



Corinthian Yacht Club of Philadelphia

One Design Club Championship Series 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 (RRS) including the prescriptions of US Sailing except as modified by these Sailing Instructions
- 1.2. If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, these Sailing Instructions shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.3. All competitors should comply with their respective National Class rules.
- 1.4. However, if a boat breaks one or more Class Rules she shall not be penalized unless there is evidence that such rules were willfully broken with the intent of gaining an advantage in a race or series, in which case, she shall be considered to have broken RRS 2, *Fair Sailing*, and will be disqualified from all races in which such rules were broken.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices concerning any changes to the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions will be emailed to the fleet and posted on an official notice board, if and when there is a change, no later than 1700 on each day of racing. The official notice board will be located in the vicinity of transit to the docks.(under the outside stairs or on the porthole room door).

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Signals may be displayed on the yardarm whenever practical to indicate postponement or abandonment no earlier than one (1) hour before the scheduled warning signal.
- 3.2. When the flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- 3.3. When Flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat (all competitors shall wear PFDs while racing).

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1. Dates of Racing

Spring Series

April 26, 2017
May 3, 2017
May 10, 2017
May 17, 2017
May 24, 2017
May 31, 2017
June 7, 2017

First race of the series, two races scheduled
Second race of the series, two races scheduled
Third race of the series, two races scheduled
Fourth race of the series, two races scheduled
Fifth race of the series, two races scheduled
Sixth race of the series, two races scheduled
LAY DAY – FUN RACES MAY BE RUN

Summer I Series

June 14, 2017
June 21, 2017
June 28, 2017
July 5, 2017
July 12, 2017
July 19, 2017
July 26, 2017
August 2, 2017

First race of the series, two races scheduled
Second race of the series, two races scheduled
Third race of the series, two races scheduled
LAY DAY – FUN RACES MAY BE RUN
Fourth race of the series, two races scheduled
Fifth race of the series, two races scheduled
Sixth race of the series, two races scheduled
LAY DAY – FUN RACES MAY BE RUN

Summer II Series

August 9, 2017
August 16, 2017
August 23, 2017
August 30, 2017
September 6, 2017
September 13, 2017

First race of the series, two races scheduled
Second race of the series, two races scheduled
Third race of the series, two races scheduled
Fourth race of the series, two races scheduled
Fifth race of the series, two races scheduled
Sixth race of the series, two races scheduled (Start will be at

1750 hours)

Awards Presentation and Dinner at 1900 hours on Friday November 10, 2017

- 4.2. Number of Races: If conditions allow there will be a maximum of two (2) races each night of a series. The second race will be held as soon as possible after the finish of the first race.
- 4.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1800 hours unless otherwise noted on the schedule in 4.1.
- 4.4. At the discretion of the race committee, a third race may be run on nights when the weather and day light permit. If a third race is run, it will not be considered part of the Series or Club Championship.

5. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1. Each Class will have a flag displaying a class logo to be used as their warning signal

6. COURSES AND MARKS

- 6.1. The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses
- 6.2. Course designations will be displayed on a board on the race committee signal boat no later than the warning signal for each class
- 6.3. The number of laps will be indicated by a number following the course designation on the display board and may include fractional numbers to indicate a partial lap (for example a "W1½"- would indicated a Windward – Leeward – Windward).
- 6.4. All rounding marks will be left to port
- 6.5. The starting mark will be an orange or yellow mark (pin)
- 6.6. Rounding marks will be orange, yellow, or green tetrahedrons, except as provided in 6.8.
- 6.7. The finish mark will be an orange, yellow, or green shape, and for downwind finishes the finish mark will be on the opposite side of the RC boat from the starting mark
- 6.8. Vanguard 15 Only, - the RC may use a red ball for a mark of the V15 course. This will be either the windward or leeward mark. The RC will signal this intention with code flag numeral 1 (one - ~~white pennant with a red ball~~) no later than the preparatory signal. This in no way alters RRS 34.

7. THE START

- 7.1. Vanguard 15s will start according the sequence as follows:
 - Warning 3 long - 3 minutes
 - Preparatory 2 long - 2 minutes
 - 1 long, 3 short - 1 minute, 30 seconds
 - 1 long - 1 minute
 - 2 short - 30 seconds
 - 2 short - 20 seconds
 - 1 short - 10 seconds
 - 1 short - 5 seconds
 - 1 short - 4 seconds
 - 1 short - 3 seconds
 - 1 short - 2 seconds
 - 1 short - 1 second
 - Starting 1 long – 0
- 7.2. J-22 will be started by using rule 26.
- 7.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange or white flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the starting mark
- 7.4. Approximately 1 minute prior to the Warning Signal of each race, several short blasts of a horn will serve as an attention signal and indicate that the sequence is about to begin.
- 7.5. After removal of an AP flag (postponement), First Substitute flag (general recall), or N flag (abandonment), there may be approximately 1 minute until the start of the Pro-Start electronic timer sequence which is a series of several short blasts.
- 7.6. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races
- 7.7. All boats are required to check in with the race committee prior to the warning signal of the first race of the evening by sailing past the committee boat and hailing her sail number or bow number. There are no penalties associated with this rule, however it is important to comply for scoring and safety purposes.
- 7.8. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after the starting signal for their class shall be scored a DNS
- ~~7.9.~~ 7.9. The Race Committee may attempt to announce General and Individual Recalls on VHF Channel 72 or by hail as a courtesy. In all cases, Race Signals shall govern.

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8. THE FINISH

- 8.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange or white flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the finish mark.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. Boats that do not comply with the rules put forth in these sailing instructions will not be eligible to receive a score towards a Club Series or the Club Championship.
- 9.2. RRS Rules T1 will be in effect.

10. TIME LIMIT

- 10.1. The time limit shall be 45 minutes after the starting signal for each class. If no boat has sailed the course and finished within the time limit, then the race shall be abandoned.
- 10.2. Boats that have not finished within 10 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored a DNF. This changes RRS 35.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. Protest and redress requests shall be submitted to the Race Committee Chairman by 10pm the night of the race. This changes RRS 61.3 Additionally a competitor shall inform the Race Committee boat on station at the finish line of his/her intent to protest. . The Race Committee Chairman is Wesley McMichael (wtmcm2001@yahoo.com). If the Race Committee Chairman is an interested party in the protest, or absent, he shall appoint a non-interested member to hear the protest.
- 11.2. After receipt of a valid written protest, the Race Committee Chairman, or his appointee, will form a Protest Committee and inform all involved parties that a protest has been filed. The Protest Committee will request the protestee respond in writing, or through electronic communications, within a reasonable period of time. Communication will be via email unless requested otherwise. This changes -RRS 63.
- 11.3. If both the protestor and the protestee consent, the Protest Committee may elect to waive the requirement for a formal hearing, and proceed with hearing the protest through electronic or telephonic communication. This changes RRS 63.
- 11.4. If the Protest Committee determines that a decision cannot be made without a formal hearing then a time and place convenient to all involved will be scheduled (RRS 63.2)
- 11.5. It is encouraged that protests be discussed between the protestor and protestee prior to the formal protest submission deadline (11.1) with the intent of resolving the issue informally. If a mutual agreement is reached and accepted by the two parties for one of the parties to withdraw from the race or accept an alternative penalty under RRS T1, it shall be reported to the Race Committee whereupon the retirement or penalty will be noted on the daily scoring sheet.

12. SAFETY

- 12.1. The Vanguard 15 fleet shall at all times wear US Coast Guard approved personal flotation devices while racing.
- 12.2. All boats shall have the Class and Coast Guard required safety equipment on board at all times.
- 12.3. The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 72, and may monitor VHF channel 16 during an emergency. No other radio or mobile phone communications during a race will be allowed.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. For each series (Spring, Summer I and Summer II)
 - 13.1.1. the Low Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A4 will apply for each series
 - 13.1.2. Races will be scored as a Series Longer than a Regatta under RRS Appendix A9
 - 13.1.3. At least five (5) races are required to constitute a series
 - 13.1.4. When five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score

~~13.1.5.~~ When ten (10) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

13.1.5.

13.2. For the overall Club Championship, the US Sailing High Point Percentage System will be used.

13.2.1 RACES TO COUNT AND MINIMUM REQUIRED

The series will consist of the three series. To qualify for inclusion in the final championship series results a boat shall compete in at least 67 percent of the races completed.

13.2.2 RACE SCORES

Define 'N' to be the number of boats that compete in a particular race. Each boat finishing that race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified will be scored as follows:

<u>Finishing place</u>	<u>Score</u>
First	N
Second	N-1
Third	N-2
Fourth	N-3
Each place thereafter	Subtract 1 point

All other boats that compete in that race, including any that finish and thereafter retire or are disqualified, will score 0 points. Boats that do not compete in that race (DNC) will not be scored.

13.2.3 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP SCORES

The series score for each boat will be a percentage calculated as follows: divide the sum of her race scores by the sum of the points she would have scored if she had placed first in every race in which she competed; multiply the result by 100. The qualified boat with the highest series score is the winner, and others are ranked accordingly.

14. PRIZES

14.1. Prizes will be awarded in a series to each class as follows:

- 14.1.1. One prize for a class of three (3)
- 14.1.2. Two prizes for a class of four (4)
- 14.1.3. Three prizes for a class of six (6) or more

14.2. Prizes will be awarded for the Club Championship as follows:

- 14.2.1. One prize for a class of four (4)
- 14.2.2. Two prizes for a class of five (5)
- 14.2.3. Three prizes for a class of six (6) or more

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Competitors participate in the Regatta Series entirely at their own risk (RRS 4). The Corinthian Yacht Club of Philadelphia, The Organizing Authority and The Race Committee will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the Regatta Series.

16. INSURANCE

It is recommended that, each participating boat be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$100,000 per event or the equivalent.