



# Sailing Instructions for WOW Regatta 2023 Derby Dames Race for the Roses Distance Course

**May 6, 2023**

**Western Carolina Sailing Club, Anderson, SC**



## **1. Rules**

- ▶ The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024.
- ▶ Each racing sailboat on the distance course must have a female at the helm throughout the duration of each race or in a separate fleet each sailboat must have a female participating on the boat.

## **2. Entry**

- ▶ Competitors may enter by completing registration on the WCSC website or at the WCSC Derby Dames Regatta registration desk.

## **3. Notices to Competitors**

- ▶ Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board in the WCSC clubhouse.

## **4. Changes in Sailing instructions**

- ▶ Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on Notice board by 11:00am the day it will take effect

## **5. Signals Made Ashore**

- ▶ Signals made ashore will be displayed on the WCSC flagpole
- ▶ When code flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" will be replaced by "Not less than 30 minutes" in "Race Signals" section of the RRS.

## **6. Schedule of Races**

- ▶ Saturday 1200 Race warning signal

## **7. Racing Area**

- ▶ The racing area will be in front of the WCSC property.
- ▶ Fleets and starts will be announced at the Skippers' meeting. Published copies of time delays will be posted.

## **8. Course**

► The Distance Race Fleet will round government marks. Those marks will be announced at the Skippers' meeting.

## **9. The Start**

► Races will be started using Pursuit start. Time Delays are assigned based on Handicap of the boat and a table of those delays will be published and provided to each boat. The time delay clock will start at 1200 and boats will start no sooner than their delay after the clock starts.

► The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end and a red ball or govt mark at the port end. As a courtesy, the RC will put up a class flag at 1159 and take it down at 1200 thus starting the time delay clock.

## **10. The Finish**

► The finish line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and a red ball or govt mark.

## **11. Penalty System**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **12. Time Limit**

► The overall time limit for the distance course will be 4 hours for the first boat to finish and 90 minutes after the first boat finishes for all other boats.

## **13. Scoring**

► The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

► The distance fleet is scheduled for one race. One race shall be completed to constitute a regatta.

► No Score shall be excluded. This changes RRS A2.

► All boats will be scored using PHRF or Portsmouth ratings as appropriate to their boat. Portsmouth ratings will be converted to PHRF for calculating time delay.

## **14. Safety**

► Each competitor is solely responsible for his or her own safety and, by participation, agrees to sail and utilize WCSC's facilities at his or her own risk. WCSC or persons assisting with the conduct of races shall not be held responsible for damage or injury suffered during races or related activities.

► A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the course area or immediately after arriving ashore via radio contact.