



BLOODY MARY REGATTA

Sailing Instructions



The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes rule 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. The rules are changed as follows:
 - 1.2.1. Rules 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10 are amended to add: "The time limit is 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish in its class and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing and scored for the finishing place 2 more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within her Finishing Window."
 - 1.2.2. The following is added to rule 62.1: "If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number orally and via VHF radio. Failure to hail her number, failure to hear such hail, and the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request."
 - 1.2.3. Appendices A5.1 and A5.2 are amended to add: "A boat that has not met the definition of *start* 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS."
 - 1.2.4. Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will be in effect.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted no less than 1.5 hours before the first Warning Signal on the day it will take effect except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located at the WCSC clubhouse.
- 3.2. The race office is located at the WCSC clubhouse.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 71, including courtesy broadcasts.
- 3.4. [DP] [NP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency or to inform race committee that a boat is retiring before finishing, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RC signal boat at the dock.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Day	Date	Time	
Saturday	October 29	1100	Competitors Meeting – Clubhouse Lawn
Saturday	October 29	1300	1 st Warning Signal Additional races to immediately follow
Sunday	October 30	0930	1 st Warning Signal Additional races to immediately follow
Sunday	October 30	1230	No Warning Signal after this time

6. CLASS FLAGS

The class flag will be the Thistle Class pennant.

7. COURSES

- 7.1. The courses to be sailed are illustrated in Addendum 1 which shows the course designations and the number of legs.
- 7.2. All marks are to be rounded to port.
- 7.3. The course designation will be displayed on the back of the race committee signal boat.
- 7.4. The compass heading to the 1st mark will be displayed aft of the cabin top on the race committee signal boat.

8. MARKS

- 8.1. The starting mark will be a red fender ball.
- 8.2. Marks A and C will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 8.3. Finishing Mark:
 - 8.3.1. The finishing mark for course WL4 will be a blue fender ball.
 - 8.3.2. The finishing mark for course WL5 will be Mark A.
- 8.4. New marks will be yellow tetrahedrons. If the course is changed again, the original marks will be used.

9. SAFETY CHECK-IN

[DP] [NP] Each boat shall check in before its first warning signal each day. Competitors shall sail past the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between the “Orange” flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the starting mark at the port end.
- 10.3. The starting signal for each race may be preceded by short repetitive sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.
- 10.4. If any part of a boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number orally and via VHF radio.
- 10.5. A boat that has not met the definition of *start* within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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 a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finish line will be between the “Blue” flag on a race committee boat and the finishing mark.

12.2. Boats that retire before finishing shall inform the race committee as soon as possible.

12.3. If the RC finish boat displays Code Flag “A” with no sound signal while boats are finishing, it means ‘No more racing today’.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1. The Race Time Limit (see rule 35) and Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
90 minutes	30 minutes

13.2. If no boat has finished within the Race Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

13.3. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two points more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

14.1. Hearing Request Forms will be available at the RC Signal Boat or WCSC Clubhouse.

14.2. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC Signal Boat docks. The race committee will blow a horn to signify the beginning of the protest period. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

14.3. Notices will be posted no later than 15 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 at the WCSC clubhouse.

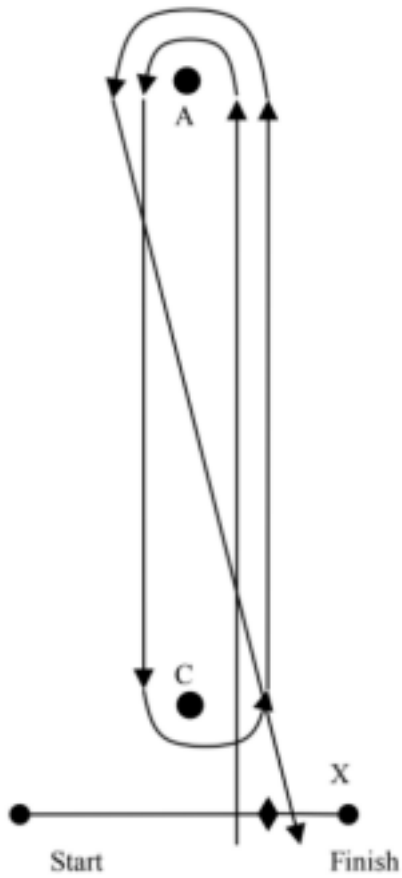
15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] [NP] Each boat shall be equipped with all required safety gear and is subject to an inspection by the race committee.

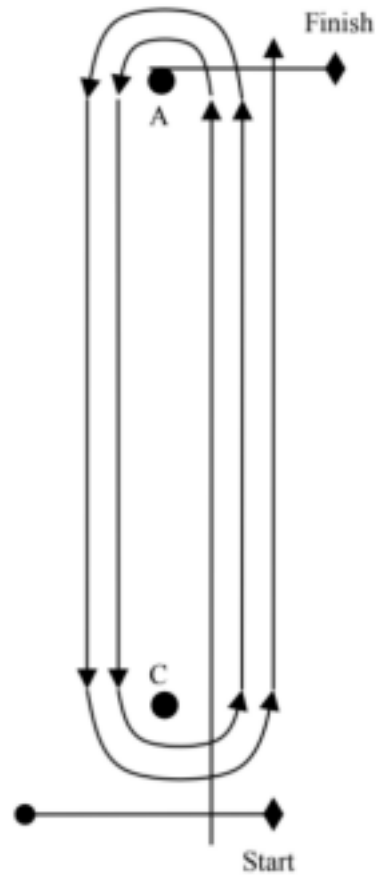
ADDENDUM 1

Course Diagrams are Approximate and Not to Scale

Course "WL4"



Course "WL5"



WL4: Start – A – C – A – Finish

WL5: Start – A – C – A – C - Finish