



OAKCLIFF
TRIPLE CROWN SERIES

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Stage 3

October 20-21 , 2018

Sailing Instructions

Abbreviations:

PC – protest committee	RC – race committee
OA – organizing authority	NA – national authority
RRS – racing rules of sailing	SI – sailing instructions
IJ – international jury	NOR – notice of race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Class Rules for the i470, 49er, 49erFX and Nacra 17 classes will apply however IHC stickers will not be required on masts and sails and country flags will not be required on sails.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures For Rule 42, will apply as changed by Addendum F.
- 1.4 Races will be conducted using modified Umpired Fleet Racing as described in Addendum F.
- 1.5 US Sailing Prescriptions 63.2 & 63.4 will not apply.

2 IDENTIFICATION

Appendix G3, Identification on sails, will apply. Boats chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of class rules. In no circumstances will a boat be permitted to race displaying the sail number of another boat in her class that is racing. This changes rule G3.

3 CAMERA AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Competitors may be required to carry on board cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority. A boat shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes rule 62.1. All competitors are requested to send video or photos to pr@oakcliffsailing.org to be uploaded to the Oakcliff Sailing Facebook page and website.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the door of the shipping container at Oakcliff Sailing's Beach.

5 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be made by 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.2 Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water and communicated to the competitors with the help of umpire and support boats.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official Notice Board and competitors will be notified through YachtScoring.com. When a signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that class only.
- 6.2 If AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

7 SCHEDULE

Friday, October 19	0900-1800	Mandatory on-site check in at Oakcliff Office
Saturday, October 20	0900	Competitors Meeting at Oakcliff Sailing Beach
	1030	First Signal
	1830	Dinner at Oakcliff Sailing – 2 South Street
Sunday, October 21	1030	First Signal
	1500	No races to be started after

Prize giving at the Oakcliff Beach following racing

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8 FORMAT OF RACING

- 8.1 12 fleet races are scheduled for each class.
- 8.2 A maximum of 6 races per day for each fleet may be sailed at the discretion of the race committee.

9 CLASS FLAGS

- 9.1 The class flag for the Nacra 17 class will be the Nacra 17 class flag.
- 9.2 The class flag for the 49er class will be numeral pennant 1.
- 9.3 The class flag for the 49erFX class will be numeral pennant 2.
- 9.4 The class flag for the 470 Class will be numeral pennant 3.

10 RACING AREA

- 10.1 Addendum A shows the approximate location of the race area.
- 10.2 The course location will be Cold Spring Harbor or Long Island Sound.

11 COURSES

- 11.1 Addendum B describes the course to be sailed.
- 11.2 Code Flag Charlie displayed with or before the warning signal of a class, with repeated sounds, means the first windward mark will be the change mark. Subsequent classes may or may not be started with Code Flag Charlie.
- 11.3 On the last leg to the finish, Mark 2B does not need to be honored.
- 11.4 Course Limits
No part of a boat's hull shall sail inside of an area three (3) boat lengths from a commercial fisherman. This area ranks as an obstruction for purposes of Part 2 of the RRS. A breach of this sailing instruction is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by umpires in accordance with SI Addendum F.

12 MARKS

- 12.1 Mark 1 will be an orange cylinder for the 49er, 49erFX, and Nacra 17 classes. Mark 1 will be a yellow tetrahedron for the 470 class.
- 12.2 Marks 2A and 2B will be short orange cylinders, and form a gate.
- 12.3 If only one orange cylinder is set, it will be Mark 2A (port).
- 12.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying the Oakcliff flag on the Signal boat and the course side of a yellow inflatable mark on the port side of the line.
- 12.5 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Signal boat and the course side of a red inflatable mark on the starboard side of the line.
- 12.6 The windward change mark will be a yellow cylinder for the 49er, 49erFX, and Nacra 17. The windward change mark will be an orange tetrahedron for the 470 Class.

13 START

- 13.1 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

- 13.2 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.
- 13.3 Boats whose sails numbers are hailed as BFD or UFD by an umpire boat following a Black Flag or U Flag Start shall clear the racecourse.

14 CHANGE OF COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next windward mark of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and signal a course change at the gate according to RRS 33 with the addition of the class flag of the class who's course is being changed.
- 14.2 The gate may be adjusted to be squared without signaling a course change while boats are on the first half of the leg. This modifies RRS 33.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The time limits and target time for each class (in minutes) are as follows:

Class	Race Limit	First Mark Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
49er	45	15	10	25
49er FX	45	15	10	25
Nacra 17	45	15	15	20
470	60	25	15	40

- 15.2 A race in which no boat in a Class rounds the first mark within the above First Mark Limit following the start, or sails the course and finishes within the Race Limit following the start, will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within the finish window (the time 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.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16 APPEALS

Decisions of an International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.2 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Oakcliff prizes will be awarded to the top three (3) finishers in each class.
- 18.2 Prize grants will be awarded in accordance with NOR 14 and NOR B.

19 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 19.1 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at the boat's request or at the request of the race committee, support and coach boats shall stay 100 feet outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first Class to start until the time the last boat finishes or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The Race Committee will communicate over VHF CH 69.
- 19.2 The penalty for failing to comply with these requirements or the oral instructions of the race committee, the protest committee or umpires will be at the discretion of the protest committee. The penalty may be imposed on any or all boats associated with the support or coach boat. This adds to RRS 64.4.

20 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 20.1 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall promptly report this to the race committee or umpires and receive acknowledgement. If this is not possible, she shall promptly report her actions to a member of the Organizing Authority on shore at the launching area or in the Oakcliff office.
- 20.2 Prior to the Warning Signal for the first race a boat is scheduled to sail each race day, the boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the Signal Boat, and shall hail her sail number and skipper last name until acknowledged by the race committee.
- 20.3 The penalty for failing to comply with SI 20.2 will be finishing place plus two (2) points without a hearing, but not worse than DNF. This changes rule 63.1 and 64.1

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile devices.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 22.1 Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.
- 22.2 Competitors are asked to bring reusable water bottle to be refilled aboard race committee and coach boats. Oakcliff does not support the use of single-use bottles.

23 DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, race committee, host club and their officers, employees and volunteers 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.

24 OAKCLIFF POLICY

Whenever you are representing Oakcliff Sailing it is expected that you will behave in a professional manner. Any time you are wearing Oakcliff Sailing Center or organization branded gear, at a sponsored event, at a sailing event as part of Oakcliff Sailing, at the Oakcliff Sailing Center, or on their boats, you are representing Oakcliff. The community at large and specifically the sailing community, sponsors and suppliers, and other employees and volunteers are to be treated with respect. There is to be no harassment or discrimination. No underage drinking or promoting of underage drinking or illegal drug use is permitted while you are on Oakcliff Sailing Center property or representing the Oakcliff Sailing Center.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum policy limit of US \$500,000 per occurrence or the equivalent.

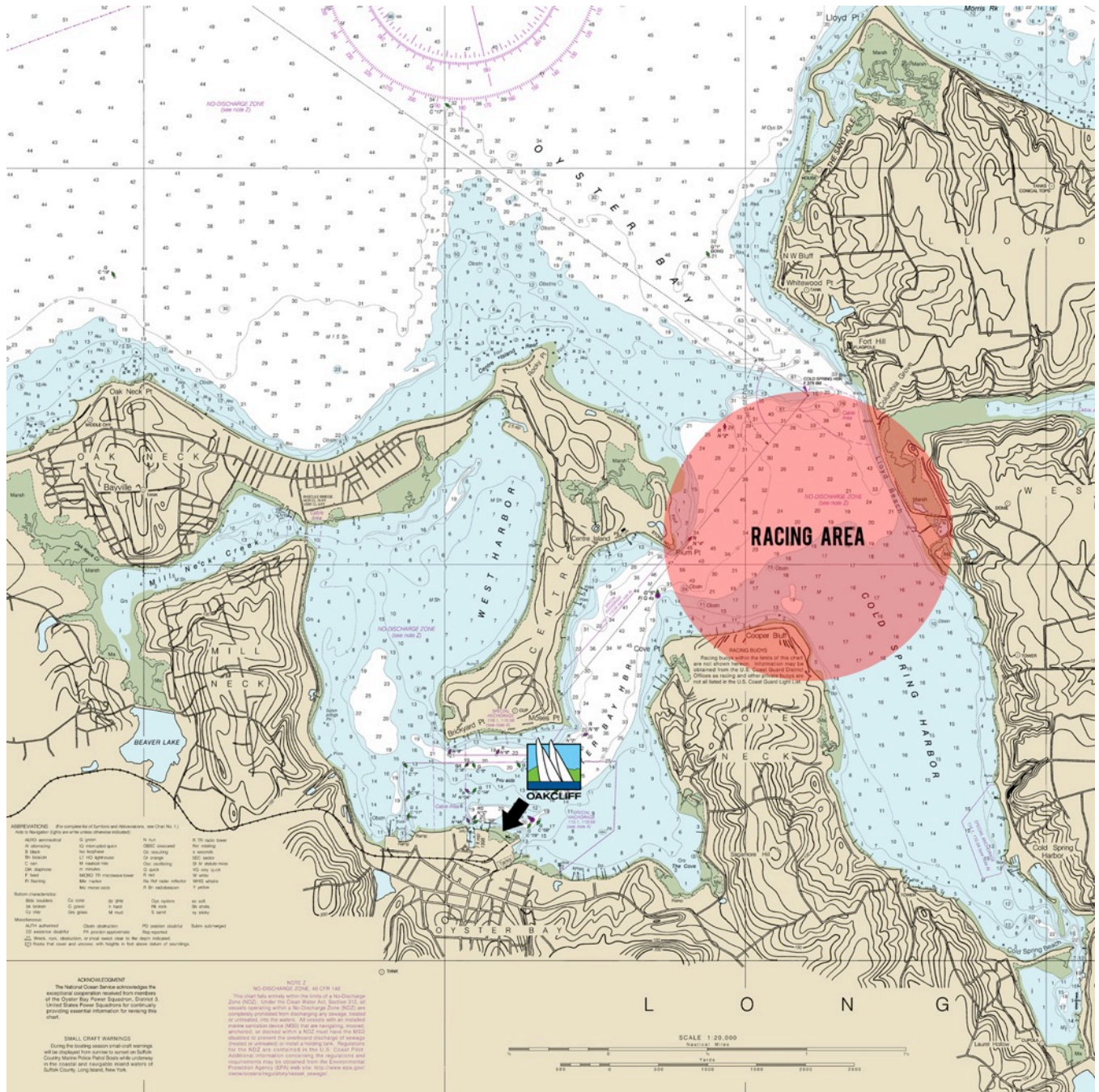
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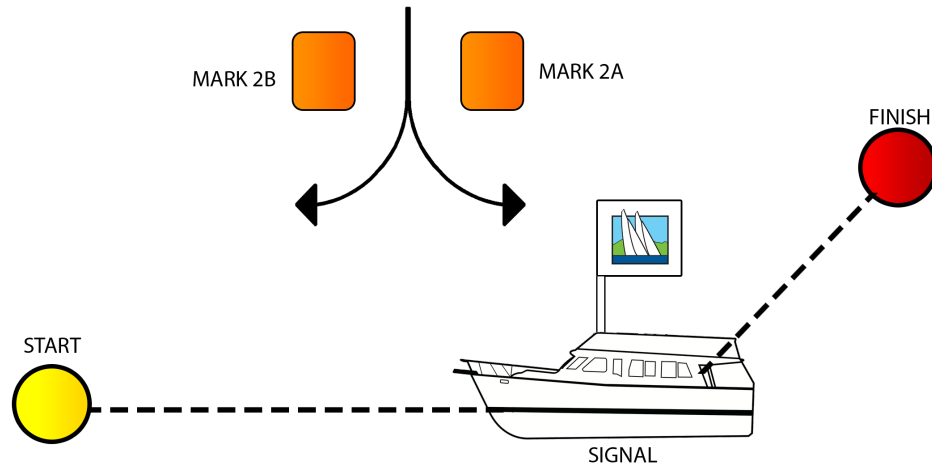
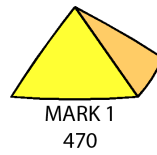
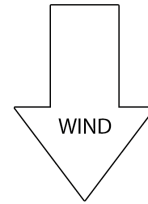
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ADDENDUM A RACING AREA



ADDENDUM B COURSES



Course	
470	Start, 1 P, 1A P, 2A/2B(gate), 1 P, 1A P, 2A P, Finish
49er, 49erFX, Nacra 17	Start, 1 P, 2A/2B(gate), 1 P, 2A P, Finish

ADDENDUM F

OAKCLIFF FLEET RACE UMPIRING ADDENDUM

PREAMBLE: The races in this event will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing as changed by this addendum. This addendum changes the following rules: 44; 60; 61; 62; 63; 64.1; 65; 66; Appendix P.

1. *RULES:*
 - A. Add new rule 8 to Part 1: LAST POINT OF CERTAINTY
The umpires will assume that the state of a boat, or her relationship to another boat, has not changed, until they are certain that it has changed.
 - B. The word “hail” in rule 20 is defined as follows:
 - i. for “room to tack”, a call out of “room to tack” and repeated arm signals by the helmsman clearly pointing to windward; and
 - ii. for “you tack”, a call out of “you tack” and repeated arms signals by the helmsman clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.
 - C. The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with the following: a boat may take a one turn penalty voluntarily in accordance with rule 44.2 when, in an incident while racing, she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 [except rule 14 when she has caused injury or damage], rule 31, or rule 42.
 - i. a boat may take a voluntary or umpire imposed penalty while racing before starting and before finishing.
 - D. No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by the umpires except as permitted below [this changes rule 60.1(b)]:
 - i. when a boat protests for a breach of a rule of Part 2 of the RRS, rule 31 or 42, and no boat takes a voluntary penalty and there is no decision signaled by an umpire, the protesting boat may then file a protest for the incident.
 - E. Appendix P1 – P4 will not apply; Appendix P5 will apply.
 - F. Rules 60.2[a] and 60.3[a] do not apply to rules for which umpires may impose penalties.
 - G. The provisions for exonerating a boat in rule 21 and in rule 64.1[a] may be applied by an umpire without a hearing and this rule takes precedence over any conflicting rule of this addendum. This changes rule 64.1[a].

- H. Rule 65 does not apply to decisions made by umpires.
- I. The time limit in rule 66 for a party to request a reopening of a hearing conducted by a protest committee is changed to 30 minutes after the party is informed of the protest committee's decision.
- J. A boat may not request redress under RRS 62.1(a). The protest committee may request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress under that rule if it believes that there is a significant reason for doing so. This changes rules 60.1(b), 62.1(a).
- K. The prescriptions to rules 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- L. Rule 63.1 is modified to provide as follows: A boat or competitor shall not be penalized without a protest hearing except as provided in rules 30.2, 30.3, 30.4, 64.3(d), 69, 78.2, A5, and in this Umpire Addendum. A decision on redress shall not be made without a hearing except as provided in this Umpire Addendum. The protest committee shall hear all protests and requests for redress that have been delivered to the race office unless it allows a protest or request to be withdrawn.

2. *SIGNALS BY UMPIRES:*

- A. A green and white flag with one long sound means "no penalty".
- B. A red flag with one long sound means "the identified boat shall take a penalty as soon as reasonably possible".
- C. A yellow flag with one long sound means "the incident will be reported to the protest committee".
- D. A black flag displayed with one long sound means the competitor is disqualified and shall leave the race course.

3. *PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS*

- A. A boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 [except rule 14 unless damage or injury results], 31, and 42 by hailing "protest" and by clearly displaying a red flag immediately after an incident in which she was involved; she shall remove her flag as soon as possible after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty turn voluntarily, after a decision is displayed by an umpire, or after a reasonable time when there is no penalty taken and no umpire signal. This changes rule 61.1[a].

- B. A boat may protest another boat under any other rule, or request redress, in accordance with the RRS except as provided in this Umpire Addendum.
 - C. The protest time limit shall be one hour after the RC signal boat docks/moors.
 - D. The protest committee may take evidence in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally. This changes rule 63.6.
 - E. If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race, it may make an arrangement that it decides is equitable, and that may be to impose no penalty. This changes rule 64.1.
4. *UMPIRE DECISIONS & PENALTIES: this changes rule 64.1.*
- A. After a boat protests another boat under 3[A] above, the umpires shall decide whether to penalize any boat and shall signal their decision in compliance with 2 above.
 - B. When the umpires decide that a boat has broken a rule of Part 2, or rule 31 or 42, they shall penalize her by signaling in compliance with 2[B] above.
 - i. a boat penalized by an umpire shall take a Two-Turns Penalty except that, when an umpire hails the number of turns, the boat shall take that number of One-Turn Penalties.
 - ii. a boat that does not take a penalty signaled by an umpire in accordance with 2[B] above shall be disqualified in the race without a hearing.
 - C. When the umpires decide that a boat has
 - i. gained an advantage by breaking a rule after allowing for a penalty, or
 - ii. deliberately broken a rule, or
 - iii. committed a breach of sportsmanship, or
 - iv. broken rule 31, or
 - v. broken rule 42,
 they shall penalize her by signaling in compliance with 2[B], 2[C], 2[D], 2[B & C], or 2 [D & C] above.
 - D. When the umpires decide that a boat may have broken a rule other than a rule of Part 2, 31, or 42, they may refer the matter to the protest committee for its action by signaling in compliance with 2[C] above.

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