

**Memorial Day Laser and Opti Open Regatta**  
Hosted by Laser Fleet #116 of The Atlanta Yacht Club  
**Sailing Instructions**  
May 29, 2017

**1. Rules**

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

**2. Notice To Competitors**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located across from the fish pond.

**3. Changes In Sailing Instructions**

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:45 on the day it will take effect, except 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 on the Race Committee Signal Boat alongside the dock or the flagpole located above the 2<sup>nd</sup> dock.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in the Race Signal AP.

**5. Schedule of Races**

- 5.1 Competitors Meeting 1100
- First Race Warning Signal 1157
- Goal is to complete 6 races
- A break will be taken for lunch.

**6. Class Flags**

Laser Class Flag or Blue Flag  
Opti Class Flag or Red Flag

**7. The Courses**

- 7.1 The diagrams show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be rounded or passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2 The identifying letter(s) of the course will be displayed on the Signal Boat
- 7.3 The order of Fleets starting will be displayed on top of the Signal Boat

**8. Marks**

- 8.1 For Lasers Rounding Marks 1, 2 & 3 and Gate Marks will be yellow Tetrahedrons. New Rounding Marks when used in accordance with SI 10.1, Change of Course, will be original marks with a black band.
- 8.2 For Opti's rounding Marks 1, 2 & 3 and Gate Marks will be Red Hip-pity Hops. . New Rounding Marks when used in accordance with SI 10.1.
- 8.3 The starting and finishing marks will be Race Committee boat with an orange flag and a nearby Orange Cylinder.

**9. The Start**

- 9.1 Appendix U, the three minute audible start, will apply.
- 9.2 A Boat starting more than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rule A4 and A5.
- 9.3 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the course side of a nearby orange cylinder.
- 9.4 The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats 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.

**10. Change of the next leg of the course**

- 10.1 To change the next leg of the course the Race Committee will lay a Black-banded Mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original Mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a black-banded mark is replaced, it will be by an original mark.
- 10.2 When Flag C, S, or N is displayed with a Class Flag, or Placard, it applies only to that Class.
- 10.3 When Flag G is displayed with one sound it means the warning signal for the next race will be in 15 minutes.

**11. The Finish**

The finish line will be between the staff of an orange flag on the Signal Boat and the course side of a nearby orange cylinder

**12. Time Limit**

- 12.1 The time limit for the first boat to reach the first Mark is 30 minutes and 90 minutes to finish. If no boat has passed the first Mark in time the race shall be abandoned.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat of its class will be scored one more than the number of finishers. This changes rule 35 and A4.
- 12.3 If a boat in last place in a race may delay the start of another race, the race committee may score that boat in the place she would have finished and terminate the race. This changes rule 35, A4, and A5.
- 12.4 No warning signal will be made after 1630.

**13. Using Practice Sails**

- 13.1 The use of "Non-Class Sails" (NCS) for the Laser racing shall not be subject to a protest or a request for redress by a boat or the race committee. This changes rules 60.1, 60.2, 78.1, 78.2.
- 13.2 The NCS must be one of the following: Full rig, Radial rig, or 4.7 rig.
- 13.3 The NCS when measured shall meet the sail dimensions provided by the International Laser Class Rules.

**14. Protests and Request for Redress**

- 14.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee Finish Boat of her intention and receive acknowledgement. This is in addition to Rule 61.1(a)
- 14.2 Protest forms are available on the Signal Boat and protests will be delivered there no later than 30 minutes after docking time.

**15. Scoring**

- 15.1 When fewer than 6 races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.
- 15.2 Six races are scheduled one must be completed to constitute a regatta

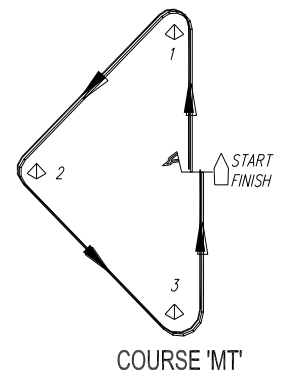
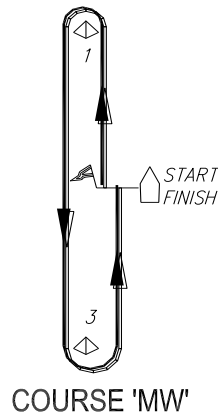
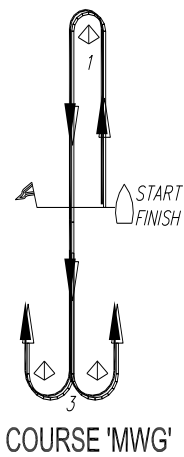
**16. Safety Regulations**

All competitors shall wear, while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing, a U.S. Coast Guard (or Canadian) approved PFD. Due to low water temperatures, a wet or dry suit is encouraged.

**17. Disclaimer of Liability**

Competitors participate in the races 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.

**Course Diagrams**



**Notes:**

1. For courses "MWG", "MW", and "MT"; a number posted after the course indicates how many laps are to be sailed.
2. Actual angle between legs may vary depending on wind direction and available space in the racing area.