

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



Flying Scot® Wife-Husband Championship September 27 - 29, 2024

Hosted by **Atlanta Yacht Club**
720 Yacht Club Drive
Acworth, GA 30102

Organizing Authorities: Flying Scot® Sailing Association (FSSA) and Atlanta Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 US Sailing Prescription to RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 The Technical Committee is the Measurement Committee appointed by FSSA.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard located at the clubhouse across from the Koi Pond.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be posted before 0900 on the day they take effect, except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted before 1800 the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the top of the sidewalk leading to the middle long dock.
- 4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the Race Signal AP. This changes "Race Signals".

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A competitors' meeting will be held Saturday, September 28st at 1130 in the clubhouse.
- 5.2 Three races are planned for Saturday, and two races are planned for Sunday.
- 5.3 Races are scheduled as follows:

5.3.1 Saturday, September 28	First Warning Signal of the Day	1300
5.3.2 Sunday, September 29	First Warning Signal of the Day	1000
5.3.3 Sunday, September 29	No Warning Signal after this time	1300

6. DIVISION CLASS FLAGS

Division Class flags will be:

- 6.1.1 Championship Division – White flag with a blue FS insignia.
- 6.1.2 Challenger Division – Yellow flag, no insignia.

7. RADIO COMMUNICATION

7.1 The RC will use VHF Channel 68 to communicate with competitors.

7.2 Competitors are only to contact the RC on the water in the event of emergencies, safety issues, to retire from a race or report a protest or penalty taken. The RC Communication channel will be 69.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The race area will be immediately outside the AYC harbor to the North or South.

9. THE COURSES

9.1 The courses to be sailed are Windward-Leeward as shown in the Course Diagram.

9.2 There will be an offset mark at the windward mark.

9.3 All marks shall be rounded to port.

9.4 A 9" square numbered course placard indicating the course to be sailed i.e. 3, 4, or 5 will be displayed above the cabin of the Signal Boat along with the F/S Class placard.

10. MARKS

10.1 The starting mark will be an orange cylinder and the RC vessel displaying an orange flag.

10.2 The windward mark (designated as "A") and leeward mark (designated as "C") will be yellow tetrahedrons.

10.3 The offset mark will be a red ball (Hippty Hop) designated as "O".

10.4 The finishing marks will be an orange cylinder designated as "X", and the RC vessel displaying a blue flag.

10.5 Change marks will be yellow tetrahedron with black bands. If the course is changed again, the original marks will be used.

11. SAFETY CHECK-IN

11.1 When the RC signal vessel displays Code Flag L prior to the first warning signal each day, competitors shall sail past the stern of the signal vessel on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the RC. Only the RC may protest alleged breaches of this sailing instruction. Each time a boat breaks this sailing instruction, it will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The second time, and every time thereafter that a boat breaks this sailing instruction, the penalty will be applied to the first race of the day on which the 2nd or 3rd infraction occurred and shall be: 1) the Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) or 2) another penalty. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.3.

12. THE START

12.1 At On-Site Registration and Check-In, each Challenger Division boat will be given a colored streamer which shall be flown from the leech of the mainsail at least 12 inches and not more than 36 inches above the clew.

12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel at the starboard end, and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.

12.3 As a courtesy, the warning signal for each Division may be preceded by a VHF announcement to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.

12.4 During any starting sequence, boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

12.5 As a courtesy, the RC may, after the starting signal, hail the sail and/or bow numbers of OCS boats via VHF Radio. The delay of such hail, the order of hailing, the failure of the RC to hail, or the failure of a competitor to hear such a hail will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12.6 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her division's starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.1.

13. CHANGED OR SHORTENED COURSE

13.1 If a Change or Shortened course affects only one Division, the RC will display the class flag for the Division affected along with flag "C" or flag "S". If no class flag is displayed, flag "C" or flag "S" applies to both Divisions.

13.2 No course shall be shortened to fewer than three legs, two of which shall be to windward, and the second windward leg will be at least as long as the first. The leg of the course from the windward mark to the offset mark will not count as a leg of the course for this rule.

14. THE FINISH

14.1 The finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on an RC vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
NOTE: Finish Line is on opposite side of Start Line for Downwind Finish.

14.2 Boats that retire before finishing should inform the RC as soon as possible and may do so by VHF radio.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS Appendix V Alternative Penalties will apply.

16. TIME LIMITS

16.1 The following time limits apply to each race:

16.1.1 The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 30 minutes, and for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes.

16.1.2 If either of these limits is not met, the race will be abandoned.

16.1.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to sail the course and finish in each Division will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) as described in the SCORING section below. This changes RRS 35 and A10.

17. PROTESTS AND REDRESS

17.1 Protests: Protest forms will be available at the Signal Boat and shall be filed within 60 minutes of the RC signal vessel docking time, which will be posted on the official notice board. The order of protests will be posted within 15 minutes of the end of the protest time. Protests will be held inside the clubhouse in the order received.

17.2 Redress Request: If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, NSC, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board, a request for redress shall be made no later than 30 minutes after posting or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

17.3 On the last day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing or a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes the Prescription to RRS 63.2 and RRS 66.

18. SCORING

18.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply with the following modifications:

18.1.1 One race must be completed for each Division to constitute a series for that Division.

18.1.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, and no score shall be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.

18.1.3 A boat scored DNC, DNS, OCS, UFD, BFD, NSC, DNF, RET, DSQ or DNE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats assigned to its Division. This changes RRS A5.2.

18.1.4 A boat scored TLE will be awarded points two greater than the last boat in its Division to last sail the course and finish within the 30-minute time limit. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.1 and A5.2.

19. SUPPORT BOATS

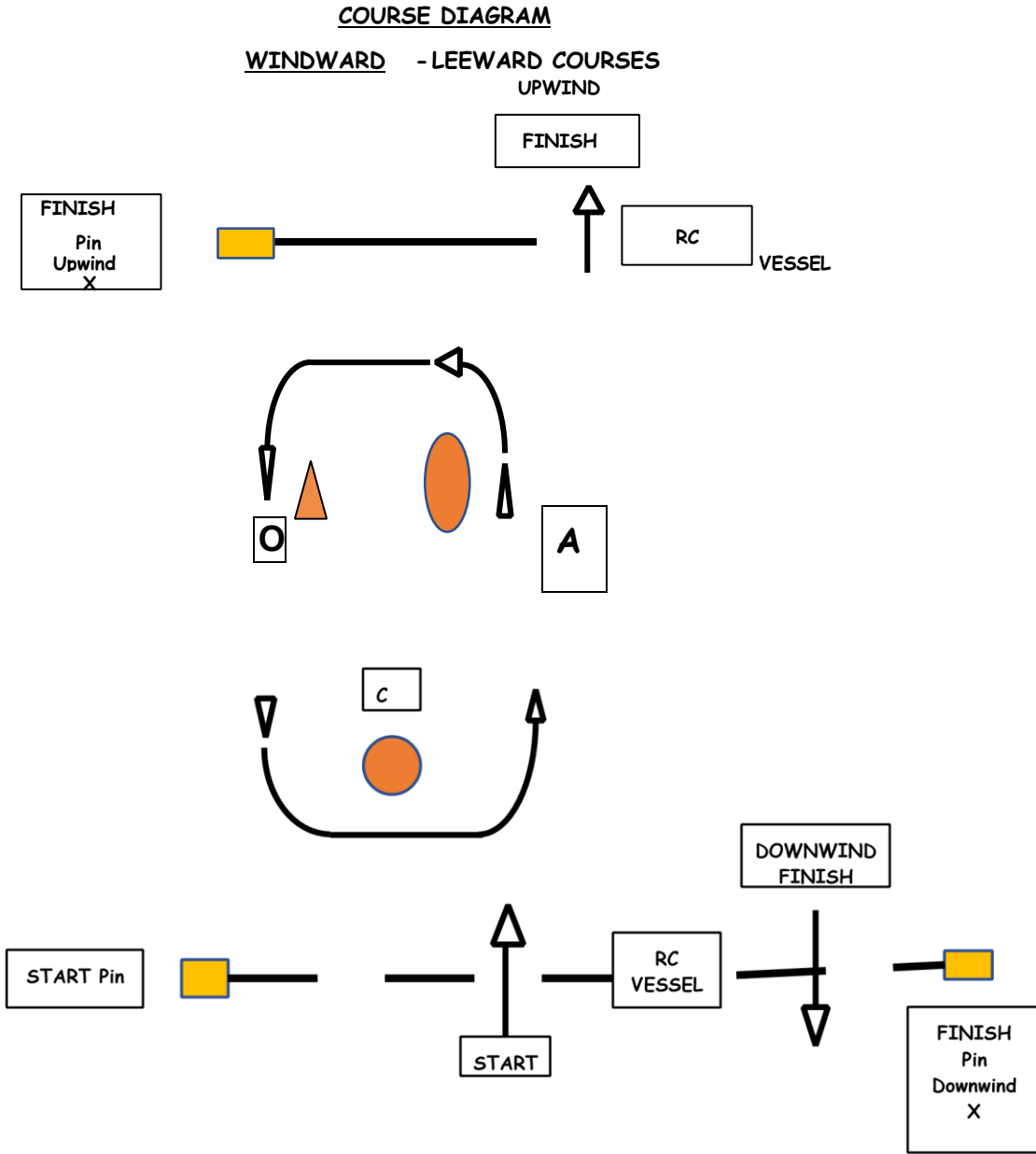
19.1 A competitor shall not use support or spectator personnel or their equipment, including tow vessels, while away from the dock unless they have been pre-approved by the Protest Committee, RC, or made available to all competitors by an Organizing Authority.

20. PRIZES

20.1 Trophies will be awarded as stated in the Notice of Race.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 The disclaimer is as stated in the Notice of Race.



3 Leg COURSE: START-A-O-C-X (one & a half around, upwind finish)
 4 Leg COURSE: START-A-O-C-A-O-X (twice around, downwind finish)
 5 Leg COURSE: START-A-O-C-A-O-C-X (two & a half around, upwind finish)
 NOTE: MARK COLORS AND SHAPES ARE SCHEMATIC ONLY.