or finishing, respectively.