



2022 STAR WESTERN HEMISPHERE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Organizing Authority is the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (“ISCYRA”) in conjunction with the Lake Sunapee Yacht Club

August 21-27, 2022

34 Stone End Road

Sunapee, New Hampshire, USA

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 The Lake Sunapee YC COVID protocol will be in effect. This document will be posted on the Official Notice Board and strictly enforced.
- 1.3 The following US Sailing prescriptions will apply: 60.3, 61.4, 67, 76.1, and Appendix R. These are attached as Attachment ALPHA.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix P will apply. RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 is changed so that it will apply to the first and subsequent penalties. See also SI 3.3.
- 1.5 STCR 34.3.1 changes RRS 32 to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.6 Per STCR 34.3.1, RRS 33b will apply; leg length may be changed within the parameters of the Format being sailed.
- 1.7 STCR 34.6.3 changes RRS 35, RRS A5, and RRS A10 to provide that boats not finishing within the stated time in the STCR after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored "TLE" as defined therein.
- 1.8 STCR 35.5 changes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.9 [NP][DP] While racing, boats shall display bow numbers in accordance with STCR 40.1. The OA will supply the numbers and instructions for their application on Attachment BRAVO.
Competitors are responsible for maintaining their bow numbers visible on both sides of the bow.
- 1.10 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the SIs will be approved by the Principal Race Officer (PRO), and will be posted by 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.





2.2 Any change to the SI will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at the head of the front stairs at the LSYC Clubhouse (this changes NoR 3.1), and/or on the [regatta website](https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15281) at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=15281>

3. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB).
- 3.2 On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors and Support Persons via VHF radio on channel 72.
- 3.3 Boats may be hailed by Race Officials by either Bow or Sail number.
- 3.4 [DP] Failure of any information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. Information gathered on any VHF channel or RC communication channel shall not be grounds for redress, except when a request for redress under this instruction is initiated by the RC or the Protest Committee. These changes are added to RRS 62.1.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with reasonable requests from Race Officials.

5. TEAM WEIGHT

- 5.1 All teams must demonstrate compliance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to the end of measurement, per SI 7.1.

6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the LSYC.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in Race Signals AP.

7. SCHEDULE

7.1

Sunday, August 21, 2022	Afternoon	Community Day at LSYC
Monday, August 22, 2022	1000 – 1600 hrs	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In
Tuesday, August 23, 2022	1000 - 1530 hrs. 1300 hrs. 1730 hrs.	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In Practice Race Opening Ceremony (dress code: Blazer)
Wednesday, August 24, 2022	0800 - 0830 hrs. 0830 hrs. 1100 hrs. 1730 hrs.	Last Chance Team Weigh-in Competitor’s Meeting Warning Signal 1 st Race Dinner @ Mt. Sunapee Ski Resort – Chairlift open





Thursday, August 25, 2022	0830 hrs 1100 hrs. 1800 hrs.	Competitor’s Briefing Warning Signal 1 st Race Dinner at NL Historical Society
Friday, August 26, 2022	0830 hrs. 1100 hrs. After Sailing	Competitor’s Briefing Warning Signal 1 st Race After sailing snacks and beverages
Saturday, August 27, 2022	0830 hrs. 1030 hrs. 1400 hrs. 1730 hrs.	Competitor’s Briefing Warning Signal 1 st Race latest time for last Warning Signal Dinner/Awards Ceremony – Dress Code -Jacket & Tie

- 7.2 Up to eight (8) races are scheduled.
- 7.3 No more than three (3) races per day may be sailed.

8. CLASS FLAG

8.1 The Class Flag will be a white flag with a red star.

9. VENUE

9.1 The location of the racing areas will be on the waters of Lake Sunapee generally north of Great Island and south of Herrick Cove Light. See Attachment Charlie.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1 The courses to be sailed will be in accordance with STCR 34.3. Per the Continental Committee, Course 2 is included.
- 10.2 The regatta will be sailed as a Format C event in accordance with STCR 34.3.7.
- 10.3 With the approval of the ISCYRA IGC and CMC, courses in addition to STCR 34.3 are as follows:
 - 10.3.1. If displayed, Course 3+ will have the same configuration as STCR Course 3 with Marks to be passed to port in the order: Start; 1; 2; 3 (or 3s/3p); 1; 2; 3 (or 3s/3p); 1; 2; 3 (or 3s/3p); Finish.
 - 10.3.2. If displayed, Course 4+ will have the same configuration as STCR Course 4 with Marks to be passed to port in the order: Start; 1; 2; 3 (or 3s/3p); 1; 2; 3 (or 3s/3p); 1; 2; Finish.

11. MARKS

- 11.1 Turning Marks will be white inflatable marks with a Bacardi logo.
- 11.2 The starting marks will be the RC signal vessel at the starboard end, and port end RC vessel or inflatable buoy.
- 11.3 The finishing marks will be a RC vessel at the starboard end, and a port pin end RC vessel or inflatable buoy.
- 11.4 In the event that only one buoy is set as a leeward Mark 3, that Mark shall be left to port.
- 11.5 Change marks will be inflatable orange buoys.
- 11.6 In the event of a subsequent change the original Marks will be used.





12. OBSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 The area between the yellow Weather buoy east of Loon Island light and Russell Point (south of LSYC) is to be considered an obstruction. See yellow highlight in Attachment Charlie.

13. THE START

- 13.1 [DP] Prior to the first warning signal of the first race of the day, boats shall sail on **Starboard Tack** by the stern of the RC starboard-end vessel, displaying flag L, until acknowledged by RC personnel.
- 13.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end RC vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end RC vessel or the Course side of a Starting Mark buoy.
- 13.3 In the event of an individual recall, the bow or sail numbers or other identification of any boat or boats that are identified as OCS may be announced on VHF Channel 72. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails, or the length of time it takes to make a notification on the VHF will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 60.1(b) and NoR 3.2.
- 13.4 A boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after the starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start"(DNS), without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1. and A5.
- 13.5 [DP] A RC service/mark vessel displaying code flag G may pass to windward of the fleet in the event of an abandonment, postponement or general recall which means, "The RC has signaled an abandonment, postponement or general recall. Boats shall return to the starting area immediately."
- 13.6 [NP] [DP] A RC service/mark vessel positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify any OCS, UFD, or BFD boats by displaying flag X and displaying their bow/sail numbers. Boats so notified shall leave the race course immediately.

14. CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14.2 If Mark 2 is not reset, it is not a Mark of the Course for the remainder of that race.

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end RC vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on a port end RC vessel or the course side of a nearby finishing buoy. This changes Race Signals – blue flag.

16. TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 The time limits will be as specified in STCR 34.3.7 and 34.6.3 for Format C.





17. PENALTY SYSTEM

17.1 Appendix T applies as modified herein:

17.1.1. Appendix T1 (b) is changed to read; A Post-Race Penalty is a Scoring Penalty equal to 20% of the score for DNF if accepted during Protest Time, or 30% after and prior to a Hearing, up to 50% of the difference between the boat's finishing position in the race and the score for DNF, whichever is less. The Scoring Penalty is calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.

17.1.2. Appendix T2, T3, and T4 are deleted.

18. HEARING REQUESTS

18.1 Protest forms are available on the Event Website and at the protest committee office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

18.2 As the RC signal vessel docks the RC will indicate the docking time with one sound ashore and post the time on the official notice board and on the [Event Website](#). Protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC docking time.

18.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in protest committee room, located at the LSYC office. Protests referred to the protest committee from the arbitrators will be added to the list of scheduled protests as they become available from arbitration.

18.4 Notices of protest by the RC or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

18.5 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed by the jury will be DPI.

18.6 If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Any request for a change of crew shall be submitted to the RC in writing prior to 0900 on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the RC grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the official notice board.

19.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

19.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Protest or Technical Committee.

20. OFFICIAL BOATS

20.1 Official boats will be as described at the Competitor's Meeting.

21. SUPPORT BOATS

21.1 [DP] Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats are expected to monitor VHF channel 72 and to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the RC or Jury. See RRS 37.

21.2 [NP] [DP] Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats shall stay 100 meters





outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished racing, except as provided in SI 24.1.

- 21.3 [NP] [DP] Per STCR 31.1.4, a boat shall receive no outside assistance from coach boats, support boats or private spectator boats once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the OA and available to all participants.
- 21.4 [NP] [DP] Coach and support boats associated with a competitor shall register in the RO. Identification flags will be issued to each boat and all such boats should monitor VHF channel 72.

22. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 22.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Championship.

23. LIABILITY AND SAFETY

- 23.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk, see RRS 3, Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority, nor any regatta officials, volunteers, or staff, will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, of after the regatta/
- 23.2 The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 23.3 Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the RC or the Race Office as soon as possible.
- 23.4 Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the race office.

24. RISK STATEMENT

- 24.1 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 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.**

25. INSURANCE

- 25.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.





ATTACHMENT ALPHA

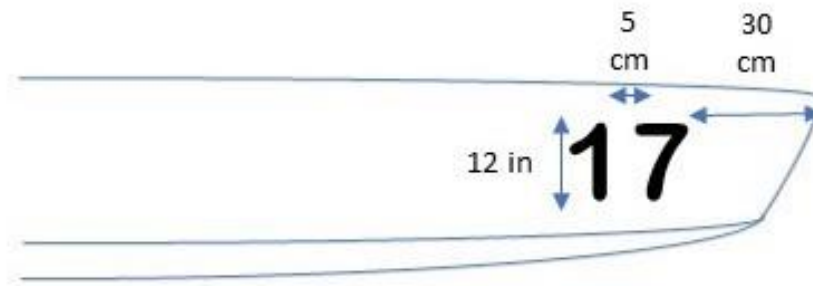
The following US SAILING prescriptions to rules 61.4, 67, 76.1 and Appendix R.

- A1. US Sailing prescribes that RRS 60.3(b) is changed to:
(b) request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress;
- A2. Add rule 61.4:
"US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress."
- A3. After rule 67 add:
"US Sailing prescribes that:
(a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
(b) A protest committee shall find fact and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
(c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by the application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats."
- A4. After rule 76.1 add:
"US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.
"However, an organizing authority or race committee may exclude a competitor who is a citizen of, or holds a World Sailing ID as an MNA member of, a country listed on the US Sailing website at <https://www.ussailing.org/exclusion>."
- A5. The full text of Appendix R will be available upon request.





ATTACHMENT BRAVO



Note: Not to Scale

ATTACHMENT CHARLIE

Dependent on weather conditions the RC will attempt to use the approximate racing area as shown below. Note the area between Russell Point and Loon Island is an Obstruction (SI 11).



Not to be used for navigation