

BAY SHORE YACHT CLUB

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2024 NEW YORK DOWNSTATE SUNFISH REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

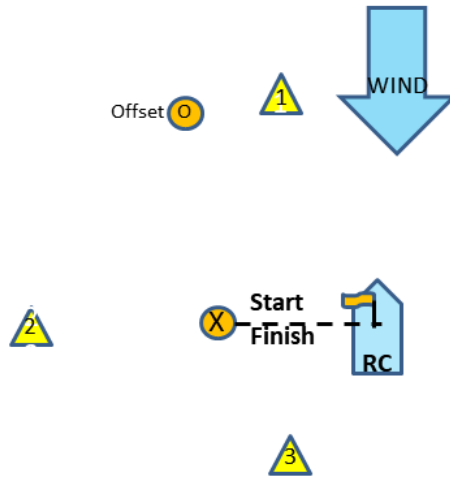
Saturday and Sunday, August 17 and 18

1. **RULES:** The Races will be governed by the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and rules of the International Sunfish Class Association except as altered by these sailing instructions.
2. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** will be posted on <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28417> and verbally announced at the skipper's meeting before the racing begins.
3. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:** Will be posted by 1000 Saturday, August 17 on <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28417>
4. **SCHEDULE**
 - 4.1 Skipper's Meeting will be held Saturday, August 17 at 1100 and the first warning signal at approximately 1200 will follow. It is anticipated that the racing will continuous be and no race will be started after 1700.
 - 4.2 A brief skipper's meeting will be held Sunday August 18 at 1000. and the first warning signal will follow at approximately 1100.
 - 4.3 No race will start on Sunday after 1500 (but we hope to have you off the water long before that). An awards ceremony will follow the racing on Sunday.
5. **START and FINISH LINES and STARTING SYSTEM**
 - 5.1 The starting and finish line will be between an orange buoy at the port end of the line and a staff flying an orange flag aboard the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the line.
 - 5.2 Appendix U "Audible-Signal Racing System" shall be used for the start (3-minute dinghy start).
 - 5.3 Although Flag X need not be displayed, the RC will display Flag X for individual recalls. Failure to hear an adequate hail or sound signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)
6. **COURSES:**
 - 6.1 The start finish line approximately 1/3 of the leg to windward of the leeward mark.
 - 6.2 The course to be sailed will be displayed on a board by the race committee prior to the starting sequence of each race
 - 6.3 Courses will be around-the-buoys, leaving all marks to port.
 - 6.4 Marks will be Yellow Inflatables.

- 6.5 An offset mark (which will be an Orange Buoy), may be used at the RC's discretion. If an offset mark is used at the windward mark, it must be left to port only on legs going directly from the windward mark to the leeward mark. It may be disregarded when sailing to the reach mark on a triangle.
- 6.6 There is no prohibition to passing through the start -finish line **while racing**.

COURSES

- 2 Windard/Leeward** Start - 1 - O - 3 - Finish
3 Triangle: Start - 1 - 2 -3 - Finish
4 Windard/Leeward 2 Times Around Start - 1 - O - 3 - 1 - O - 3 - Finish
5 Triangle - Windard/Leeward Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - O - 3 - Finish
6 Triangle 2 Times Around Start - 1 - 2 -3 - 1 - 2 -3 - Finish



- 6.7 The Race Committee may elect to place an anti-barging mark astern of the Committee Boat. Boats shall not touch this mark or sail between it and the Committee Boat at any time, even when starting. If this mark is used, it is an extension of the committee boat and if a boat touches it, she must do a penalty turn.

7. RECALLS:

- 7.1 **INDIVIDUAL:** The RC will attempt to hail sail numbers of boats that are OCS, however the onus of starting correctly remains solely with the competitor.
- 7.2 **GENERAL:** The RC will hail general recalls. After 1 general recall the Race Committee may display an I flag, (1minute rule) , a Z Flag or a Black Flags so pay particular attention to the RC boat after a general recall.

8. **CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER START:** Rule 33 is hereby changed in that the race committee may make minor course adjustments without displaying a "C" flag or compass course to the next mark.

9. **TIME LIMIT:** The time limit for the 1st boat to finish is 45 minutes. Boats not finishing within 15 minutes of the 1st place boat shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired - 2 places more than the number of finishers).
10. **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:**
 - 10.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Committee.
 - 10.2 The protest time limit for both days is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Boat returns to the dock. This changes Rule 61.3.
 - 10.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform Competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. This constitutes "Notice" as per Rule 61.1. Hearings filed on Saturday will be held starting at 0800 on Sunday morning. Hearings filed on Sunday will be held starting immediately after the protest time ends.
11. **SCORING:** RRS Appendix A will be used, modified as follows
 - 11.1 One throw-out will be allowed for every five races sailed.
 - 11.2 One completed race constitutes a series
12. **SAFETY:**
 - 12.1 All competitors shall wear a properly fastened US Coast Guard approved Personal Flootation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant, (i.e. not inflatable) while afloat. Float coats and inflatable PFD's are NOT permitted. This modifies RRS 40 and preamble to Part 4.
 - 12.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee or other race personnel as soon as possible.
13. **PRIZES:** Will be awarded at the BSYC Club house approximately 1 hour after the last boat finishes on Sunday, August 18.
14. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. Bay Shore Yacht Club, its officers, employees, governors, agents, members, committees, and volunteers will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the Regatta.
15. **CONTACT:** Matt Rainis Mobile: (516) 807-6651 mrainis@lwrlawyer.com

RACE SIGNALS

The meanings of visual and sound signals are stated below. An arrow pointing up or down (↑ ↓) means that a visual signal is displayed or removed. A dot (•) means a sound; five short dashes (- - - -) mean repetitive sounds; a long dash (—) means a long sound. When a visual signal is displayed over a class flag, fleet flag, event flag or race area flag, the signal applies only to that class, fleet, event or race area.

Postponement Signals



↑ • • ↓ •
AP Races not started are *postponed*. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is *postponed* again or *abandoned*.



↑ • •
AP over H Races not started are *postponed*. Further signals ashore.



↑ • •
AP over A Races not started are *postponed*. No more racing today.

AP over a numeral pennant 1 – 9

Postponement of 1–9 hours from the scheduled starting time.



Pennant 1
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 2
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 3
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 4
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 5
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Pennant 6
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Pennant 7
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 8
 ↑ • • ↓ •



Pennant 9
 ↑ • • ↓ •

Abandonment Signals



↑ • • • ↓ •
N All races that have started are *abandoned*. Return to the starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal unless at that time the race is *abandoned* again or *postponed*.



↑ • • •
N over H All races are *abandoned*. Further signals ashore.



↑ • • •
N over A All races are *abandoned*. No more racing today.

Safety



↑ —
V Monitor communication channel for safety instructions (see rule 37).

Preparatory Signals



↑ • ↓ —
P Preparatory signal.



↑ • ↓ —
I Rule 30.1 is in effect.



↑ • ↓ —
Z Rule 30.2 is in effect.



↑ • ↓ —
U Rule 30.3 is in effect.



↑ • ↓ —
Black flag. Rule 30.4 is in effect.

Recall Signals



↑ •
X Individual recall.



↑ • • ↓ •
First Substitute General recall. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal.

Shortened Course



↑ • •
S The course has been shortened. Rule 32.2 is in effect.

Changing the Next Leg



C The position of the next *mark* has been changed:



to starboard;



to port;



to decrease the length of the leg;



to increase the length of the leg.

Other Signals



↑ •
L Ashore: A notice to competitors has been posted. Afloat: Come within hail or follow this vessel.



M The object displaying this signal replaces a missing *mark*.



↑ •
Y Wear a personal flotation device (see rule 40).



(no sound)
Orange flag. The staff displaying this flag is one end of the starting line.



(no sound)
Blue flag. The staff displaying this flag is one end of the finishing line.

INTERNATIONAL SIGNAL FLAGS

A		J		S		
B		K		T		
C		L		U		
D		M		V		
E		N		W		
F		O		X		
G		P		Y		
H		Q		Z		
I		R				