

2024 OBX Multihull Sail Fest September 7-8, 2024

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

See NOR 1 Rules

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted immediately following the competitors' meeting on Saturday and before 0900 on Sunday, except that any change in the schedule of races shall be posted by 18:00 or by the protest time limit, whichever is later, on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta network official notice board. A shoreside courtesy notice board may be located at the registration tent.

3.2 Per NOR 6, Skippers meeting is Saturday 10am.

3.4 Race Committee intends to monitor and may communicate with competitors on the VHF hailing channel 72.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed at the Registration tent.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Per NOR 6, First Signal Saturday is 11am. First Signal Sunday is 10:30am

5.2 Race Committee may attempt to run three to five races per day, conditions permitting. There is no maximum number of races. This changes NOR 6.

5.3 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:00.

6 CLASS FLAGS

F18 Yellow		Open White w Blue		Weta	
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7 RACING AREA

Per NOR 7.2, racing will occur in the Roanoke Sound.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in **Appendix A** show the courses (including the course designation number), the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 Race Committee intends to set a gate at the leeward end of the course. However, a single leeward mark may be set, in which case it shall be left to port.

8.3 F18 will sail the long course and round Mark 1L. Others round Mark 1

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, and 2 shall be **orange** inflatable marks and Mark 1L shall be **yellow** inflatable mark.

9.2 The Starting Mark shall be Green and the Finishing Mark shall be an Orange ball.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel on the starboard end and the course side of the port end Starting Mark.

10.2 Race Committee may hail OCS boats. Failure to hail, failure to hear a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. *This changes RRS 62.1(a).*

11 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Course changes of less than 10 degrees may be made with no signal and no change of mark color. This changes RRS 33

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel on the starboard end and the course side of the finishing mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

Per NOR 12.1, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

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14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for each race is ninety (90) minutes.
- 14.2 If no boat has rounded the windward mark within thirty (30) minutes, the race shall be abandoned.
- 14.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the 2nd boat to sail the course and finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.*
- 14.4 The Race Committee may finish in place boats who are still racing, provided their finish position can be determined in a reasonable manner. *This changes RRS 35 and A5.*

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the docking of the Race Committee signal vessel for or after Race Committee signals 'No more racing today', whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.2 Hearing request forms are available from Race Committee.
- 15.3 Notices will be posted no later than ten (10) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. The hearing(s) location will also be posted at that time.

16 SCORING

Boats scored TLE receive a score equal to the number of finishers +1. This changes RRS 5.2

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP]

- 17.1 Each boat is required to have a righting system that allows the boat to be righted by the boat's crew.
- 17.2 Prior to the first warning signal of each day, each boat shall sail by the stern of the Race Committee signal vessel and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee hailing back the boat's sail number.
- 17.3 A boat that leaves the course before racing for the day is completed shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

18 RISK STATEMENT

See NOR 15.1 Risk Statement

APPENDIX A Courses

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
2	Start-1-2s/2p-1-Finish
3	Start-1-2s/2p-1-2s/2p-1-Finish
Note	F18 round mark 1L, Others round Mark 1

