



Hudson Yacht Club

Soling One Meter Sailing Instructions

Rules.

Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except where amended by these Sailing Instructions.

- All boats must conform to the one design class rules for the Soling 1 Meter class.
- All participants must be members in good standing of the Hudson Yacht Club and the Canadian Radio Yacht Racing Association (CRYA) and have a valid registered CRYA Sail number for their boat. A separate sail number is required for each individual boat.'
- Guest skippers may participate as guests of the HYC. Members may sign their guests in twice in one year.
- *Appendix E* which forms part of the *RRS* applies to Radio Controlled Sail Boats.

Race Schedule.

- All races will be sailed on their scheduled dates unless weather or conditions are prohibitive. In the event of prohibitive weather or conditions, races will not be re-sailed.
- In the event that the wind strength is less than 4 knots or greater than 15 knots, races may be cancelled. The decision will be made by a majority vote of sailor's present.
- All events may be sailed providing a minimum of three competitors are ready to sail.
- It is advisable to complete a maximum of six scored races on each race day.
- There shall be no scored race sequence started after 4.30 pm.
- All Monday and Thursday Series races shall start at 1.30 pm. Conditions permitting,

Fleet Championship series

- To qualify for the Fleet Championship any skipper must have sailed 60% of all scheduled races in either of the Monday or Thursday Series.
- There will be no dropped races. Participants are urged to request "Redress" if unfairly fouled.
- All skippers that qualify as above shall be allowed to participate in the Fleet Championship.
- All ties will be broken on the highest number of best scores.

Date of Fleet Championship.

The date of the Fleet Championship event shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

Basic Scoring.

The Low Point Scoring System will apply as follows.

1st = One point. 2nd = Two points. 3rd = Three points. Etc.

Boats that come to the starting area but *Did not start (DNS)*, *did not finish (DNF)*, *retired after finishing (RAF)* or were *disqualified (DSQ)* shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.

Boats that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place three more than

the number of boats than came to the starting area.

Dropped Races.

In the case of all Series, 40% of each competitor's races sailed will be dropped starting with the poorest score.

Notice to competitors.

The Official Notice Board will be located on the HYC website www.hudsonyachtclub.com. Copies of documents may, or may not, be placed on the HYC Clubhouse Notice Board located on the terrace.

Amendments, addendums or other notices issued just before a race will be posted on the HYC Clubhouse Notice Board. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check both notice boards for any amendments, addendums or other notices.

However, amendments, addendums or other notices issued just before a race that affect the course and the limits of the control and launching area(s) may be verbally announced within the control area.

Changes to instructions.

If written, changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before the beginning of racing for the day or after any lunch break on a Notice Board within the control area and their posting announced at a scheduled skippers' meeting.

Control and launching area.

The control and launching areas will be either on the T pier or the L pier unless otherwise advised at the event, and will be determined on the day of the event. In the early part of the season the control and launch area may be at the "inner harbor".

Signals.

Audible signals for starting a race shall be either at one minute or two-minute intervals and shall be a warning signal, a preparatory signal and a starting signal. During the minute before the starting signal, oral signals shall be made at ten-second intervals and during the final ten seconds at one-second intervals. Each signal shall be timed from the beginning of its sound. The Race Director will determine whether to use the one- or two-minute sequence.

Course.

The course will generally be in accord with APPENDIX A and may include a windward offset mark and a leeward gate.

The Race Director may change the course prior to the warning signal of any race.

Launching, holding and recovering boats.

(a) A boat scheduled to race may be launched, held on the bank, taken ashore or re-launched at any time during a race. However, she shall not be released between the preparatory and starting signals.

(b) Boats shall be launched or recovered only from within a launching area, except a boat that has gone ashore or aground outside the launching area, or become entangled with another boat or a mark, may be freed and re-launched only with outside help from a rescue boat crew.

(c) While ashore or within a launching area, boats may be adjusted drained of water or repaired; have their sails changed or reefed; have entangled objects removed; or have radio equipment repaired or changed.

(d) While racing a boat that becomes entangled with weeds may be brought ashore and have the weeds removed. It shall then be placed back into the water as close as possible to the point it was lifted from and gently released without any forward motion to the boat and continue racing. However, no adjustments of any kind may be made to the boat or rigging during such a stop.

Recalls.

Will be hailed or signaled by the Race Director. Failure to call a premature starter does not excuse the skipper from starting properly. It is the responsibility of each skipper to start properly. After a general recall, the new starting sequence will start as quickly as possible.

Delay the start.

Prior to the preparatory signal, a boat may ask the Race Director to delay the starting sequence for 5 minutes for the repair of a technical problem or breakdowns only. A boat may be granted only one such 5 minute 'hold' per day. When any such delay is granted, it will be announced and the starting tape will not commence until the expiration of five (5) minutes from the commencement of the delay. Other boats that are ready to sail prior to the request for the delay, are not subject to this limitation

Time limit.

The time limit for each heat shall be 15 minutes after the finish of the first boat. All boats that have not finished after the time limit expires shall be recorded as Did Not Finish (DNF). However, when it is possible to determine finish positions, the Race Committee, at its discretion, may request that any boat be sailed off of the course so as to allow the next race to commence. Such boat(s) will be given credit for its appropriate finish position.

Overlap at offset marks.

The overlap status (four boat length circle) at the mark continues to apply at any offset mark.

Penalty turn. 1 x 360

After getting well clear of other boats and as soon after the incident as possible, a boat that breaks a rule (boat on boat infraction, touching a mark etc. etc.) shall take a **One-turn penalty**.

A penalty turn shall include one tack and one jibe.

Redress.

If a boat, having right of way, becomes entangled with another boat or disabled, that skipper must immediately notify a Race Official. The Race Official will determine if the affected boat deserves redress for that race. If granted, the boat will be granted "Average Points for the day" for that race. The final decision for redress rests with the Race Director.

Race judges.

Race Judges, when used, have final authority for calling a foul for mark rounding offenses. Only if called upon, and having witnessed a situation, Race Judges will attempt to resolve on-the-water questions and protests raised by competitors. Race Judges do not serve as umpires; however, if called upon, their decisions are final.

Protests.

Unless otherwise announced per these sailing instructions, protests will be heard immediately after the race in which the incident occurred. The protest hearing will be held within the control area. Protests need not be in writing but must be filed within five minutes of finish of the race in question.

Late finishing.

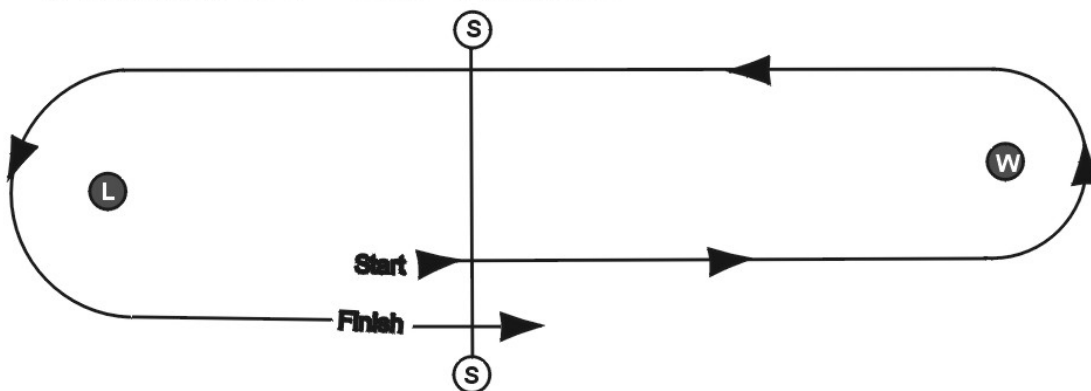
If a boat or boats significantly lag behind the balance of the boats that have finished a race, a Race Judge may assign finishing positions to these boats. Further, a disabled boat that is still under control and could finish eventually, may, at the discretion of a Race Judge, be assigned a finishing position.

Transmitters

Transmitters shall comply with current Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations for radio-controlled surface craft.

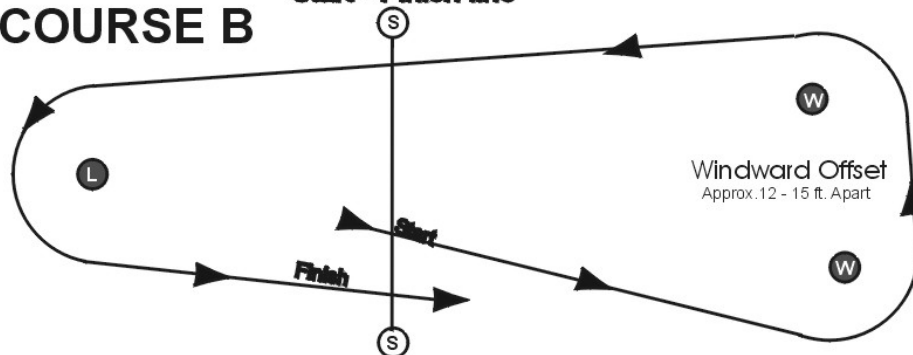
Appendix A

COURSE A Start - Finish line



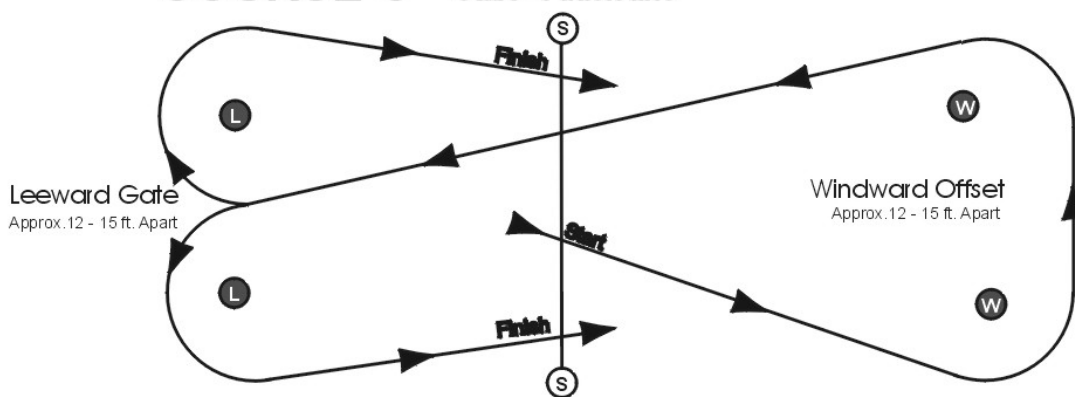
Course shall be Windard-Leeward, Twice around.
All marks shall be left to Port.
The Start-Finish line marks are not marks of the course except for at the Start and the Finish.

COURSE B Start - Finish line



Course shall be Windard-Leeward, Twice around.
The Windward mark shall be left to port and will include an "offset" mark that shall also be left to port.
The Start-Finish line marks are not marks of the course except for at the Start and the Finish.

COURSE C Start - Finish line



Course will be Windard-Leeward, Twice around.
The Windward mark shall be left to port and shall include an "offset" mark that shall also be left to port.
The Leeward mark shall be a "gate". Boats may round either gate mark.
The Start-Finish line marks are not marks of the course except for at the Start and the Finish.