



NCASA

2023 NCASA Annual Championship

Organizing Authority – National Class A Scow Sailing Association

Thursday, June 22, 2023 – Sunday, June 25, 2023

Host – Minnetonka Yacht Club

19800 Minnetonka Blvd, Excelsior, MN 553313

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preamble – The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule and for which the Jury may refuse to hold a hearing. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 63.1 as stated below. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for breaking this rule may, at the discretion of the Jury, be less than disqualification.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS 29.1, 30.1, 30.3, 33, 35, 41, 44, 60.1, 63, 78, A5, and A10 are changed as stated in the Notice of Race.
- 1.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not freely available to all boats or medically necessary.
- 1.4 [DP] Class Rules.
- 1.5 Race signals is changed so a blue flag at the finish is changed to an orange flag at the finish. This changes race signals.

2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on 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.

3 Communications with Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board is located at <http://www.yachtscoring.com>.
- 3.2 An unofficial physical notice board will be located at Minnetonka Yacht Club.
- 3.3 [NP] In addition to official notice board posts, text messages and/or emails may be sent to the phone number and/or email address listed during entry. If such a message is sent to an individual under the age of 18, the communication will be simultaneously sent to the adult's information on file.
- 3.4 The race office is located at Lighthouse Island at Minnetonka Yacht Club.
- 3.5 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 72.
- 3.6 The following communications may be made by the race committee on VHF channel 72.

- 3.6.1 Wind and weather conditions.
- 3.6.2 Intentions for the day's racing.
- 3.6.3 Requests to come to the racing area or stay ashore.
- 3.6.4 Racecourse information
- 3.6.5 Starting Sequence information
- 3.6.6 Change of Course information
- 3.6.7 Boats identified on the course side of the starting line as described in SI 12.4.
- 3.6.8 Any other pertinent race information

4 Code of Conduct

- 4.1 [NP][DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from a race official.

5 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 [NP] Signals made ashore will be displayed on a docked signal boat.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6 Schedule of Races

- 6.1 The scheduled warning signal for the first race on Friday, June 23, 2023 and Saturday, June 24, 2023 is 1100
- 6.2 The scheduled warning signal for the first race on Sunday, June 25, 2023 is 1000.
- 6.3 Subsequent races will follow each day.
- 6.4 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1200.

7 Class Flag

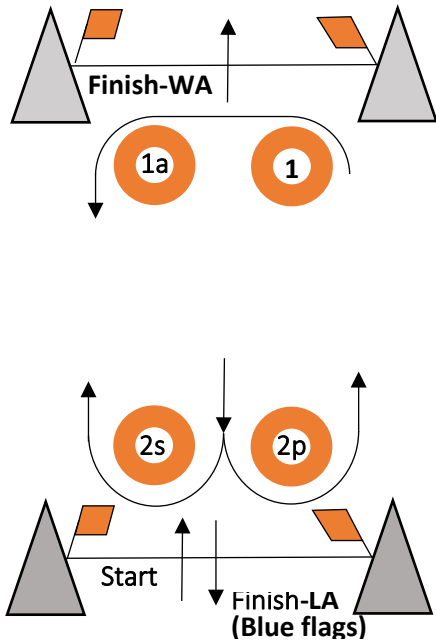
- 7.1 The class flag is a A Scow insignia on a white background.

8 Racing Area

- 8.1 NOR Addendum B shows the racing area.

9 Courses

9.1 The diagrams below show the courses and including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.



Course WA - Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Windward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
WA2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - Finish
WA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - Finish
WA4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - Finish
WA5	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - Finish

Course LA - Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Leeward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
LA2	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p 1 - 1a - Finish
LA3	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a- Finish
LA4	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish
LA5	Start - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - 2s/2p - 1 - 1a - Finish

9.2 No later than the warning

signal, the race committee vessel will display the course to be sailed.

9.3 If only one windward or leeward mark is present, a boat shall round the remaining mark, leaving it to port.

10 Marks

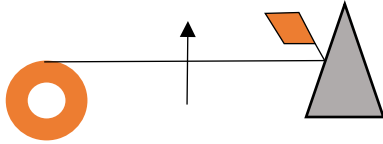
10.1 Marks and Change Marks will be large orange balls.

11 The Start

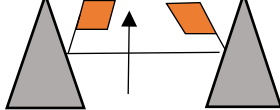
11.1 The start will be governed by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

11.2 The starting line will be:

- 11.2.1 Between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark or



- 11.2.2 Between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel on the starboard end of the starting line and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end of the starting line or



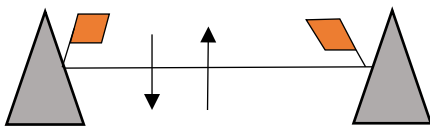
- 11.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 11.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number on VHF 72. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress or hearing request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.5 RRS 29.1 is changed as follows: '...with one sound. Additionally, as soon as practicable, the Race Committee will hail via the competitor VHF channel the list of boats identified that shall comply with RRS 30.1 and/or RRS 30.2. The flag...' This changes RRS 29.1.
- 11.6 RRS 30.1 is changed as follows: '...an extension *or around any mid-line boat in place, leaving it to port, before starting.*' This changes RRS 30.1.
- 11.7 RRS 30.3 and 30.4 add: "Additionally, the Race Committee may hail via the competitor VHF channel the list of boats identified as breaking RRS 30.3 or 30.4." This changes RRS 30.3 and 30.4.

12 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

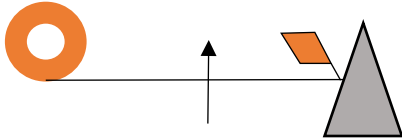
- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable in accordance with RRS 33.
- 12.2 RRS 33 adds: "(d) Course bearing changes less than 5 degrees made before any boat begins the leg may be made without signaling. This changes RRS 33.

13 The Finish

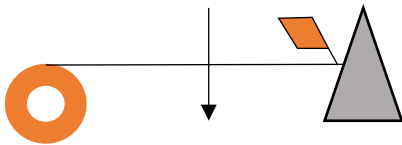
- 13.1 The finishing line will be between two staffs displaying orange flags on race committee vessels. This changes Race signals



- 13.2 If only one orange flag is displayed, for an upwind finish, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark. This changes race signals.



- 13.3 If only one orange flag is displayed, for a downwind finish, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark. This changes race signals.



- 13.4 Code Flag “A” displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing indicates “no more racing today.”
- 13.5 Code Flag “H” displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing indicates “racing will continue after a break ashore.”
- 13.6 Neither Code Flag “A” nor Code Flag “H” displayed while boats are finishing indicates that another race will follow.

14 Penalty System

- 14.1 The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is changed to read: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or Rule 31 in an incident while *racing*.” This changes RRS 44.1.
- 14.2 RRS 44.2 is changed to add after the first sentence: “However, if Mark 1a (offset) is set, a boat may take a penalty for an incident in the zone around Mark 1 or on the leg between Mark 1 and Mark 1a, as soon as possible after leaving the zone around Mark 1a.”
- 14.3 Appendix T applies as changed in the Notice of Race.

15 Time Limits

- 15.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
<i>20 Minutes</i>	<i>90 Minutes</i>	<i>20 Minutes</i>

- 15.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16 Hearing Requests

- 16.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of the day or

the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

16.2 Hearing request forms:

16.2.1 Are available from the race office or;

16.2.2 May be submitted online at bit.ly/SailHearing.

16.3 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. Unless otherwise posted, hearings will be held in the Optimist Shed, located at Lighthouse Island or virtually via Zoom or a similar meeting application.

17 Scoring

17.1 The scoring system is RRS Appendix A as modified below.

17.2 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series

17.3 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

18 Safety Regulations

18.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19 Support Teams

19.1 [DP] Coaches, spectators, family members, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.

20 Trash Disposal

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

21 Berthing

21.1 [NP][DP] There are no restrictions on hauling boats out of the water, but boats may not be stored ashore at Minnetonka Yacht Club/Carson's Bay without permission of the Organizing Authority.