

# National Class **A** Scow Association

## 8<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL A SCOW NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

21-23 JUNE 2013

NATIONAL CLASS A SCOW ASSOCIATION

LAKE GENEVA YACHT CLUB - FONTANA, WI

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The class rules of National A Scow Class Association (NCASA) will apply.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply.

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the window at the Northwest entrance to the clubhouse.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 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 from the RC signal boat that is docked at the waterfront boat slip.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes Race Signals.

#### 5 SCHEDULE

##### 5.1

|                     |  |                 |
|---------------------|--|-----------------|
| Thursday<br>June 21 | Registration   | 1500-<br>2000   |
|                     | Sailing Smarter<br>Discussion - with Buddy<br>Melges | 1900            |
|                     |  |                 |
| Friday June<br>22   | Competitor's Meeting                                 | 0900            |
|                     | First warning<br>Further Races to follow             | 1030            |
|                     |  |                 |
|                     | Post race party (hosted)                             | 1700            |
|                     |  |                 |
| Saturday<br>June 23 |  |                 |
|                     | First warning<br>Further Races to follow             | 1030            |
|                     | Cocktails (no host)                                  | 1800            |
|                     | Dinner   | 1900            |
|                     |  |                 |
| Sunday<br>June 24   |  |                 |
|                     | First warning<br>Further Races to follow             | 1030            |
|                     | No Warning signal after                              | 1400            |
|                     | Lunch/Awards   | After<br>racing |

5.2 The series will be six (6) races.

5.3 As many races as possible will be sailed each day.

5.4 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with

one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flag will be the letter A on a white background..

## 7 RACING AREAS

- 7.1 Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

## 8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment B illustrate the some of the courses.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course, approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

Example:

|            |  |   |
|------------|--|---|
| <b>5</b>   |  | <i>Course</i>   |
| <b>300</b> |  | <i>Approximate magnetic bearing to Mark 1</i>           |
| <b>1.5</b> |  | <i>Approximate distance to Mark 1. (nautical miles)</i> |

**Course 3: (3 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - Finish (Upwind) - not illustrated in attachment B**

**Course 4:(4 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Finish (Downwind)**

**Course 5:(5 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- Finish (Upwind)**

**Course 6:(6 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)-1-1a- Finish (Downwind)**

**Course 7:(7 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1-1a-Gate(2S/2P) -Finish (Upwind)**

**Course 8:(8 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)-1-1a- Finish (Downwind)**

**Course 9:(9 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1-1a- Gate(2S/2P) -Finish (Upwind)**

**Course 10:(10 Legs) Start - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P) - 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)- 1 - 1a - Gate (2S/2P)-1-1a- Finish (Downwind)**

- 8.3 Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port. Mark 1a is an offset mark and will be positioned to port of Mark 1.

8.4 Gate Marks:

- (a) If only one Gate mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to port.
- (b) Except when there is a change of course, the Gate will be positioned approximately to windward of the RC Signal Boat.
- (c) The Gate may be laid after the starting signal.

- 8.5 Except when there is a change of course:
- (a) the finish for course 4, 6, 8, and 10 will be to leeward of the Gate; and
- (b) the finish for courses 3, 5, 7, and 9 will be to windward of Mark 1.

## 9 MARKS

|                            |                        |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 - Original Windward mark | Orange ball            |
| 1A - Offset mark           | Orange ball            |
| 1 - Change Windward mark   | Orange ball            |
| 2S -2P -Leeward gate marks | Orange ball            |
| Start/Finish mark          | RC boat or Orange Ball |

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules 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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

**12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark.

**13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

**14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at the Club's office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.
- 14.3 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. Hearings will be held as directed by the protest committee, location and time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.6 Breaches of instructions 10.3 and 18, will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

- 14.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

- 14.8 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

**15 SCORING**

- 15.1 The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will be used except that no scores will be excluded. This modifies RRS A2.
- 15.2 One (1) raced is required to be complete to constitute a series. This changes the NOR, single fleet.

**16 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 16.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 16.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

**17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

**18 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 18.1 The RC will use VHF radio to communicate to the fleet. Failure to make this broadcasts or failure to hear the broadcast shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.1.
- 18.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**19 PRIZES**

- 19.1 Prizes will be given as follows: Top ten (10) finishers, the top finisher of the hull built prior to 1992, and the top finisher of the hull prior to 2002.
- 19.2 Additional prizes may be given at the discretion of the organizing authority.

**20 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.

**21 INSURANCE**

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



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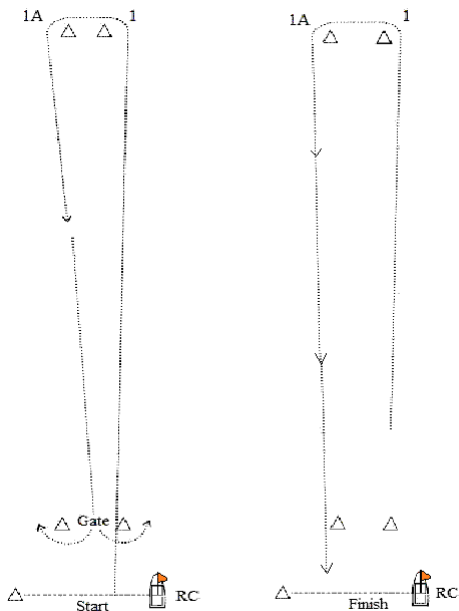
Attachment A  
Racing Area - Lake Geneva



## Attachment B

Course 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 – not illustrated

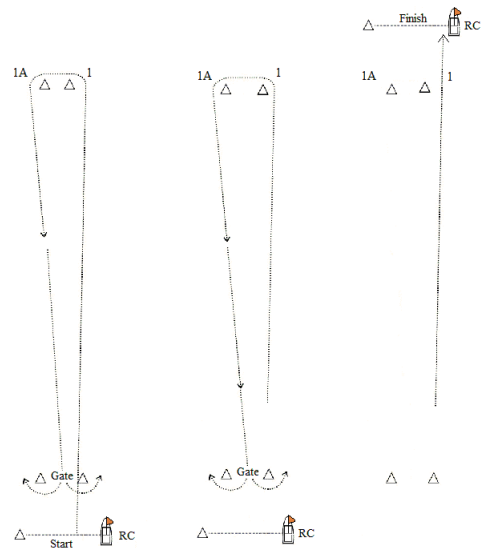
### COURSE 4



Start – 1 – 1A – Gate (2S/2P) – 1 – 1A –  
Finish

Start – Finish may be between either the RC  
boat displaying an orange flag and a nearby  
mark  
or  
between two RC boats each displaying an  
orange flag.

### COURSE 5



Start – 1 – 1A – Gate (2S/2P) – 1 – 1A –  
Gate (2S/2P) - Finish

Start – Finish may be between either the RC  
boat displaying an orange flag and a nearby  
mark  
or  
between two RC boats each displaying an  
orange flag.