



## 2024 Don VanVechten Memorial Sunfish Regatta- August 31st, 2024

### Sailing Instructions

**Organizing Authority: Rochester Canoe Club, 2050 Bay Shore Blvd, Rochester, NY 14622**

The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that *rule*. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing will apply including Appendix V.
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7

#### 2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before the competitors meeting and announced at the competitors meeting as well as being posted to the notice board.

#### 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the bulletin board on the lower level of the Clubhouse.
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This includes mobile phones.
- 3.3 The race committee may make changes to the sailing instructions on the water using the following procedures.
  - RC will fly code flag L with 1 horn prior to warning of the race requiring a change.
  - Competitors will sail by the stern of the RC boat on starboard and receive additional oral instructions via loud hailer.
  - RC will keep a list of competitors who received oral instructions.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 The signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the East side of the property.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 25 minutes' in race signal AP. 

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, August 31st 2024

0815-0900 Breakfast and Registration

0900 Skippers' Meeting

1000 Warning, First Race

After racing -Awards and dinner.

## **6 CLASS FLAG**

The class flag will be a black Sunfish logo on a white background.

## **7 RACING AREA**

The racing area shall be Irondequoit Bay.

## **8 THE COURSES**

8.1 The diagrams show the courses.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the course to be sailed.

## **9 MARKS**

9.1 The windward, leeward and jibe marks will be large orange tetrahedrons.

9.2 Mark 1a (offset) will be a small red ball.

9.3 The new mark, as used in SI 11, will be a yellow tetrahedron. For a new windward mark there will be no offset mark

9.4 The starting marks will be a race committee vessel displaying an yellow flag and a yellow tetrahedron.

9.5 The finishing marks will be a race committee vessel displaying a blue flag and a yellow tetrahedron.

## **10 THE START**

10.1 Starts will be a 3 minute starting sequence. Races will be started using US Sailing Appendix U-Audible-Signal Racing System

10.2 The start line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of a yellow tetrahedron 10.3 A boat that does not start within five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing..

10.4 The RC will attempt to hail premature starters. Failure to hail, the order or timing of the hail, or the failure to hear the hail will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new and remove the original mark as soon as practical. A new mark will have no offset.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the committee boat and a yellow tetrahedron.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

13.1 Appendix V will apply.

13.2 Penalties for breaking a rule other than those of Part 1, Part 2, RRS 31 or RRS 42 will be determined by the protest committee. Penalties may be less than disqualification. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

## **14 TIME LIMITS**

14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit of 20 minutes the race will be abandoned.

14.3 Boats still racing at 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), without a hearing. The score will be equal to the number of boats which sailed the course and finished plus two (2) points but no more than a DNS. This changes RRS 35, A4 A5.1, A5.2, and A10.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

15.1 Protest forms are available from the Race Committee.

15.2 The protest time limit is **45** minutes after the RC signal vessel docks after the last race of the day or when RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

15.3 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.

15.4 Hearings will be held in the RCC clubhouse or grounds.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

16.1 [NP]Check-in Procedures: Prior to the warning signal for the first in which it intends to compete, each boat shall check in by sailing past the stern of the race committee signal vessel on starboard tack, hail her sail number and obtain acknowledgement of the race committee.

## **17 OFFICIAL VESSELS**

17.1 Official vessels will be marked as follows:

Race Committee Vessel: RCC burgee.



17.2 Failure of an official vessel to display the redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

designated flag shall not be grounds for

## **18. TRASH DISPOSAL**

[NP]Trash may be placed aboard support or official vessels.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

[NP]Except in emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **20 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

Substitution of boats, or sails will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Protest Committee. Boats shall use the sail numbers entered on the registration form and shall not change the numbers on its sail or use a sail with a different number during the regatta without prior written approval of the Protest Committee.

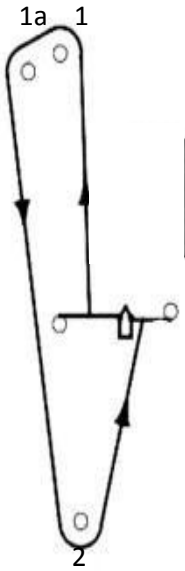
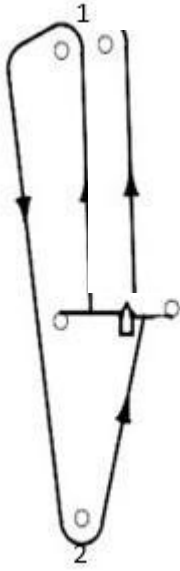
## **21 RISK STATEMENT**

Disclaimer of Liability Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk: see RR3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, illness, disease or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta

# Course Diagrams

## MW1 or MW2

## Z1 or Z2

	<p>Two "mark 1s" will be set, a green flag flying from the committee boat designates that the starboard mark 1 is in use, a red flag flying from the committee boats designates the port mark 1 in use for the race.</p> 
<p>MW1- Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – Upwind Finish          MW2- Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 1-1a-2 Upwind Finish</p>	<p>Z1- Start – 1 – 2 – Upwind Finish          Z2- Start – 1 – 2 – 1--2 Upwind Finish</p>