



46TH ANNUAL BNAC 2016

AUGUST 8 - 12

RACINE, WI



Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Current *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, the US Sailing Prescriptions, and by these sailing instructions.

2. ENTRIES AND BOAT MEASUREMENT

2.1 This regatta is open to all Buccaneer Class Association (BCA) Members, Associate Members, and Honorary Lifetime Members.

2.2 Entrants must be recorded as Members in the BCA registry as of August 9, 2016.

2.3 Entrant registrations must be received by the Regatta Committee by August 9, 2016.

2.4 Each boat shall produce a valid Measurement Certificate prior to the start of racing. A Measurement Certificate must be completed by the owner/registrant prior to BNAC if they do not already have one. Racers may request measurement of boats after a race day if they believe a boat does not conform to the class measurement rules. Boats that fail to meet class measurements will be DSQ for the racing day. Request for measurement will conform to Protest filing rules and be filed on a Protest form. Requests must be specific about what measurement rules are questioned.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front window of the RYC Clubhouse.

3.2 A competitors meeting will be held at 1000 at the RYC Clubhouse on Tuesday, August 9, 2016.

4. CHANGES TO SIS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0930 the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the RYC Clubhouse. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after AP is lowered.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Up to four races are scheduled for each day of this regatta.

6.2 Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.

6.3 The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race on August 9th is 1200. The scheduled time for the warning signal each subsequent day is 1100.

6.4 The RC will signal its intention to start another race by flying code flag "R" from the Signal Boat at the finish of a race. After finishing each race, competitors shall stand clear of the Finish Line. Approximately 1 minute before the Warning signal of each additional race, multiple horn signals will be sounded from the RC Boat.

6.5 No starting sequence will begin after 1600.

7. RACING AREA

All races will be held on Lake Michigan.

8. CHECK IN

Prior to her first race each day, each boat shall sail by the RC Boat, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the committee by a return hail to assure being recorded as a starter.

9. CLASS FLAGS

9.1 The class flag for the A Fleet will a black insignia on a white background. The class flag for the B Fleet will a white insignia on a black background.

9.2 A fleet and B fleet will start separately.

10. COURSES

10.1 The course will be designated with a course board and will be posted prior to the Preparatory Signal for that class. This modifies RRS 27.1.

10.2 The course will be chosen from those depicted on the last page of this document. Course modifier "2" may be displayed to indicate that the class is to sail two additional legs (one windward & one leeward) to complete the course.

10.3 If Code flag Y is displayed, PFDs must be worn for this race.

11. MARKS

Orange inflatables will be used as marks on the course. If a mark is changed after the start of a race, the change mark will be a yellow inflatable.

12. START AND FINISH LINES

The starting line and finishing lines will be between a orange flag on an RC boat and a orange tetrahedron.



13. STARTING SYSTEM

Races will be started per RRS 26.

14. TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for each race will be 1.5 hours for the first boat to finish in that class.

14.2 Boats unable to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored TLE and will receive points equal to two more than the number of boats that finished the race prior to the 30 minute time limit. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Use of hand held VHF radios will be permitted for communication from the Race Committee to competitors on a predetermined channel to be provided in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee intends to use VHF radio (channel 72) to identify OCS (On Course Side of the line) boats after starts and otherwise communicate with the fleet on the water. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or receive other communications to the fleet shall not be cause for redress.

16 DIGITAL DEVICES

Devices that provide real time or near real time boat speed, location, distance, wind speed, or water current information and electronic devices that provide wind direction are prohibited. Devices that store boat data for later retrieval ashore (ex: RaceQs) will be allowed only when used in accordance with the sailing instructions.

17. PROTESTS

17.1 Protests shall be delivered to the RYC Clubhouse within 60 minutes after the RC signal boat docks.

17.2 The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board.

17.3 Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day at the RYC Clubhouse.

17.4 The Protestor is responsible for notifying the Protestee of the hearing time.

18. SCORING

The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A applies. If 6 or more races are completed, each boat's worst score will be excluded from the series score. If 12 or more races are held, a boat's two worst scores will be excluded from the series score. A boat may not exclude a DSQ/DNE/DGM. This modifies RRS A2. Three races constitute a series.

19. AWARDS

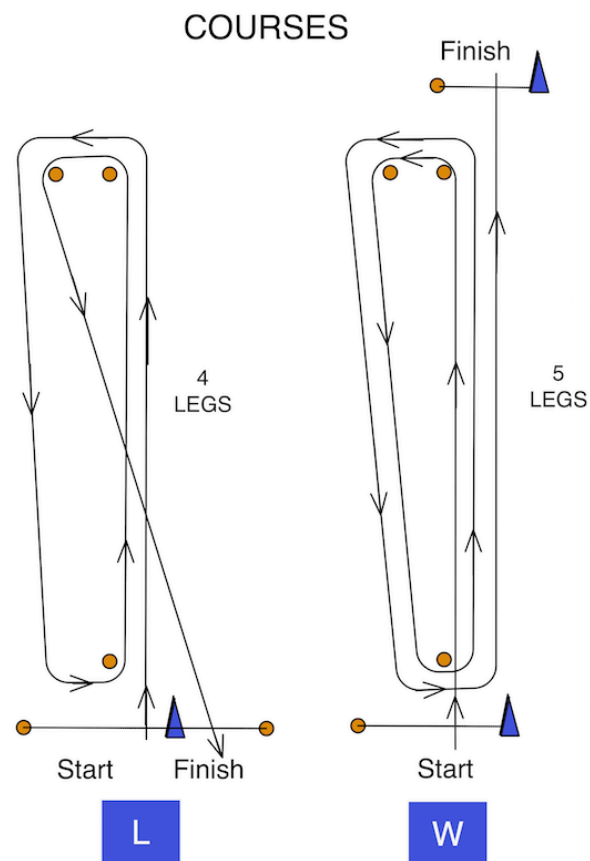
Trophies will be awarded per the Notice of Race at the awards reception on August 12, 2016.

20. WITHDRAWAL

A boat which retires from a race shall make a reasonable effort to notify the RC on the water. If the RC is not notified while on the water, every effort should be made to notify the committee once the RC returns to the RYC Clubhouse.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, RYC, accepts no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.



Course Modifier

Course modifier "2" may be displayed to indicate that that class is to sail two additional windward/leeward legs to complete the course. This increases the number of legs on the (L) course from 4 to 6 legs and the (W) courses from 5 to 7 legs.