



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. VENUE:**

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1.1 The venue will be off the Babylon Yacht Club in the general area of Babylon & West Islip, NY.

**2. SCHEDULE:**

2.1 Dates

<b>Friday Nov 25</b>	Saturday Dec 10	Saturday Jan 14	Saturday Feb 11	Saturday Feb 28	Saturday Mar 17
Saturday Dec 03	Sunday Jan 01	Saturday Jan 28	Saturday Feb 18	Saturday Mar 10	Saturday Mar 31

2.2 First gun 1100.

2.3 Alternate/Make up dates will be at the discretion of the Frostbiting Chair.

2.4 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Notice Board by the Junior YC porch.

**3. RULES:**

3.1 The event will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

**4. RESPONSIBILITY:**

4.1 As a condition of participating in winter racing at the Babylon Yacht Club (BYC), each participant is required to sign a Waiver and Release of Liability on a form provided by the Frostbiting Committee. By participating in such racing, each skipper and crew thereby confirms and agrees to the terms of such Waiver and Release of Liability.

**5. WEATHER CONSIDERATION:**

5.1 Decision as to whether racing may take place will be made no later than 2000 the day before.

5.2 While the final decision as to whether racing should be held will rest with the Frostbiting Chair, the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue is hers alone. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

**6. ELIGIBILITY:**

6.1 The Series will be sailed in Flying Scots.

6.1(a) Spinnakers will not be permitted.

6.2 This Series is open to BYC members and guests to whom an invitation has been extended by the Frostbiting Committee.

**7. ENTRIES:**

7.1 Competitors must register with the Regatta Chair in the Junior Yacht Club prior to racing.

7.2 **Mandatory Skippers/Safety Meeting for participants each race day at 1030 in the JYC.**

7.3 The fee to participate in the Frostbiting Series

7.3(a) BYC Member \$40.00 per Competitor.

7.3 (b) Single one day fee of \$10.00 may be applied towards the season fee.

7.4 Boat Usage

7.4(a) BYC Club-owned boats

7.4(a.1) First come first served basis – check w/Frostbiting Chair for availability.

7.4(a.1.1) BYC Club-owned boats must have a BYC member aboard.

7.4(a.2) Competitors are not permitted to use same club boat successive weekends.

7.4(b) Privately-owned boats



7.4(b.1) Use of privately owned boats by competitors other than the owner is solely at the discretion of the owner.

7.5 Race Committee Assignments – Competitors are requested to sign up for one race day of Race Committee duties.

## **8. SAFETY:**

8.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved Type III Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant, (i.e. not inflatable) while afloat. This modifies RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.

8.2 **INFLATABLE PFD's and FLOAT COATS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

8.3 Boats must remain in the basin vicinity until chase boat(s) are launched **AND** operational.

8.4 At the conclusion of racing all boats are to head directly to the basin.

8.5 While not a requirement - it is highly recommended competitors sail in a drysuit.

8.6 Failure to comply with 8.1-8.4 may lead to an immediate disqualification of the boat from the day's racing.

## **9. ON the WATER SAFETY:**

9.1 Capsize – Race Abandoned. All remaining boats must head to shore and crews stand by to assist as needed.

9.1(a) Racing will be abandoned for the day.

9.2 Man overboard – Race is abandoned and nearby boats must assist if possible.

9.2(a) Return to start/finish area to await further instructions.

## **10. START SEQUENCE:**

10.1 Three minute start sequence - Appendix S.

10.2 OCS will be announced verbally – Code flag “X” may not be flown.

10.3 General Recall will be designated w/blowing of whistle - “1<sup>st</sup> Repeater” may not be flown. This changes RRS 29.2.

10.3 A boat starting 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS w/out a hearing. This changes RRS A4 & A5.

## **11. START/FINISH AREA:**

11.1 Boats must remain in the start/finish area between races.

11.2 Changes or announcements may be made verbally.

11.3 Start/Finish line between mark and RC boat or two marks with RC boat positioned outside in line with the marks.

11.4 Sailing thru the start/finish line is permitted.

## **12. TIME LIMIT:**

12.1 A 30 minute time limit shall apply for each race.

12.2 Any boat not finishing within 10 minutes of the finish time of the first boat will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 1. This changes RRS 35, A4.1 & A5.

12.3 The Race Committee may award boats their positions should conditions make it impractical to await their finish. This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A4.2 & A5.



**13. SCORING:**

- 13.1 The 'Low Point' Scoring System, RRS Appendix A2, will apply.
  - 13.1(a) Individual days will be scored using low point scoring with no throw out races.
- 13.2 Series scoring will be low point with one throw out day for each four days of sailing.
  - 13.2(a) Skippers must sail minimum of half the dates sailed to be eligible for seasons scoring
- 13.3 Race Committee volunteers will receive the average of their scores for the season.

**14. COURSE:**

- 14.1 Courses will be triangle, windward/leeward, a "No-gybe" course or a combination thereof.
  - 14.1(a) Course diagrams are at the end of these SI's.
- 14.2 Course will be designated verbally or on placards.
- 14.3 If a "2" is designated with course – sail course twice around.
- 14.4 Mark-room is designated at three boat lengths.
- 14.5 Marks will be orange spheres.
  - 14.5(a) Courses A, B, & C - port roundings.
  - 14.5(b) Course D - marks 1 & 4 Port rounding, marks 2 & 3 Starboard rounding.

**15. PROTEST & PENALTY TURNS:**

- 15.1 On the water penalty turn will be one 360° turn. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 15.2 If intending to protest, hail, "Protest" and the yacht's sail number or skipper.
  - 15.2(a) Displaying of protest flag is not required.
- 15.3 Inform RC after completion of the race. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 15.4 Protests must be filed w/in 15 minutes of the last safety boat being hauled & secured.

**16. PRIZES:**

- 16.1 Results will be announced at the conclusion of day's racing.
- 16.2 Prizes may be awarded at the Series conclusion.

**17. BOAT STORAGE:**

- 17.1 Registered Flying Scots will be permitted to stay in the BYC boatyard for the Series duration where they will be stored in a locked boatyard. Access to boats will be restricted to race days.
- 17.2 The BYC assumes no responsibility for loss or damages.
- 17.3 All boats must be properly secured on a trailer.

**18. MISC:**

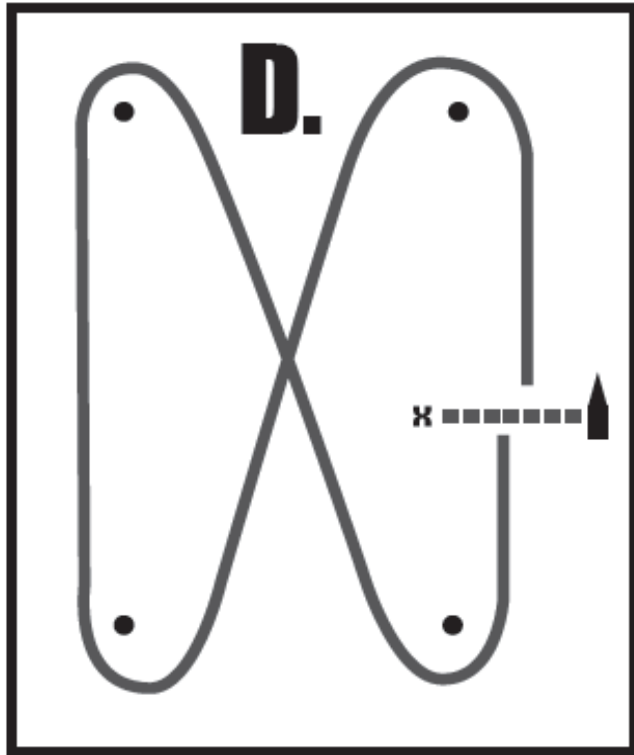
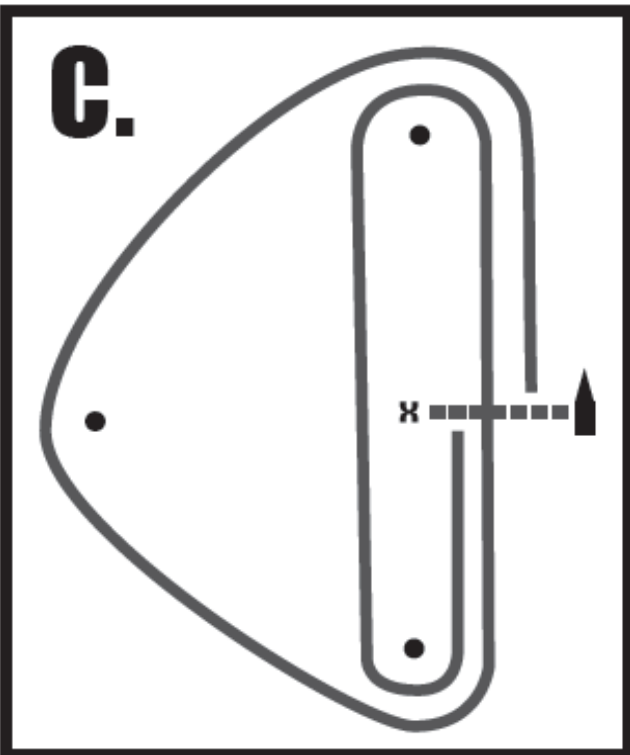
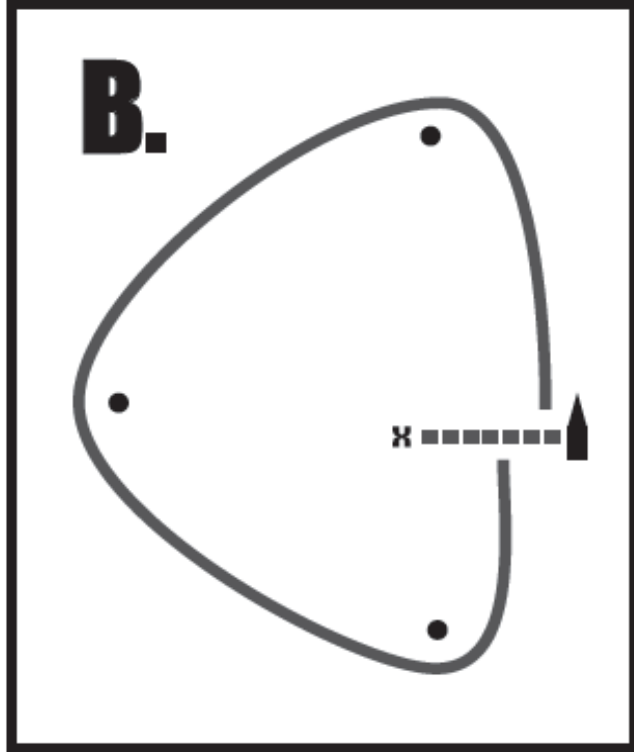
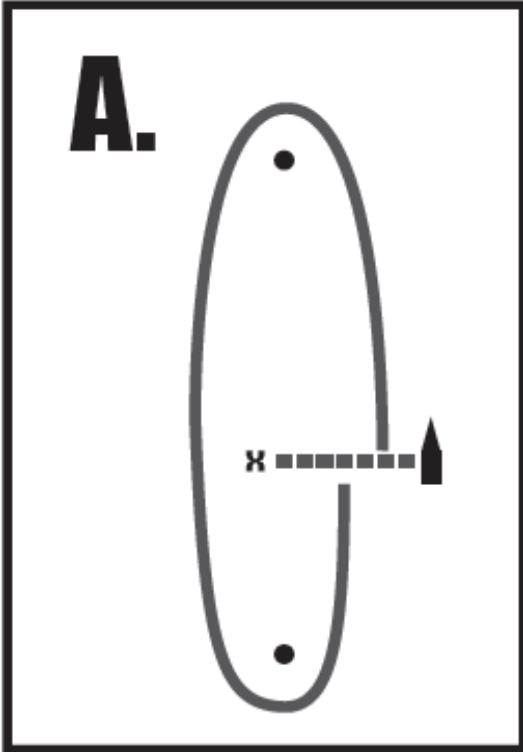
- 18.1 The BYC is closed during the off-season, no facilities will be available.
- 18.2 This is a "Pack-in/Pack-out" event, make arrangements to take anything you bring – including trash.
- 18.3 Frostbiting is a team effort - crews from hauled boats assist remaining haul outs as needed.

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