

PRELIMINARY



South Seas Dixie
Atlanta Yacht Club
May 27-28, 2017

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. Penalty System Appendix V (V1 and V2) will be in effect.
- 1.3. A boat's sail number provided at registration and/or on the Entry Form will be the number of the boat scored. In the event a boat races with a sail number other than its registered number, it will be scored as DNC without a hearing (Changes RRS 90.3(c) & 62.1).

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the AYC Clubhouse, near the fish pond.
- 2.2. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern. This changes rule 63.7

3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 1.5 hours before the scheduled start of the day's racing, 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 flag mast at the head of the race committee dock.
- 4.2. When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signal "AP" (Changes Race Signals).

5. Schedule of Races (3 races scheduled)

- 5.1. Racing is scheduled as follows:

Saturday May 27, 2017	Race #1 Warning 1325
	Race #2 to follow
Sunday May 28, 2017	Subsequent Race Warning 0925
	If Required, Subsequent Race(s) to Follow
- 5.2. When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.
- 5.3. The event is scheduled for three races; one completed race for each Division shall constitute a regatta.
- 5.4. Competitors will be split into four Divisions of Black, Orange, Yellow and Blue. Each boat will be provided a Black, Orange, Yellow or Blue color pennant to be flown from the vicinity of the lower batten on the mainsail leech. There will be two Flights (starts) for all races. Each Flight will include two Divisions, rotated after every race, so that if all Flights are completed each Division will have competed against all three of the other Divisions during the course of the regatta. The sequence of flights will be 1A, 1B, and continuing the same. Placards on the Race Committee Signal Boat will correspond to the Division colors.

Race 1:

Flight 1: 1A - Black vs. Orange
Flight 2: 1B - Yellow vs. Blue

Race 2:

Flight 1: 2A - Black vs. Blue
Flight 2: 2B - Orange vs. Yellow

Race 3:

Flight 1: 3A - Black vs. Yellow
Flight 2: 3B - Blue vs. Orange

- 5.5. Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".
- 5.6. On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1300 for Flight 1. Flight 2 may have a warning signal after 1300.

6. Class Flags

- 6.1. The Class Flag will be two flags, one over the other, of the color corresponding to the Divisions participating in the starting sequence.

7. Racing Area

7.1. The racing area will be located north of the Atlanta Yacht Club on Lake Allatoona.

8. The Courses

- 8.1. The diagrams attached show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. The course designation will be displayed atop the race committee signal boat and read from top to bottom.

9. Marks

- 9.1. Original Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be yellow tetrahedrons. New marks as provided in instruction 11.1 will be yellow tetrahedrons with a black band.
- 9.2. The port end starting mark will be a race committee boat displaying an orange flag on a staff.
- 9.3. The port end finishing mark will be an orange cylinder.
- 9.4. Offset marks will be red balls.

10. The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started under RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the port end.
- 10.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats by VHS Radio, channel 69, after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

11. Change Of Course

- 11.1. Any change of course will be in accordance with RRS 33.

12. The Finish

- 12.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark.
- 12.2 Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

13. Penalty System

- 13.1. Alternative Penalty, Appendix V1 and V2 shall apply. Note: one turn and two turn penalties applies while racing.
- 13.2. Appendix V1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF INCIDENT
The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 13.3. Appendix V2 PENALTY TAKEN AFTER A RACE
After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing* may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun.

14. Time Limits

- 14.1. The time limit for the lead boat of each Flight is 45 minutes to Mark 1 and two hours to complete the course.
- 14.2. Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired).
- 14.3. Should a Flight fail to complete a race within the required time limit, the race for that Flight will be abandoned and a re-sail attempted. If the Flight is not re-sailed, the race will not be scored for either Flight. This changes RRS 90.3.

15. Radio Communication

- 15.1. All VHF radio announcements from the Race Committee to the competitors will be on Channel 69. No broadcast communication from the competitors is allowed except for safety or emergency reasons.

16. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 16.1. Protest forms are available at the notice board in the AYC Clubhouse or from the race committee at the race committee signal

boat. Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Committee at the AYC Clubhouse conference room within the protest time limit.

- 16.2. The protest time limit (45 minutes) will begin when the race committee arrives at the race committee dock. A sound signal will be made upon arrival to signify the beginning of the protest time.
- 16.3. To inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses, Notices will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board within 30 minutes of protest time limit. Hearings will be held in the AYC Clubhouse conference room soon as possible in approximately the order in which they were received.

17. Scoring

- 17.1. One race for each division shall be completed to constitute a regatta; all races will be scored. (Changes A2)
- 17.2. Boats scored as TLE will receive a score equal to the number of boats that have finished within the time limit + 2, not to exceed the number of boats in the race. This changes rules 35, A4, A5 and A11.
- 17.3. Sail numbers not corresponding to a registered boat number will be scored as DNC according to the NOR Para. 1.4 and Par 1.3 of the SI.

18. Ties

- 19.1. Ties will be broken per the RRS. In the event a tie remains, the tie will be broken by a coin toss. This changes Appendix A8.

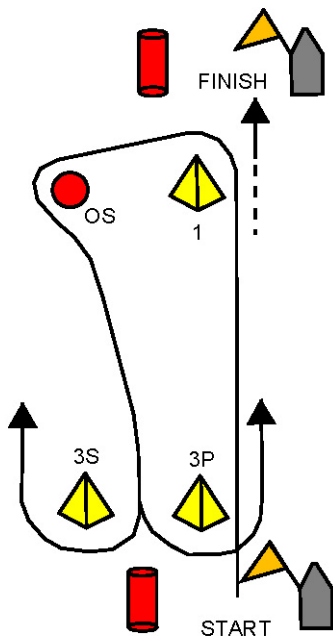
19. Safety and Sportsmanship

- 18.1. A boat that retires from a race shall attempt to notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18.2. All boats shall comply with Thistle Class and other applicable safety regulations.
- 18.3. Each competitor is reminded that the Fundamental Rules of Fair Play and Sportsmanship as stated in Part One of *Racing Rules of Sailing* apply, and will be enforced by the regatta Organizing Authority.

20. Disclaimer of Liability

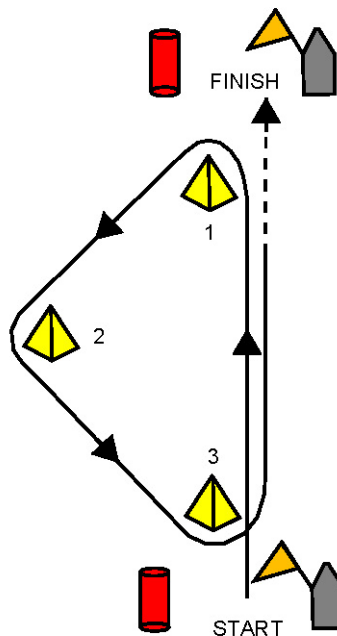
- 20.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race, of the RRS. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Course Diagrams



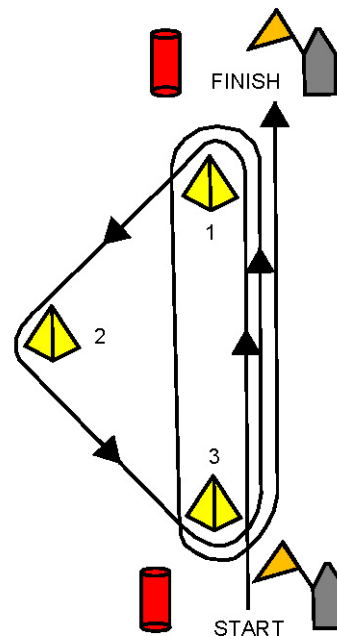
Course "WG"

Rounding Order
 WG: Start - 1-OS-3S or 3P-Finish
 WG2: Start - 1-OS-3S or 3P-
 1-OS-3S or 3P-Finish



Course "T"

Rounding Order
 T: Start-1-2-3-Finish
 T2: Start-1-2-3-1-2-3-Finish



Course "O"

Rounding Order
 O: Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish

Note: Actual angle between legs may vary depending on wind direction and available space in the racing area.

Principal Race Officer: Bill Ross

Thistle Fleet Race Committee Chair: TBD