



NATIONAL BUTTERFLY ASSOCIATION

2016 JUNIOR & OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

July 12 - 14 — White Lake — Whitehall, Michigan



Organized by — National Butterfly Association (NBA)
Hosted by — White Lake Yacht Club (WLYC)

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 - Rules** — the regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 2 - Notices To Competitors** — will be posted on the official notice board located in front of the WLYC.
- 3 - Changes to Sailing Instructions** — Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than ninety (90) minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal of the day, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hrs on the day before it will take effect.
- 4 - Signals Made Ashore** —
 - 4.1 - Signals made ashore will be displayed in front of the WLYC.
 - 4.2 - When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'thirty (30) minutes'. This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

5 - Schedule Of Races —

DAY	DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION
Tuesday	12th	Check-in & Late Registration	1400 - 1800	
		Practice Race	1600	
Wednesday	13th	Check-in & Late Registration - Juniors	0730 - 0830	
		Check-in & Late Registration - Open	0730 - 1200	
		Competitors Meeting - Juniors	0830	WLYC – Upstairs in Ballroom
		First Warning - Juniors	1000	
		Competitors Meeting - Open	TBA*	WLYC – Upstairs in Ballroom
		First Warning - Open	TBA*	
Thursday	14th	First Warning - Juniors	0930	
		First Warning - Open	TBA*	
		Awards Ceremony — ASAP after racing.		

* Open Class racing will take place following the Junior races each day. Times will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

- 6 - Class Flag** — will be a black Butterfly on a yellow background.
- 7 - Racing Area** — will be White Lake, located in Muskegon County near Whitehall, Michigan.
- 8 - The Courses** — will be as follows (see Attachment 3) and will be signaled by flag and/or sign board on the RC Signal Boat prior to or with the warning signal for each race.
 - 8.1 - Windward/Leeward - consisting of 3 or 4 legs and signaled by sign board and/or flags '3' or '4'.
 - 8.2 - Triangle - consisting of 5 legs (triangle, windward, leeward) and signaled by sign board and/or flag 'T'.
 - 8.2 - All marks shall be rounded to port, except in the case of a leeward gate (8.4) and courses 4 & T Finish Mark.
 - 8.3 - An Offset Mark (Mk Os) may be used at the Weather Mark (Mk W) when it is followed by a leeward leg.
 - 8.4 - A Leeward Gate (Mks Ls & Lp) may be used at the end of a leeward leg. When used, boats shall sail between the marks and round either mark. (see Attachment 1)
 - 8.5 - Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 9 - Marks** —
 - 9.1 - Primary marks W, L(Ls/Lp), & R will be large orange cylinder.
 - 9.2 - The windward offset mark, Os, will be a small orange round.
 - 9.3 - Changing marks, as in SI 10, will be small yellow round.
 - 9.4 - The start mark will be 4' Orange Cylinder.
 - 9.5 - The finish mark will be a 3' Orange Cylinder.

10 - The Start —

- 10.1 - The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark at the port end. The line will be located to leeward of the leeward mark(s).
- 10.2 - An automated horn system will be used for all starts. All warning signals will be preceded by a series of 'short toots' one (1) minute prior to. (This will also accompany AP down and General Recall down.)
- 10.3 - Individual and general recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29. The following are not grounds for redress: failure of committee to hail any or all boats; failure of committee to accurately hail one or more boats; failure of a boat to hear its hail; timeliness of the hail; or the order of boats within the hail.
- 10.4 - Any boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).

11 - Change Of The Next Leg Of The Course — 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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12 - The Finish —

- 12.1 - For Course 3, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and the course side of the nearby finishing mark at the port end and will be located to windward of the weather mark.
- 12.2 - For courses '4' & 'T' the finishing line will be reversed with the RC boat on the port end and the finish mark on the starboard end and will be located to leeward of the leeward mark(s). See Attachment 2.

13 - Time Limits — this changes RRS 35 and A4.

- 13.1 - The time limit for any race will be sixty (60) minutes.
- 13.2 - Boats not finishing within twenty (20) minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) and will receive one more point than the last boat to finish.
- 13.3 - If no boat has reached the first mark within twenty (20) minutes, the race will be abandoned.

14 - Protests and Requests For Redress —

- 14.1 - Protests forms will be available at the Official Notice Board and shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.2 - The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the RC boat docks. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 14.3 - Notices will be posted within thirty (30) minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the WLSS Sailing Room.
- 14.4 - On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered —
 - a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day or
 - b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.This changes RRS 66.

15 - Scoring — (this applies to both the Junior and Open Championships)

- 15.1 - Six (6) races are scheduled for each division of which one (1) race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 - When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS App A2.

16 - Safety Regulations — A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area shall notify the RC by hailing any RC boat or by notifying RC personnel at the WLYC.

17 - Equipment and Measurement Checks — Equipment may be checked at any time prior to the end of the protest period for the last race for compliance with the NBA Rules, at the direction of the NBA.

18 - Prizes — will be awarded to 1st – 10th places for Junior Skippers and Crew, 1st – 5th for Open Skippers, 1st Female Junior & Open Skipper, 1st in Tune-up Race plus perpetual trophies.

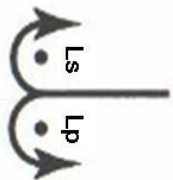
19 - Disclaimer Of Liability — Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20 - Insurance — Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

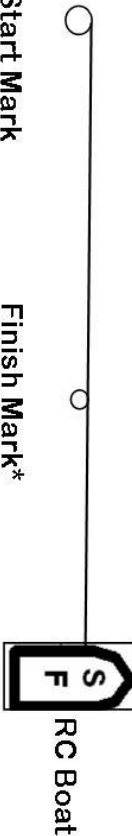
PRO — Eric Lind (231-218-3700) Regatta Co-Chairs — Kerry Hearn-Smith & Sara Seymour

Attachment 1 — GATE MARK ROUNDING

When there is a gate at Mark L, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either mark.




Attachment 2 — Start/Finish Line

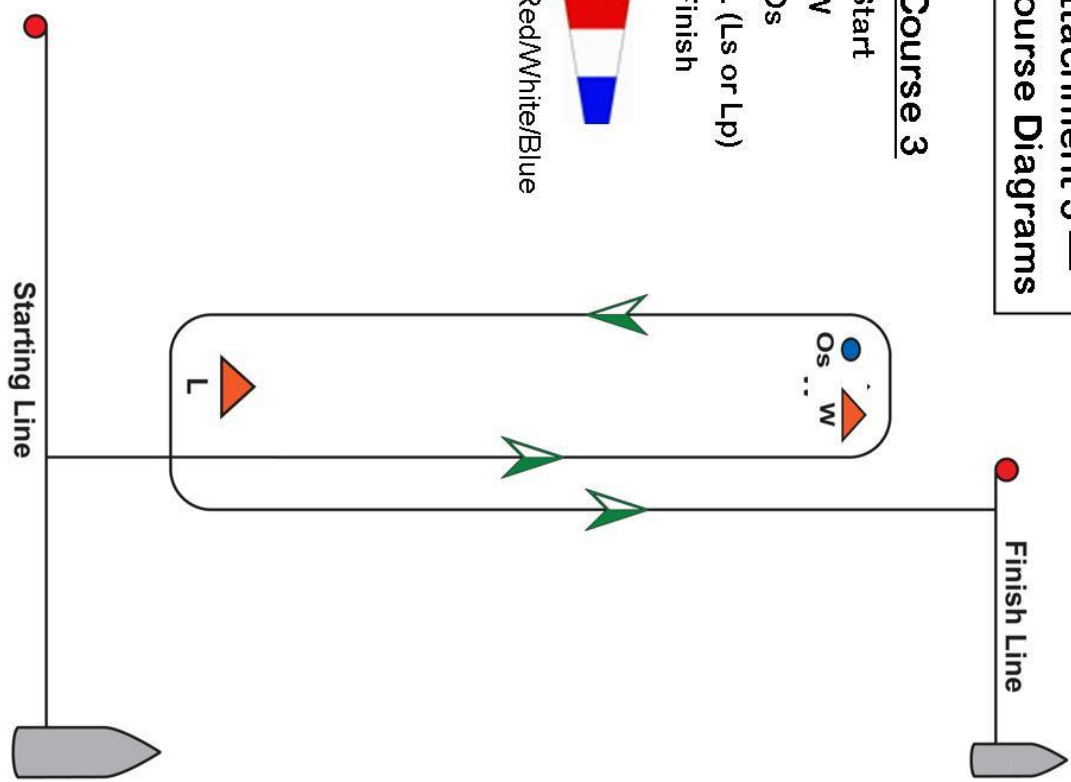


* at the start, the finish mark, if present, is not a mark of the course.


Attachment 3 — Course Diagrams

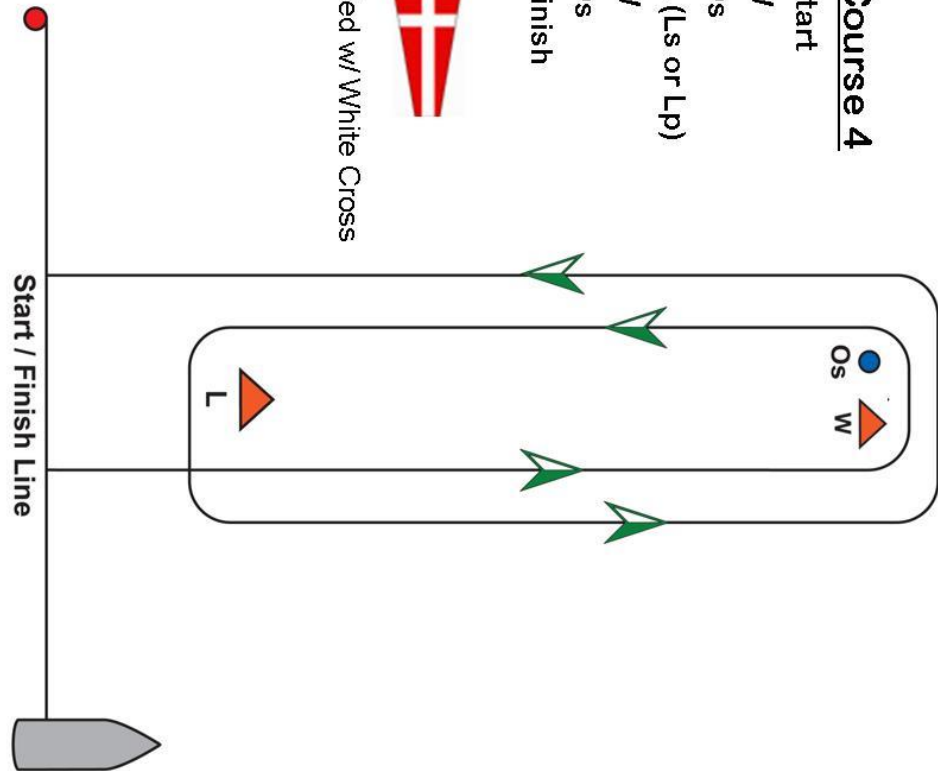
Course 3

- Start
 - W
 - Os
 - L (Ls or Lp)
 - Finish
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- Red/White/Blue



Course 4

- Start
 - W
 - Os
 - L (Ls or Lp)
 - W
 - Os
 - Finish
- 
- Red w/ White Cross



Attachment 3 - Course Diagrams, cont.

