

Kenosha Yacht Club
Thursday & Sunday Series 2017
Notice of Race & Sailing Instructions – Rev2

1. Rules
 - 1.1. **The series will be governed by current prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, and by these sailing instructions.**
 - 1.2. **Decision to Race – The Responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.**
2. Entries
 - 2.1. **Eligible competitors may enter by submitting the Kenosha Yacht Club Registration form at <http://www.yachtscoring.com> two hours before the first start on the day you wish to sail.**
3. Notices to Competitors
 - 3.1. **Notices to competitors may be posted on the official notice board located at the Kenosha Yacht Club or <http://www.yachtscoring.com>.**
4. Changes in Sailing Instructions
 - 4.1. **Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted a minimum of two hours before the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the normal Thursday or Sunday Schedule of races will be posted 6 hours in advance. Email notification will be attempted for all competitors and via the KYC Yahoo Group.**
5. Signals Made Ashore
 - 5.1. **All signals will be made verbally or via radio broadcast on Channel 68 or at the Kenosha Yacht Club.**
6. Schedule of Races
 - 6.1. **See Race Schedule on KYC Web site for racing dates and times.**
 - 6.2. **First warning signal for the race will normally be at 18:20 for the Thursday Night Series. Note in mid-August the time will move up to 5:50pm due to available daylight.**
 - 6.3. **First warning signal for the 1st race will normally be a 10:50 for the Sunday Series.**
 - 6.4. **Buccaneer class shall typically start first. The Buccaneer start shall serve as the warning for PHRF class.**
 - 6.5. **No warning signal will be made after 19:30 on a day of racing.**
7. Classes
 - 7.1. **Three boats competing on a day shall constitute a fleet start. In the event a fleet does not have three boats, the fleets may be combined into a single start at the discretion of Race Committee. Fleets may still be scored separately.**
8. Racing Area
 - 8.1. **The racing area will be located within ½ mile northeast of the Port of Kenosha. See Appendix A for coordinates and headings.**
9. Courses
 - 9.1. **The course shall be announced visually on whiteboard located on the race committee boat AND/OR by radio on Channel 68. If radio communication fails, the course will be hailed between boats until all competitors are notified. See Appendix B for examples.**
10. Marks
 - 10.1. **Marks will be floating buoys. Permanent marks are cylindrical and yellow in color. If temporary marks are used, they will be orange inflatables unless otherwise specified by race committee.**

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11. Start

11.1. Races will be started as follows unless notified by Race Committee that a Jack Rabbit Start (11.2.) is being used.

11.1.1. Warning Signal – 5 minutes before the start – Class flag up, horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68.

11.1.2. Preparatory Signal – 4 minutes before the start – [P, I, Z, Z with I or black flag up], Class flag up, 1 horn, and courtesy announcement on Channel 68.

11.1.3. One Minute Signal – 1 minute before the start – Preparatory flag removed, Class flag up, 1 long horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68

11.1.4. Start Signal – Class flag removed, horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68

11.1.5. The start will be between the two marks designated as the starting line

11.2. Jack Rabbit Start (alternative starting option)

11.2.1. The “Rabbit” is the boat that will start the race. She may be appointed by the Race Committee OR elected by the fleet if the Race Committee is not present.

11.2.2. A “Starting Mark” will be selected before the start sequence

11.2.3. The “Finishing Mark” will be the same mark used for the start and must be passed fairly close on the windward side.

11.2.4. In the prestart, the “Rabbit” will sail (reach back and forth) above the “Starting Mark” (mostly to the right side of it). The “Rabbit” will announce the course on the radio and may display on the course board on the starboard side of the boat (if possible).

11.2.5. All other boats must stay down wind of the “Rabbit” prior to the start.

11.2.6. The “Rabbit” will provide three (3) sounds in the starting sequence

11.2.6.1. The first sound will be when the “Rabbit” starts to head back toward the “Starting mark” (and then sails past it)

11.2.6.2. The second sound will be when the “Rabbit” tacks (or gybes) to head back for the “Starting Mark”, sailing close-hauled on port tack.

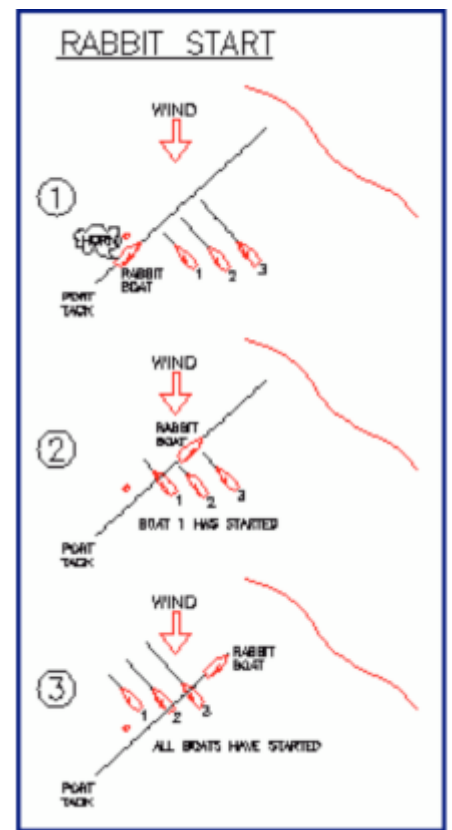
11.2.6.3. The third sound will be when the “Rabbit” passes the “Starting Mark” (this indicates the start of the race). *The “Rabbit” will attempt to time this with the fleet’s standard “start” time to make ensure scoring accuracy.*

11.2.7. The “Starting Line” is defined on one end by the “Starting Mark” and the other end by the aft-most point on the “Rabbit”.

11.2.8. All other boats will cross the starting line on starboard tack and, once across, will have started. They must remain on this, starboard, tack for at least 2 minutes.

11.2.9. Once all the other boats have started, but no later than 2 minutes after the starting signal, the “Rabbit” is free to tack to starboard if the skipper so chooses.

11.2.10. All boats need to record their own finish time when abeam of, and as close as possible to, the finish mark. Use GPS time when possible, otherwise use your synchronized cell phone time, and record time to the second. Times shall be



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communicated (emailed) to the Race Committee within 48 hours of the finish of the race to be scored.

Notes:

- Boats that find themselves to windward and unable to cross behind the “Rabbit” as well as boats that did not start before the “Rabbit” **tacks to starboard, will be considered “OCS”** (on the course side of the starting line at start.)
- **These boats must round the pin end of the starting line (keeping the mark to port) in order to be counted as a starter (no dip starts permitted.)**
- **During this maneuver, the OCS vessel must keep clear of all boats who have properly started.**
- **Your elapsed time starts counting at the starting signal.**

12. Recalls

- 12.1. **An individual recall will be signaled by flag and a second horn, and a courtesy broadcast on Channel 68 of the sail number or boat description.**
- 12.2. **A general recall shall be signaled by flag and 2 additional horns and a courtesy broadcast on Channel 68.**
- 12.3. **General comments and criticism from the competitors may follow. This shall carry no weight.**

13. The Finish

- 13.1. **The finish will be between the marks and race committee boat or pier head that has been designated as the finish as part of the course description.**

14. Penalty System

- 14.1. **Only a 360-degree turn penalty, Rule 44.2 modified, will be required.**

15. Protests

- 15.1. **Protests shall be written and submitted with 30 minutes after the last boat’s finish in that race.**
- 15.2. **Protests properly submitted will be heard on the day of the race by a committee of peers agreed to by consensus.**
- 15.3. **A written and submitted protest automatically volunteers you for race committee duty for a term agreed upon by the current race committee.**

16. Scoring

- 16.1. **Scoring in accordance with the US Sailing 2017-2020 RRS Appendix A.**
- 16.2. **A competitor’s score will be the sum of her races scored divided by the total races scored.**
- 16.3. **A competitor shall have 20% of the races (rounded) excluded from the scoring.**

17. Finishing

- 17.1. **A boat that retires prior to the start sequence will be awarded a DNS.**
- 17.2. **A boat that retires after starting the race will be awarded a DNF.**
- 17.3. **Boats that assist a competitors boat that appear to be in a dangerous situation will be addressed redress.**

18. Time Limit

- 18.1. **All boats shall finish within 2 hours of the start (unless the race is a ‘distance’ race). Any boats not finishing by this time will be scored DNF.**

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18.2. Any boat not finishing within one hour of the first boat shall be scored DNF.

18.3. The time limit for each leg is 1 hour, unless the race is a 'distance' race.

19. Safety

19.1. All competitors and safety boat operators shall carry an approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) for each person on the boat.

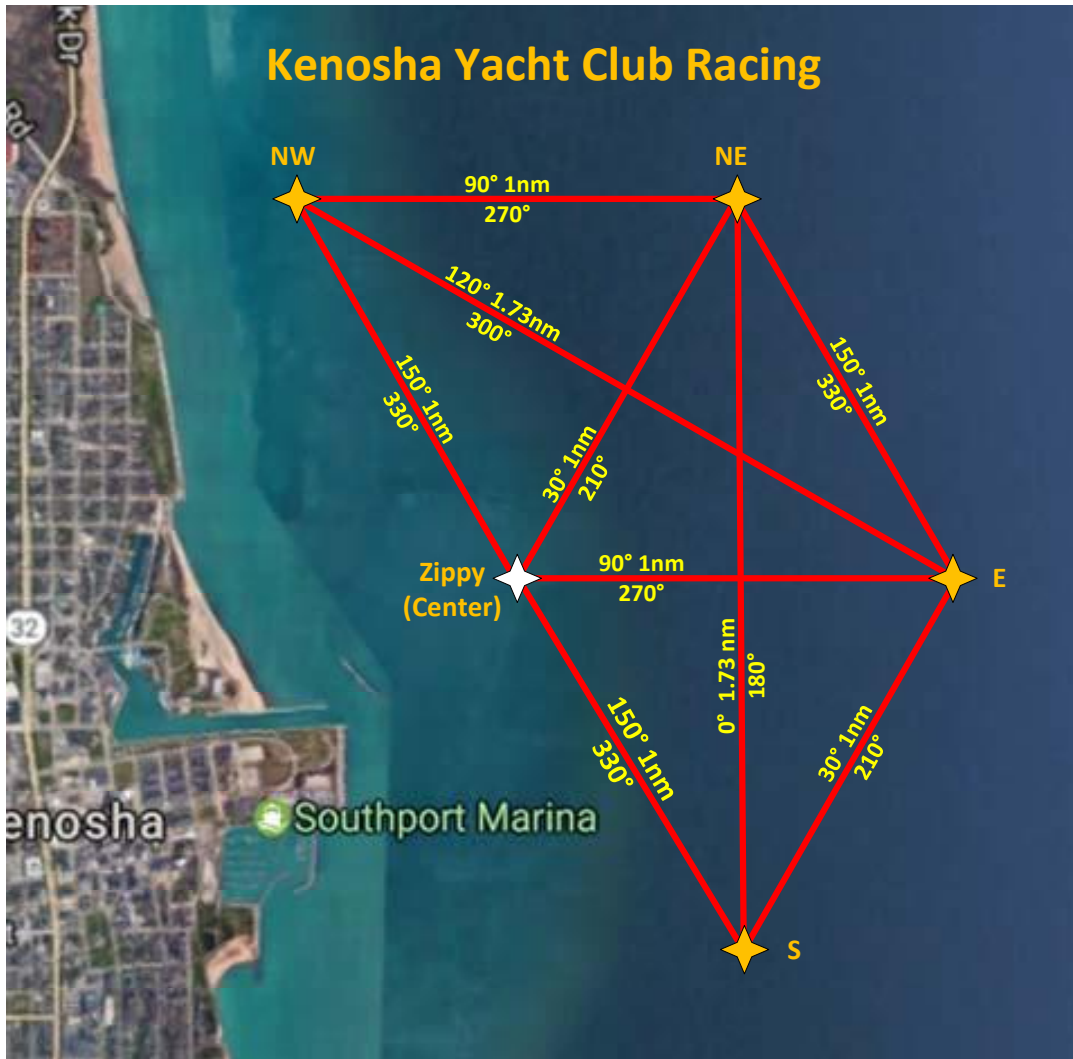
19.2. Races may be cancelled by the race committee. An announcement will be made via radio.

20. Prizes

20.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each fleet per series per season.

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APPENDIX A – RACE AREA



GPS Coordinates:

| | | | |
|----------|----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Zippy/C: | 42.592483 -87.798380 | 42° 35.54900 N | 87° 47.90283 W |
| NW: | 42.606972 -87.809706 | 42° 36.41833 N | 87° 48.58233 W |
| NE: | 42.606973 -87.787056 | 42° 36.41833 N | 87° 47.22333 W |
| E: | 42.592482 -87.775735 | 42° 35.54900 N | 87° 46.54416 W |
| S: | 42.577993 -87.787059 | 42° 34.67950 N | 87° 47.22350 W |

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APPENDIX B – POSSIBLE COURSE ‘EXAMPLES’

| NAME | Wind | | | Course | Distance (nm) | |
|-------------|-------------|----|-----|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| NE | 0 | to | 60 | C - NE - NW - C | 3 | |
| NE2 | 0 | to | 60 | C - NE - S - C | 3.73 | Leave marks to starboard |
| E | 60 | to | 120 | C - E - NE - C | 3 | |
| E2 | 60 | to | 120 | C - E - NW - C | 3.73 | |
| SE | 120 | to | 180 | C - S - E - C | 3 | |
| SE2 | 120 | to | 180 | C - S - NW - C | 4 | |
| SE3 | 120 | to | 180 | C - S - E - NW - C | 4.73 | |
| SE4 | 120 | to | 180 | C - S - E - NE - C | 4 | |
| SW | 180 | to | 240 | Temp - C - E - NE - C | 3+ | |
| SW | 180 | to | 240 | Temp - C - S - NE - C | 3.73+ | |
| W | 240 | to | 300 | Temp - S - E - C | 3+ | |
| W2 | 240 | to | 300 | Temp - C - NW - E - C | 3.73+ | Leave marks to starboard |
| NW | 300 | to | 360 | C - NW - NE - C | 3 | Leave marks to starboard |
| NW2 | 300 | to | 360 | C - NW - S - C | 4 | |
| NW3 | 300 | to | 360 | C - NW - E - S - C | 4.73 | Leave marks to starboard |