



2018 Beneteau First 36.7 North American Championship

Bayview Yacht Club // September 06 - 09, 2018



Beneteau 36.7 North American Championship Bayview Yacht Club, Detroit, Michigan

September 6-9, 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS^{v1}

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Beneteau 36.7 Class Rules (CR).
- 1.2 The following rules are changed:
 - 35 see SI
 - 60.1 (b) see SI 17.5
 - 62 see SI 28.3
 - 62.2 and 66 see SI 17.6
 - A2 see SI 18.2
 - A4 & A5 see SI 16.2 and 18.3
 - Race Signals see SI 4.2

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be electronic on [yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=4777): <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?elD=4777> Posted notices will be emailed to all competitors.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Bayview Yacht Club and broadcast on VHF 71.
- 4.2 At 0900 each day the Race Committee will signal with one sound and announce on VHF 71 a Harbor Start. Postponement or abandonment may be signaled instead of the Harbor Start and announced on VHF 71. If the AP (postponement) signal is displayed ashore, the first warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after the AP is lowered. This modifies RRS-Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Races are scheduled to be sailed on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 7, 8 and 9, 2019.
- 5.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal each day is 1100.

- 5.3 A maximum of 9 races are scheduled.
- 5.4 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1430.
- 5.5 Flag A displayed with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

6 BOAT IDENTIFICATION

At all times during the regatta, boats shall display bow numbers supplied by the Organizing Authority. The top of the bow number will be within 6" of the deck and the forward edge of the bow number will be within 12" of the bow.

7 CLASS FLAG

Will be the Beneteau 36.7 class insignia.

8. RACING AREA

Will be in the waters of Lake St. Clair in the vicinity of 42°21.71' N, 082° 52.053' W, which is approximately 2.25 nm from the Peche Island Range Rear Light (F 115 ft PA) on a compass heading of 085°. The Race Committee signal boat will announce their position on VHF 71 when on station in the starting area.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 Courses will be windward/leeward, 4 or 5 legs, with marks left to port. An offset mark may be set at the windward mark. If no offset is in place, boats shall round the single windward mark. A leeward mark will be set to windward of the starting line. The leeward mark may be a gate. If no gate is in place, the single leeward mark should be rounded to port. The leeward mark or gate is not part of legs 1,3 and 4 on a 4 leg course; and is not part of legs 1, 3 and 5 on a 5 leg course.
- 9.2 A course board will display the number of legs and the approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles to the windward mark. For example, "4" would indicate 4 legs: windward, leeward, windward and finish to leeward at the Race Committee Signal Boat.

10 MARKS

Marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

11 THE START

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat, or the course side of an inflatable mark, at the Pin end.

12 RECALLS

Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee may attempt to hail and/or broadcast, on VHF 71 the recalled boat's bow or sail number, but is under no obligation to do so. Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification shall not relieve her of the obligation to start correctly and shall not be grounds for redress.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 In the event of a windward mark change during a race, the new windward mark will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 13.2 In the event the leeward mark, or gate, or finish line is changed, the original marks will be moved.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The leeward finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a nearby inflatable mark on the opposite side of the Race Committee Signal Boat from the starting line. The leeward finish line will be to leeward of the leeward mark or gate.
- 14.2 A windward finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the windward mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 US Sailing prescription Appendix V will apply. This Appendix V will be posted on the website.

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 A race in which no boat has finished within 2.5 hours after the start, will be abandoned.
16.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk in the Trophy Room at Bayview Yacht Club. Protests, and requests for redress or reopening, shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
17.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the docking time of the Signal Boat after the last race of the day.
17.3 Notices will be posted to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room on the second floor of the BYC Clubhouse as soon as possible thereafter.
17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee, or international jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
17.5 Breaches of instructions 6, 21, 22, 24, 25, 27 and 28 will not be grounds for protest by a competitor.
17.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress or reopening a protest hearing shall be delivered:
(a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
(b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on that day.
17.7 Decisions of the international jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 One completed race will constitute a regatta.
18.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion.
18.3 Boats scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) will be scored two points more than the number of finishers, but will not be scored worse than DNF.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Prior to the first warning signal each day, each boat is required to check in by passing the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her bow number.
19.2 Boats retiring from a race or leaving and returning to the racing area shall inform the race committee on VHF 71 as soon as possible.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors or lost or damaged equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee and in compliance with CR.

21 BERTHING, EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 Boats will be assigned a docking position at the BYC marina, which must be used for the entire event.
21.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with CR and the Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or technical committee, to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 EVENT ADVERTISING

Subject to World Sailing (WS) Regulation 20, boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the Organising Authority. If this rule is broken WS regulation 20.9 applies.

23 OFFICIAL BOATS

Race committee boats will display a blue "RC" flag.

24 SUPPORT BOATS

Coach and support boats will stay outside of areas where boats are racing from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

25.1 See rule 55.

25.2 Michigan law prohibits the discharge of sewage from yachts.

26 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

26.1 Except for any specific exception granted by the race committee, all entered boats shall be in the water continuously from 1200 Thursday, September 6 for the duration of the event.

26.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the race committee. In the case of an emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.

27 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent, shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal for the first race and the end of the regatta.

28 RADIO COMMUNICATION

28.1 Except in an emergency, boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications that are not available to all boats.

28.2 Race committee will communicate with competitors on VHF channel 71.

28.3 The race committee intends to use VHF radio to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS calls and other race related information. Failure to broadcast or failure of a boat to hear broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress.

29 PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the top five boats. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

30 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.

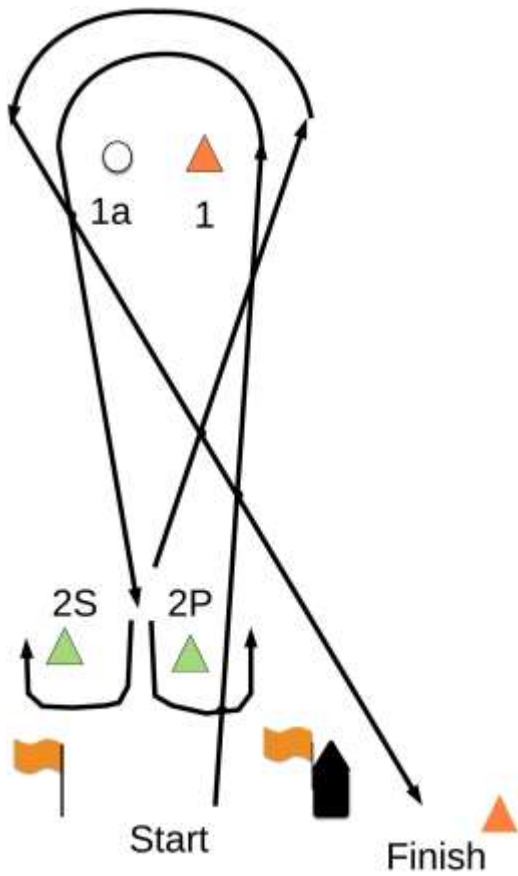
31 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US\$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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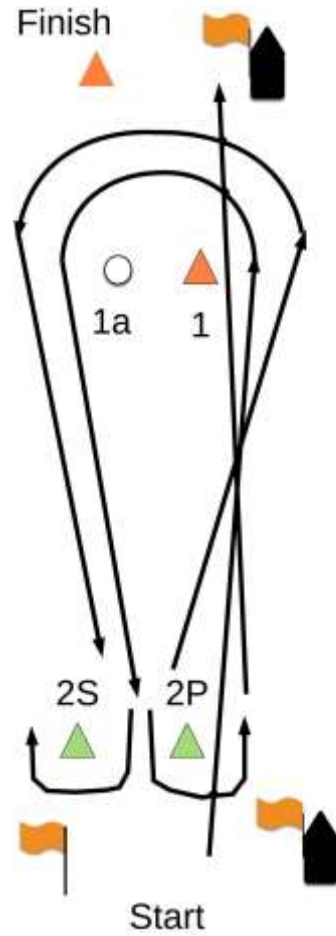
Principal Race Officer: Dick Neville: rneville@innovprop.com

Attachment A
 COURSE DIAGRAMS



COURSE 1

Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 1 – 1a –
 Finish



COURSE 2

Start – 1 – 1a – 2 – 1 – 1a – 2 –
 Finish