



LYRA 2016
Sailing Instructions
Course Racing



1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. The prescriptions of the Canadian National Authority, Sail Canada, will apply. A copy of the prescriptions will be posted on the official notice board.
- 1.2. For IRC, the IRC 2016 rules parts A, B and C will apply. IRC Rule 22.4.2 is amended as follows: Boats may choose to use the maximum crew number printed on the certificate or the crew number multiplied by 85kg as the maximum crew weight. Boats having more crew than the crew number printed on the certificate will be required to have the crew weighed.
- 1.3. For PHRF, PHRF Lake Ontario (PHRF-LO) rules will apply.
- 1.4. This regatta is a level B for Crew Eligibility for the Beneteau First 36.7 Class (ISAF Regulation 22).
- 1.5. For the J80 Class, this regatta is classified as a "Member Event".
- 1.6. In case of differences between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Event Tent.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, 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 on the flagpole located on the lawn west of the clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced by "no less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5. CLASS ASSIGNMENTS TO COURSES, DIVISION SPLITS, ORDER OF START, AND CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1. Class course assignments, racing schedule, the order of start and class flags for all courses plus IRC and PHRF division splits will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28.
- 5.2. The organizing authority reserves the right to keep like boats together, even if this action overrides one or more boats' separation by rating. Boats affected shall continue to use their actual ratings for all purposes, except to sail in the assigned class.
- 5.3. Backstay flags are not required for any handicap division (IRC or PHRF).

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of each day is 1100.
- 6.2. No warning signal will be made after 1600 on Friday or Saturday, or after 1430 on Sunday.

7. RACING AREAS, THE COURSES, MARKS, VHF Channel

- 7.1. See attachments A to C.

8. THE START

- 8.1 Before starting its first race of each day, a boat intending to race shall come within hailing distance of the signal boat and shall report its sail number and receive acknowledgement. The race committee will not accept reports of intent to start via VHF radio. The Race Committee may protest boats failing to report.
- 8.2 The starting line will be between the halyard or staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 8.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area extends one-quarter the length of the starting line ahead of and behind the starting line, and one-quarter the length of the starting line past either end of the starting line.
- 8.4 The compass bearing and distance of the first mark will be displayed on the signal boat before the warning signal.
- 8.5 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.
- 8.6 The Race Committee may announce the sail number or boat name of each premature starter on the applicable VHF channel. Failure to make an announcement or the order in which boats are announced shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1 (a).
- 8.7 When more than 10 minutes has elapsed from the starting signal for the previous race, the race committee will make several short sound signals and announce the upcoming warning signal on the applicable VHF channel at least one minute before the upcoming warning signal.

9. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE DURING A RACE

- 9.1 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. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.
- 9.2 In the event of a change of course, there will be no new offset mark.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1 Boats will finish between the staff or halyard carrying an blue flag on the race committee vessel and the finishing mark as shown in the course diagram in the applicable attachment.
- 10.2 If the Race Committee does not plan to run any more races it will fly Code Flag "H" at the finish. If the Race Committee flies Code Flag "H" over a class flag, there will be no more races for that class.

11. PENALTY SYSTEMS

11.1 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in rule 44.3(c) equal to 40% of the number of entries in her class or 50% of the difference between her position and the number of entries in her class, whichever is less. However, if she caused injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

12. TIME LIMITS

12.1 The time limit for each race will be 2 hours. For one-design classes, boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5. For handicap divisions, boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4, and A5.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk located on the lower floor of the WYC clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit. The protest time limit will be 90 minutes after: a) the time of the last boat to finish the last race of the day on the protesting boat's course, or b) expiry of the time limit if that terminated the last race of the day, or c) abandonment of racing for the day on the protesting boat's course, whichever is applicable.

13.2 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room located on the 1st floor off the hallway to the washrooms.

13.3 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1 (b).

13.4 Protests alleging a breach of a class or handicap rule must be accompanied by an official copy of the applicable class or handicap rules. This adds to rule 61.2.

13.5 An appeal under rule 70.1 or a request by a protest committee under rule 70.2 shall be sent to Sail Canada.

13.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening of 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.

13.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress shall be delivered no later than the protest time limit or 30 minutes of the relevant incident, whichever is later. This changes rule 62.2.

13.8 The penalty for a breach of rule 55, Notice of Race 1.4 and 1.5, or sailing instructions 8.1, 8.3 and 17 may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

14. SCORING

14.1 One race is required to constitute a series.

14.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

14.3 When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 Once a boat has fulfilled her check-in requirements, if she withdraws from a race or if she no longer intends to participate in racing, she shall: a) keep clear of other competitors and b) notify the Race Committee and receive their acknowledgement either orally or on the applicable VHF channel. The penalty for a breach of this instruction may be applied to another race and may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1 See the applicable attachment for the VHF channel to be used for each course.

16.2 Race Committee broadcasts regarding its intentions, the course to be sailed, start times, course changes, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of the Race Committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).

17. PRIZES

17.1 Prizes will be awarded to the three top finishers in each class after racing Sunday, except that prizes may not be awarded to boats which are not represented at the prize-giving ceremonies.

17.2 LYRA perpetual trophies will be awarded to overall winners.

17.3 The day races are a counter toward the LYRA regatta championships for IRC, PHRF, and one-design. For scoring and prizes see Attachment D.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

19. INSURANCE

19.1 Liability coverage in accordance with the Notice of Race is required.

Attachment A - ALPHA COURSE

1. RACING AREA

- 1.1 The racing area is centred at N 43° 48.020' W 078° 58.156' which is approximately 2.5 nm on a bearing of 240° from the entrance to the Whitby Harbour.

2. SIGNAL BOAT

- 2.1 The signal boat for this course will display code flag A. This may be removed just prior to the first race of the day.

3. DIVISION SPLITS, AND ORDER OF START

- 3.1 Division splits, and order of start will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28. The order of start for the first race each day will be as posted. Subsequent races will be started as soon as practicable.

4. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 The VHF channel for this course is Canadian 09.

5. THE COURSES

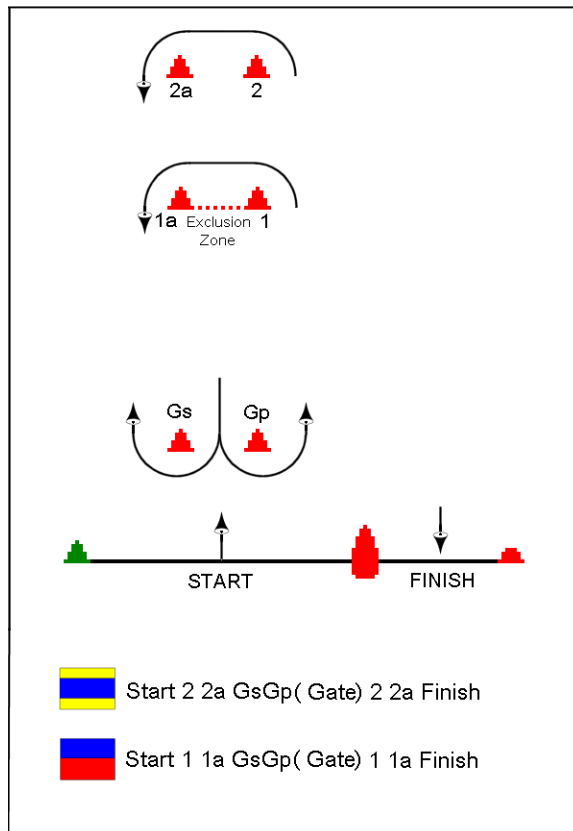
- 5.1 There will be two possible courses: the long windward-leeward (W-L) course, or the short wind-leeward (W-L) course. See Diagram

- 5.2 The signal boat will display a course code flag from on or before a class warning signal until after its starting signal to identify the course to be sailed by that class. Course code flags will be as follows:

Delta: Long windward-leeward course

Echo: Short windward-leeward course

The Mark descriptions will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28.



Attachment B – BRAVO COURSE

1. RACING AREA

- 1.1 The racing area is centred at N 43° 49.204' W 078° 50.967' which is approximately 3.4 nm on a bearing of 109° from the entrance to the Whitby Harbour.

2. SIGNAL BOAT

- 2.1 The signal boat for this course will display code flag B. This may be removed just prior to the first race of the day.

3. DIVISION SPLITS, AND ORDER OF START

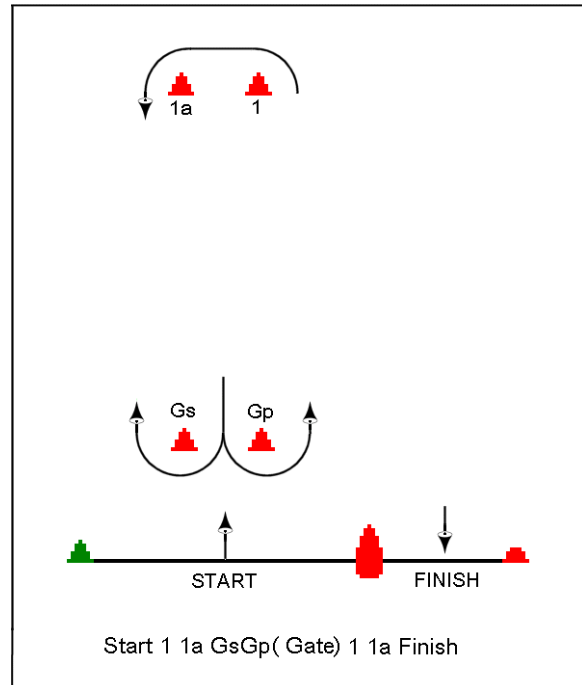
- 3.1 Division splits, and order of start will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28. The order of start for the first race each day will be as posted. Subsequent races will be started as soon as practicable.

4. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 The VHF channel for this course is Canadian 72.

5. MARKS

- 5.1 The Mark descriptions will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28.



Attachment C – CHARLIE COURSE

1. RACING AREA

- 1.1 The racing area is centred at N 43° 48.540' W 078° 54.023' which is approximately 1.7 nm on a bearing of 146° from the entrance to the Whitby Harbour.

2. SIGNAL BOAT

- 2.1 The signal boat for this course will display code flag C. This may be removed just prior to the first race of the day.

3. DIVISION SPLITS, AND ORDER OF START

- 3.1 Division splits, and order of start will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28. The order of start for the first race each day will be as posted. Subsequent races will be started as soon as practicable.

4. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 The VHF channel for this course is Canadian 71.

5. MARKS

- 5.1 The Mark descriptions will be posted by 2000 Thursday July 28.

