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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

HOBIE 16, LASER, MELGES-15 REGATTA

August 17, 2023

1. <u>RULES</u>

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix T (Arbitration).

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 2 hours prior to the affected event on the Official Notice Board or verbally by the signal vessel prior to the warning signal.
- 2.2. The race committee may make changes on the water to the Sailing Instructions by hail to each boat before the warning signal.

3. <u>SCHEDULE</u>

- 3.1. The competitors meeting will be at 1230 at NYC.
- 3.2. The first warning signal will be at 1400.
- 3.3. Multiple races are planned.

4. RACING AREAS

All races will be sailed in Area 6 as in Addendum A.

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5. <u>COURSES</u>

- 5.1. The courses to be sailed are shown in Addendum B, including the approximate angles between legs and the order in which marks are to be passed. The courses will be hailed from the signal vessel.
- 5.2. The final race may be a "distance race", with a course communicated to all competitors on the water.
- 5.3. The first Hobie race will be from the beach launching area, with competitors organizing their own start.

6. MARKS

All marks will be red balls.

7. THE START

- 7.1. Repeated short sound signals will be made approximately ten seconds before the warning signal. Before that action, the race committee will verbally hail all boats to inform them which Division, or Divisions (ILCA 6, ILCA 7, Hobie-16, Melges-15) will be in the upcoming starting sequence.
- 7.2. Races will use the Audible-Signal Racing System of Appendix U (3-minute dinghy starts).
- 7.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 7.4. Boats may not start more than 5 minutes after their starting signal.
- 7.5. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of those boats after the starting signal. The failure to hail her number, failure to hear such a hail, and the order and timing of such hails, will not be considered an improper action or omission by the race committee under RRS 62.1(a).

8. CHANGE IN THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Courses will not be changed during racing although marks may be adjusted without signaling at the previous mark. This changes RRS 33.

9. THE FINISH

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

10. TIME LIMIT

- 10.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 45 minutes.
- 10.2. Boats still racing more than 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

11. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

- 11.1. Protests shall be reported to the race committee promptly after finishing the race.
- 11.2. Hearing request forms will be available at the Protest Desk outside the NYC Sail Room.
- 11.3. Protests or requests for redress shall be delivered within 60 minutes after the race committee finish vessel personnel come ashore. The time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 11.4. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 11.5. Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS61.1(b).
- 11.6. A request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 11.7. Arbitration will be held prior to a protest hearing for incidents involving rules of Part 2 except when RRS 44.1(b) may apply.

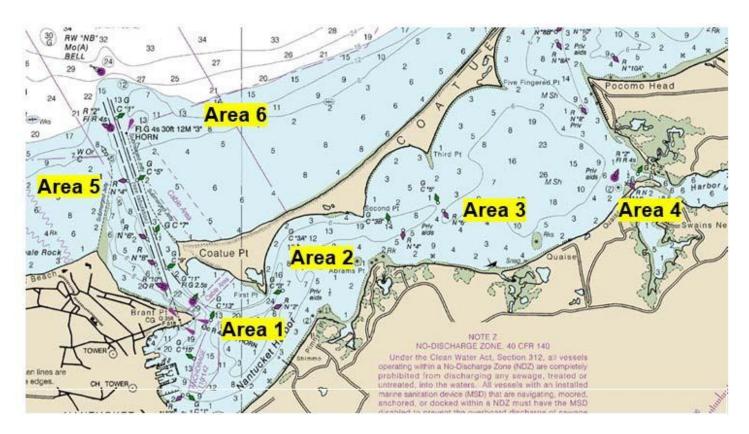


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11.8. Hearings will be held as soon as possible.

12. <u>SAFETY</u>

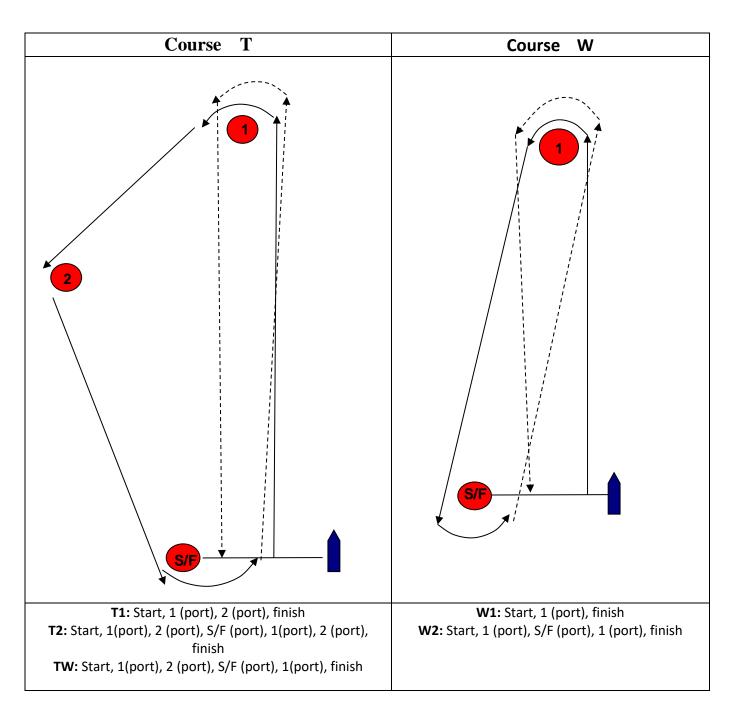
- 12.1. All boats shall check-in with the race committee before the start of the first race (second race for Hobies) by sailing past the signal vessel on starboard tack and hailing their sail number and receiving confirmation from the race committee.
- 12.2. All competitors shall wear, while on the water, US Coast Guard approved PFD, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes RRS 40. The penalty for breach of this rule is DSQ, without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 12.3. A boat that retires from the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.



Addendum A - Racing Areas



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Addendum B - Courses