

# Y-FLYER BEERS REGATTA

October 9-10, 2021

Atlanta Yacht Club & Y-Flyer Fleet 1, Acworth, GA

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'[NP]' means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

'[DP]' means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the by-laws of the AYFSA.

### 2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day the change will take effect, except:
  - 2.1.1. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
  - 2.1.2. Changes may be made on the water by displaying code flag "L" (yellow and black diagonal squares) with one sound and communicating with each boat before her warning signal.

### 3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located outside the clubhouse near the fishpond.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio, Channel 69, or the signal boat PA system. No boat is required to carry a radio.
- 3.3. [DP] While racing, no voice broadcast or data communication from the competitors is allowed except for safety reasons or to notify the race committee of intent to withdraw from the race.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RC signal barge at the race committee dock.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' for race signal AP. This changes the RRS Race Signals.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 5.1. The Competitors' Meeting will be held at the AYC viewing pavilion on Saturday at **11:30am**. (Junior Regatta competitor's meeting will be at 8:45 am Saturday at the clubhouse patio, with first warning signal at 9:30am.)
- 5.2. Dates and Time of racing:

Date	Time of Warning Signal
Saturday	1:00pm Warning signal, first race of the day Subsequent race(s) to follow
Sunday	9:45am Warning signal for first race Subsequent race to follow (if needed)

- 5.3. The Race Committee will attempt to complete three (3) races for the regatta.
- 5.4. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 12:00pm.

### 6. FLEETS AND CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. The fleet will be split into "Gold" and "Blue" fleets
- 6.2. The fleets will be scored separately
- 6.3. The fleets will start together
- 6.4. The class flag will be the Y Flyer class flag or a solid yellow flag.

### 7. [NP] RACING AREA

The Racing Area location will be north of the Atlanta Yacht Club on Lake Allatoona.

### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The diagrams in Illustration A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. The course will be designated by a placard on a ladder behind the mast on the RC Signal boat before the warning signal.

### 9. MARKS

- 9.1. Rounding Marks will be yellow tetrahedrons, except that Mark "OS" in course "WG" will be a RED or ORANGE ball.
- 9.2. For course "WG", if one of the leeward gate marks is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to Port.

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- 9.3. New rounding marks as provided in Change of the next leg of the Course will be yellow tetrahedrons with a black band, except for Mark "OS" in course WG. Mark "OS" in course WG will be removed if Mark 1 is changed.
- 9.4. The Starting Marks will be an RC boat and either a) a nearby ORANGE cylinder, or b) another RC boat.
- 9.5. The Finish Marks will be an RC boat and a nearby ORANGE cylinder.
- 9.6. A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.

### 10. THE START

- 10.1. [NP] All boats must check in by sailing on starboard tack past the stern of the RC signal boat prior to their first race of the day or after a shore break. Each boat shall hail her number and must be verbally acknowledged.
- 10.2. [NP] To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the Race Committee may make multiple short sounds prior to the warning signal.
- 10.3. Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.4. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE flag on the Race Committee Signal boat at the starboard end and on the port end either a) the course side of an ORANGE cylinder, or b) a staff displaying an ORANGE flag on a race committee boat.
- 10.5. The race committee will not hail OCS boats.
- 10.6. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.7. Starting penalties from races that are abandoned after the starting signal and not re-sailed that same day will not carry over to races re-sailed a subsequent day in the regatta. This changes rules 30.2, 30.4 and rule 36.

### 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.
- 11.2. When in a subsequent change, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark (no black band).
- 11.3. If any one gate mark of the pair has a black band, it shall be understood that both gate marks are the new marks.
- 11.4. Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

### 12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying a BLUE flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 12.2. If no additional signals are displayed, competitors should return to the starting area so that a subsequent race may be started as soon as practical.
- 12.3. If racing is suspended for a "shore break", the Finish boat will display Race Signal AP over Flag "H" (Red and White vertical panels) with no associated sound. When flag AP over Flag "H" is displayed, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in Race Signal AP. This changes the RRS Race Signals.

### 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1. Appendix V, both V1 and V2, ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES, will apply.

### 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. The time limit for each race will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. If no boat has finished within the time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)
- 14.2. Boats still racing 45 minutes after the first boat finishes, and not thereafter retiring, being penalized, or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and will be assigned scored points equal to the number of starters in that race per the AYFSA By-Laws. This changes rules 35, A4, A5, and A10. The score given by the race committee is not subject to Redress. This changes 62.1(a)
- 14.3. [NP] FOC - Finished on Course: If boats in a race are unduly delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score those boats in the place they would have finished based on their position at the time the race is terminated. The score given by the race committee is not subject to Redress. This changes 35, 62.1(a), A4, and A5.2

### 15. HEARING REQUESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Protests forms are available at the Official Notice Board and online at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/race-officers/materials-for-race-officers/>

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- 15.2. Protests shall be delivered to a member of the Protest Committee (PC) in the AYC club house Board Room within the protest time limit: 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks. The Protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board.
- 15.3. Within the protest time limit, a list of boats that have been penalized by Race Committee Actions will be posted. This posting constitutes the notification required in Rule 61.1(b). The time limit for a boat so notified to file a request for redress is 30 minutes after the Protest Time Limit. This changes rule 62.2.
- 15.4. A schedule of protests will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in Rules 61.1(b) and 63.2.
- 15.5. 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; or (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.2

### 16. SCORING

- 16.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2. Each fleet will be scored separately.
- 16.3. No scores will be excluded.
- 16.4. The Low-Point Scoring System, in Appendix A of the AYFSA By-laws, will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

### 17. [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

### 18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 18.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee.
- 18.3. Requests for substitution shall be made to the PRO at the first reasonable opportunity.

### 19. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

### 20. [NP] OFFICIAL BOATS

If present, the Judge's boat will be marked as follows: US Sailing Judges Flag.

### 21. [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1. Competitors may receive radio transmissions from the Race Committee concerning safety and general information to assist in the management of the event, however, the race committee will not hail OCS boats.
- 21.2. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 21.3. From the time a boat leaves the dock until she has finished the last race of the day, returned to shore, or been instructed to return to shore by the Race Committee, no electronic or electrical device shall be used to gather information about conditions, monitor performance, communicate between boats, communicate sailing related information, or in any other way benefit or influence a boat's racing.
- 21.4. Communication in any form is encouraged to request or coordinate aid in an emergency.

### 22. PRIZES

- 22.1. Prizes will be awarded for the top three places, skipper and crew, Junior Beers
- 22.2. Prizes will be awarded for the top five places, skipper and crew, Blue Fleet
- 22.3. Prizes will be awarded for the top five places, skipper and crew, Gold Fleet

### 23. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in

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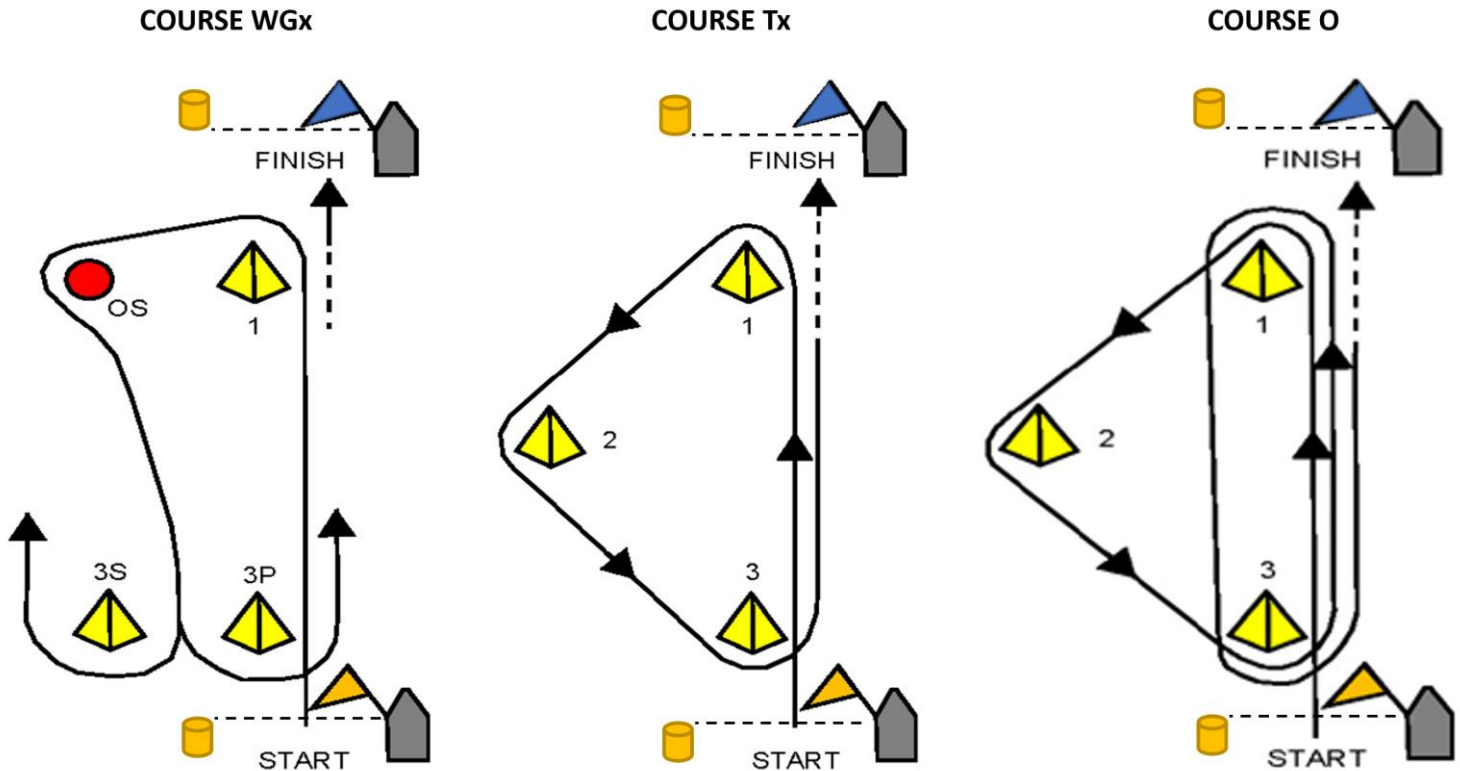
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increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

### Illustration A - Course Diagrams



#### Rounding Order:

##### Course "WG1" or "WG2"

WG1: Start-1-OS-3-Finish

WG2: Start-1-OS-3-1-OS-3-Finish

##### Course "T1" or "T2"

T1: Start-1-2-3-Finish

T2: Start-1-2-3-1-2-3-Finish

##### Course "O"

Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish

#### Notes:

1. Actual angle between legs may vary depending on wind direction and available space in the racing area.
2. For all courses, Mark "1" (and Mark "OS" for course WG) has no required side when finishing.
3. For course "WG", if Mark 1 is moved via change of course, Mark "OS" will be removed.
4. A number after the course designation (ex. WG1 or WG2) indicates the number of laps around the course before the final weather leg