

2024 NCASA Annual Championship

Organizing Authority – National Class A Scow Association
Thursday, June 20, 2024 – Sunday, June 23, 2024

Headquarters

Lake Geneva Yacht Club

Fontana. Wisconsin

Notice of Race

(2024-04-06)

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 more or less than a single disqualification.

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 [DP] NCASA Bylaws, Policies, and Support Person Rules, available at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16652 after June 1, 2024 shall apply.
- 1.3 [DP] The Class Rules can be found online at https://www.ascow.org/documents/.
- 1.4 In addition to other rules changed in this document, the following racing rules are changed:
- 1.4.1 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.
- 1.4.2 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.
- 1.4.3 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.
- 1.4.4 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.
- 1.4.5 RRS 35 adds: If a finishing window is described in the NOR boats not finishing within the finishing window will be scored by the Race Committee as TLE. TLE will be two points more than the points for the last boat that sailed the course and finished prior to the finishing window closing. This changes RRS 35.
- 1.4.6 RRS 41 adds: "(e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery." This changes RRS 41.
- 1.4.7 RRS 44.1 is changed in class A Scow: 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 in an incident while racing." This changes RRS 44.1.
- 1.4.8 RRS 60.1 adds: (d) not protest another boat or request redress for a rule with the notation [NP]. This changes RRS 60.1
- 1.4.9 RRS 63.1 adds after withdrawn: "or is based on a rule with the notation [NP]. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 1.4.10 RRS 78.1 replaces "While a boat is racing," with "From the time of arrival through all periods while racing,".
- 1.4.11 RRS A5 adds: "A5.4 A boat that is scored TLE by the Race committee shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats that finished. This changes RRS A5.
- 1.4.12 RRS A10 adds: TLE Finishing Window Time Limit Expired. This changes RRS A10.
- 1.4.13 RaceSense
 - 1.4.13.1 The Vakaros RaceSense system will be utilized by the Race Committee. This changes RRS 41(c)
 - 1.4.13.2 Each boat shall have a working Vakaros Atlas 2 configured for RaceSense at check-in, which shall be mounted within 6 inches of the aft side of the mast at all times while racing. Each boat shall either provide a working Atlas 2 at check-in for configuration with RaceSense, or an Atlas 2 will be available for rental to any boat that does not have one available.
 - 1.4.13.3 RaceSense information is available to all boats.
 - 1.4.13.4 Failure of an Atlas 2 or the RaceSense system shall not be grounds for a request for redress by a boat or the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 60.1(b), 60.3(b), and 63.1.]
- 1.5 The Sailing Instructions may change additional Rules.

2 Sailing Instructions

2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available after June 8, 2024, at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16652

3 Communication

- 3.1 The official notice board is located at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16652.
- 3.2 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 designated adult's information on file. Failure to receive these messages shall not be grounds for redress.
- 3.3 [DP] All Boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on VHF channels 16, 68, 69, 72, and 74.
- 3.4 [DP] While Racing, except in an emergency, a boat or support person shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 Eligibility and Entry

- 4.1 The event is open to boats of the A Scow Class whose helmsperson is a member in good standing of the NCASA.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16652

- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements, and pay all fees and complete onsite check-in.
- 4.4 Late entries will be accepted with payment of all required late fees.

5 Fees

5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

Entry Fee Until June 1, 2024	Entry fee after June 1, 2024 and until onsite registration	Entry fee onsite
\$ 550	\$ 650	\$ 750

5.2 Other fees

- 5.2.1 [NP] Meals and soft goods will be available for purchase upon online registration—late social tickets may not be available. All Social fees should be paid w/ registration.
 - 5.2.3 Vakaros Atlas 2 will be available for rental for \$120 for those boats that need the device.

6 Crew Limitations

- 6.1 The following crew limitations apply:
 - 6.1.1 [NP] There will be no boats provided by the Organizing Authority or Host for crew changes.

7 Advertising

7.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

8 Additional Equipment

Boats may be required to carry additional equipment (such as equipment to run RaceSense) while racing. If additional equipment is required, notice will be given at least 14 days prior to the first day of racing.

9 Schedule

- 9.1 Online registration begins with the release of this NOR:
- 9.2 [NP][DP] Boats and competitors are permitted to arrive at Lake Geneva Yacht Club on Thursday, June 20, 2024. Upon arrival and throughout the event, follow all traffic signs and follow any reasonable request from the logistics team, organizing authority, or race management team.
- 9.3 Dates of racing:

Racing Begins	Racing Ends
Friday, June 21, 2024	Sunday, June 23, 2024

9.4 Number of races

Scheduled Number of Races	Maximum Races in a Day
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6	2

- 9.5 [NP] Failure for a race to meet the target time shall not be grounds for a request for redress.
- 9.6 The competitors' briefing will be:

VHF Channel	Date/Time	
74	0930 Friday, June 21, 2024	

9.7 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is

Time	Date
1100	Friday, June 21, 2024

- 9.8 On subsequent days, the warning signal may be earlier.
- 9.9 The Sailing Instructions will define the process for the publication of the subsequent race schedule.
- 9.10 If 3 races have been completed on the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1200. If fewer than 3 races have been completed, no warning signal will be made after 1300.

10 Venue

- 10.1 The onsite locations of the event are Lake Geneva Yacht Club and any official party location.
- 9.2 The sailing area is Lake Geneva

11 Courses

11.1 The courses will be windward/leeward courses.

12 Penalty System

- 12.1 Appendix T applies as changed below:
- 12.1.1 RRS T1(b) is changed as follows: "A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty or 50% of the points between a boat's finishing position and the number of entries, whichever is less, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, Rule 44.1(a) applies. 12.2 Appendix V2 applies as changed below:
 - 12.2.1 RRS V2(b) is changed as follows: "A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty or 50% of the points between a boat's finishing position and the number of entries, whichever is less, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, Rule 44.1(a) applies.
- 12.3 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."
- 13 Scoring The scoring system shall be RRS Appendix A, except that no score shall be

13.1 The following races are required to constitute a series:

Class	Races Required
A Scow	1

13.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14 Support Person Vessels

14.1 No accommodation will be made for launching, retrieving, or storing support person vessels.

15 Berthing

15.1 [DP][NP] Boats stored at Lake Geneva Yacht Club shall be kept in their assigned places at Lake Geneva Yacht Club.

16 Vehicle Parking

- 16.1 [NP][DP] Vehicles are only permitted to park as directed by LGYC parking staff.
- 16.2 [NP][DP] Vehicles may be required to park off the LGYC grounds as directed by LGYC parking staff.

17 Risk Statement

- 17.1 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and, therefore, inherently involves an element of risk. Competitors and support persons participate in the event entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue racing is hers alone." By taking part in the event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:
- 17.1.1 They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.
- 17.1.2 They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property while afloat or ashore;
- 17.1.3 They accept responsibility for any injury, damage, or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- 17.1.4 By participating in any race, they are satisfied that their boat is in good order, complies with the class rules, is equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate. 17.1.5 The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 17.1.6 The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances. 17.1.7 It is their responsibility to familiarize themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for that venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event.

18 Insurance

18.1 [NP][DP]Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

19 Prizes

- 19.1 Prizes will be given as follows:
 - 19.1.1 The top 5 finishers.
 - 19.1.2 All perpetual trophies will be awarded as directed by the NCASA

20 Amendments to the Notice of Race

- 20.1 This NOR may be changed.
- 20.2 Changes to the NOR will be posted to (insert YS bulletin board)

21 Further information

21.1 For further information, contact NCASA Executive Director, Todd Haines-414-881-4119 or v115@mailbag.com.

Addendum A - Venue



Addendum B - Racing Area

