

BABYLON YACHT CLUB
MENS & WOMANS CHAMPIONSHIP
SATURDAY OCTOBER 3, 2009



ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: BABYLON YACHT CLUB
EATON LANE, WEST ISLIP, NY 11795

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined by the current *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and the Championship Conditions.
- 1.2 Class Association membership is not required.

2 Notices to Competitors:

- 2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located at the Babylon Yacht Club.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions:

- 3.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4 Signals Made Ashore:

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Babylon Yacht Club
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal AP.

5 Special Signals:

- 5.1 The display of Flag "H" (white and red vertical bars) at the finish of any race means "Racing has ended for the day."
- 5.2 The display of Flag V (red "X" on a white background) before the warning signal with one whistle, or during the race at a mark with periodic whistles means "Spinnakers shall not be used from this time forward in this race."

6 Schedule of Races:

- 6.1 A Competitors meeting will be held at 1000 Saturday October 3, 2009.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is: Saturday October 3, 2009 at 1030.
- 6.3 Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.
- 6.4 Should conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races, the regatta shall be terminated and the results based on the races completed and scored.
- 6.5 If there are an excessive number of crews and an insufficient number of available boats for use, the class may be subdivided into multiple semi final subdivisions followed by a final race to determine the overall winner.
- 6.6 The Men's, Women's & Match Racing championship(s) will be held consecutively. Determination of the order of championship fleets to race will be announced at skippers meeting.

7 Racing Area:

- 7.1 The racing area will be upon the waters SSE of the Babylon Yacht Club.
- 7.2 The distance from the harbor to the racing area is approximately 00.25 – 00.50 nm.

8 Marks:

- 8.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be medium orange or yellow inflatable buoys.
- 8.2 The starting and finishing marks when they are not marks 1, 2, or 3 will be a small orange or yellow inflatable buoys.

9 Boats and Sails:

- 9.1 The event will be sailed in Flying Scott Class boats.
- 9.2 The Babylon Yacht club will provide club owned or club accommodated boats for this event.
- 9.3 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.
- 9.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Regatta Chairman.
- 9.5 The penalty for not complying with one of the above rules may be disqualification from the race or races sailed in which the rule is broken.
- 9.6 This will be either a round robin event or boats will be randomly assigned to competitors. The decision will be made by the Regatta Chairman and announced at the Competitors Meeting.

10 The Course:

- 10.1 The diagrams in Addendum A –Courses & Start Sequence show courses including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 10.2 The courses will be either Windward – Leeward, Triangle, or Triangle-Windward-Leeward. The course will be designated verbally. The course and the approximate distance from the leeward mark to the weather mark will be displayed on a dry erase board on the RC signal boat. [The attached diagram, Addendum A – One Designs Courses & Start Sequence, shows the courses, course designations, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark.]
- 10.3 The approximate compass bearing from the leeward mark to the weather mark will be displayed on a dry erase board on the RC signal boat.

11 The Start:

- 11.1 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the RC signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.2 Boats starting later than four (4) minutes after their starting signal will be scored a ‘DNS’.
- 11.3 This is a closed gate event. Do not cross the start line unless starting or finishing. Failure to comply with this rule will result in a ‘DSQ’ for that race.

12 Recalls:

- 12.1 The race committee will hail the sail numbers to recall any boat ‘OCS’ after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes *RRS* rules 41 and 62.1.

13 The Finish:

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

14 Penalty System:

- 14.1 *RRS* Appendix P will apply modified as follows:
- 14.2 *RRS* P2.2 is changed to “second time and subsequent times”
- 14.3 *RRS* P2.3 is deleted
- 14.4 *RRS* P3 is changed to read: “If a boat has been protested under rule N1 and the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment, the penalty or penalties are cancelled.”

15 Time Limit:

- 15.1 The time limit for each race will be 35 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 15.2 Boats still racing 10 minutes after the first boat finishes and not thereafter retiring, penalized or given redress will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and will be assigned scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points. This changes *RRS* rules 35, A4.2, and A5.
- 15.3 If a boats in or near last place in a race are unduly delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score those boats in the place they would have finished based on their position at the time the race is terminated.

16 Protests and Requests for Redress:

- 16.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested. This changes *RRS* 61.1(a).
- 16.2 Protests shall be in writing, forms available from the Registration Desk or Race Committee, and delivered to Race Committee Boat within 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks.
- 16.3 The Protest time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in *RRS* 61.1(b) and 63.2
- 16.4 A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking sailing instruction 17, 18.1, 21 or 22. This changes *RRS* 60.1(a). The penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee.

17 Scoring:

- 17.1 The *Low Point Scoring System* of *RRS* Appendix A will apply, except that each boat's score will be the total of her scores in all races.
- 17.2 (a) Requests for redress as a result of breakdowns shall be handled in accordance with paragraph 20 below.

18 Breakdowns:

- 18.1 A boat whose finishing place, through no fault of her own, is made significantly worse because of a breakdown may seek redress. This changes *RRS* 62.1.
- 18.2 A boat seeking redress for breakdown shall display a white flag as soon as practicable, and continue to display it until informed by the race committee or protest committee to remove it.

19 Safety Regulations:

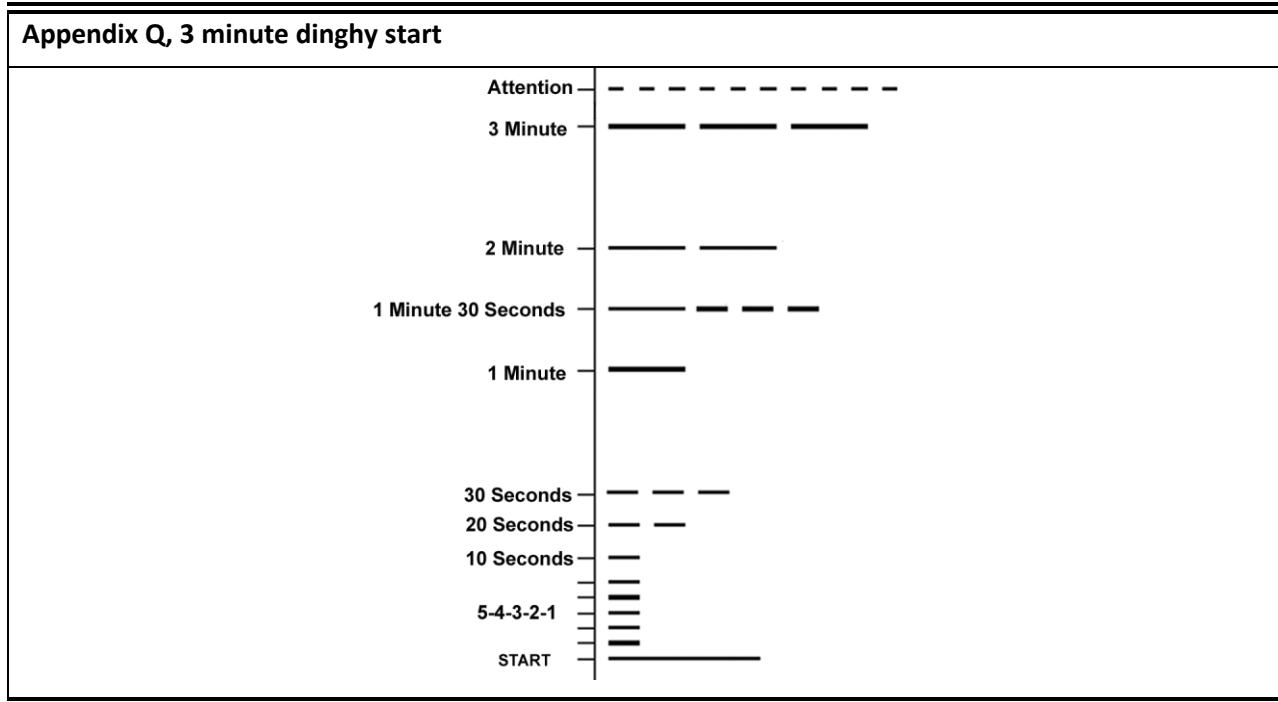
- 19.1 All competitors, while on the water, must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD.
- 19.2 Float coats and inflatable PFD's are not permitted.
- 19.3 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, the Regatta Office immediately after arrival ashore.

20 Prizes:

- 20.1 Trophies will be awarded for the top 3 finishers for both Men's and Women's Classes.

Addendum A –Courses & Start Sequence

Starting Sequence



Course Diagram

	<p>Variations of the following courses may be selected:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Triangle S-1-2-3-F * Triangle-windward-leeward S-1-2-3-1-3-F * Windward-leeward S-1-3-F <p>Course selections will be made orally.</p> <p>This is a CLOSED GATE event. DO NOT cross the line except to start or finish a race.</p>
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