

2019 WOMEN'S FLORIDA STATE SUNFISH CHAMPIONSHIP

Organizing Authority: St. Petersburg Yacht Club

May 11, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Racing rule 61 will be changed to require a competitor to inform the race committee signal boat of his intention to protest, including the sail number of the protested boat immediately after finishing.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center. (SPSC)

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the Sunfish launch signal, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the night before the championship.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SPSC flagstaff.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, May 11	0800 – 0900	Registration and Check-in at SPSC Classroom
	0900	Competitors' Meeting in SPSC Classroom
	1000	First warning of the day
		Lunch on the water
		Trophies and Post Race Snacks following the last race

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag for the regatta will be Yellow Flag.

7. RACING AREAS

The racing area will be east of the St. Petersburg Municipal Pier.

8. COURSES

8.1 Addendum A shows the course diagrams, the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the course, course bearing and approximate distance to the first mark will be displayed on a board on the race committee signal boat.

9. MARKS

9.1 The starting/finish pin will be an orange ball. Marks 1 and 2 will be yellow tetrahedrons.

9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11 will be an orange ball.

10. STARTS

10.1 Races will be started using rule 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on race committee signal boat at the starboard end of the line and the course side of the starting pin at the port end.

10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4 and A5.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 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.

11.2 Changes in direction and length will be signaled according to rule 33 (a), (b) and (c).

11.3 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

12. FINISHES

The finish line will be between the finishing mark (orange ball) and a staff bearing an orange flag on the race committee signal boat.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply. The penalty will be 2 places.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.

14.2 Boats failing to finish 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS

15.1 Protest forms will be available at the jury desk next to the official notice board.

15.2 Protests shall be delivered to the protest committee representative at the jury desk next to the official notice board no later than 30 minutes after the posted docking time of the race committee finish boat.

15.3 The protest notices required by RRS 63.2, and the notification of protests by the race committee required by RRS 61.1(b), will be posted on the official notice

board as soon as possible after a protest has been delivered, but no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit

15.4 Breaches of SI 4.2 and 17 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. Penalties shall be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes racing rule 60.1(a) and 64.1 (a).

16. SCORING

16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply, except that no score will be excluded unless five (5) races have been completed. This changes rule A2.

16.2 One race will constitute a regatta.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Each day before a boat is launched, a competitor shall sign out at the safety desk in the Sailing Center classroom. No later than 30 minutes after returning to the Sailing Center following racing, each competitor shall sign in at the safety desk in the Sailing Center classroom. Only competitors may sign in or out.

17.2 Before retiring from a race and leaving the racecourse, the race committee shall be notified by the competitor, the competitor's coach, or a safety person. If this is impossible, the competitor shall go to the safety coordinator's office on the second floor of the Sailing Center immediately upon arriving ashore and report their leaving the race course.

17.3 If the race committee signal boat displays flag L prior to a warning signal, each boat shall sail past the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.

17.4 Each competitor shall wear a properly fastened US Coast Guard Approved personal flotation device from dock to dock, except for brief periods while changing clothing. This replaces RRS 40.

17.5 Boats that break any part of SI 17 will receive, without a hearing, a 5-place scoring penalty as described in rule 44.3(c). This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

18.1 Random equipment and measurement checks may be made throughout the regatta at the direction of the race committee.

18.2 Substitution for damaged equipment requires the approval of the race committee. Safety Boat(s) will radio for the approval.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

19.1 All support boats, including coach boats, shall register with the organizing authority.

19.2 Coach/support boats shall carry a working VHF radio and monitor the race on channel 63.

19.3 Support boats may be required to display a flag.

20 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as per the Notice Of Race.

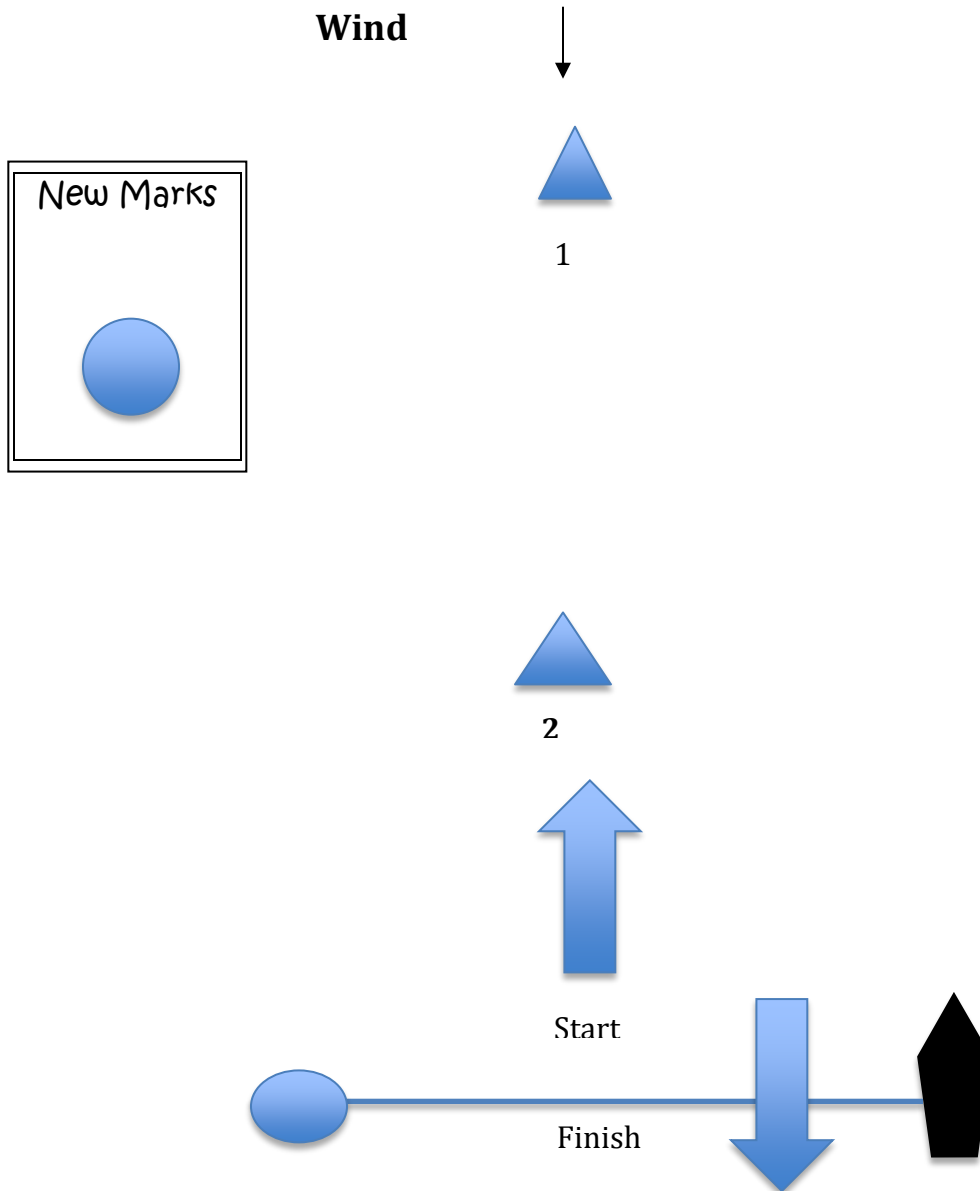
21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, the sponsors, the race committee, officers and board of directors of SPYC, and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after this regatta.

21.2 Parents/guardians of competitors, who are under 18 years of age, must sign a legal waiver of liability during registration.

21.3 Competitors 18 years of age and older shall sign a waiver of liability during registration.

Appendix A
Windward-Leeward Course Diagram
(NOT TO SCALE)



COURSE
WINDWARD/LEEWARD
START -1p-2p-1p- FINISH