



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Flying Scot®

Women's North American Championship

Madison, Wisconsin

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Hosted by Lake Monona Sailing Club

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Organizing Authorities: Flying Scot® Sailing Association ("FSSA") and Lake Monona Sailing Club ("LMSC")

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").
- 1.2 The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions ("SI's") means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Olbrich Park Biergarten and at www.lakemononasailing.com.
- 2.2 The Race Office will be located at Olbrich Park Biergarten or in the Regatta Trailer located near the Olbrich Park Boat Landing.
- 2.3 Regatta Contact: Regatta Co-Chair Dave Gorwitz at (608) 320-3366 or dave@gorwitz.com.
- 2.4 Copies of US Sailing Prescriptions available at the Race Office for non-USA competitors.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the SI's will be posted before 0900 on the day they will take effect, except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted before 2000 the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Olbrich Park Biergarten and at www.lakemononasailing.com.
- 4.2 When Code Flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes." This changes RRS *Race Signals*.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Competitors' meetings Saturday, July 27, at 0945, and Sunday, July 28, at 0845, at Olbrich Park Biergarten.
- 5.2 Five races scheduled.
- 5.3 Races scheduled as follows:
 - 5.3.1 Saturday July 27 First Warning Signal of the Day 1100, subsequent races to follow
 - 5.3.2 Sunday July 28 First Warning Signal of the Day 1000, subsequent races to follow
 - 5.3.3 Sunday July 28 No Warning Signal after 1400
- 5.4 Code Flag A displayed (with no sound) while boats are finishing means, "*No more racing today.*"
- 5.5 Code Flag H displayed (with no sound) while boats are finishing means, "*Return to harbor and watch for further signals.*"

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flag for the Championship Division will be a white flag with a blue FS insignia.
- 6.2 The class flag for the Challenger Division will be a white flag with a red FS insignia.
- 6.3 Challenger Division boats shall display the colored streamer provided at on-site check-in/registration, which shall be flown from the leech of the mainsail at least 12 inches and not more than 36 inches above the clew.

7. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 7.1 The Race Committee ("**RC**") will use VHF Channel 72 to communicate with competitors.
- 7.2 Competitors are requested to only contact the RC on the water in the event of emergencies, to report safety issues, to retire from a race, or to report a protest or penalty taken.

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1 The race area will be in the vicinity of the center of Lake Monona.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 No later than the warning signal, the course designation will be displayed on the stern of the RC signal vessel.
- 9.2 The courses to be sailed are windward-leeward as shown in the attached course diagram ("**Course Diagram**").
- 9.3 There will be an offset mark (*Mark 1a*) at the windward mark (*Mark 1*). If after the first leg of the race the course is changed, *Mark 1a* will not be used.
- 9.4 There will be a leeward gate (*Marks 2G*). If a gate mark is missing or is significantly out of place, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.5 Except for the leeward gate, all marks shall be rounded to port.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 The starting marks will be an orange ball and the staff bearing an orange shape on the RC vessel.
- 10.2 The windward mark and gate marks will be yellow cylinders.
- 10.3 The offset mark will be an orange ball.
- 10.4 The finishing marks will be an orange ball and the staff bearing a blue shape on the RC vessel.
- 10.5 Change marks will be orange balls. For subsequent changes, the original marks will be used.

11. SAFETY CHECK-IN

- 11.1 [NP] When the RC signal vessel displays Code Flag L prior to the first warning signal each day, competitors shall sail past the stern of the RC signal vessel on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the RC. Each time a boat breaks this sailing instruction, it shall be posted on the Official Notice Board. The second time a boat breaks this sailing instruction, and every time thereafter, the penalty shall be applied to the first race of the day on which such infraction occurred and shall be: (a) the Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) or (b) another penalty. This changes RRS 60.1 and RRS 60.3.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.
- 12.3 As a courtesy, the warning signal for each Division may be preceded by a VHF announcement to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.
- 12.4 As a courtesy, the RC may, after the starting signal, hail the sail numbers of OCS boats via VHF Radio. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the failure of the RC to hail, or the failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within four minutes after her Division's starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.

13. CHANGED OR SHORTENED COURSE

- 13.1 If a changed or shortened course affects only one Division, the RC will display the class flag for the Division affected along with Code Flag C or Code Flag S. If no class flag is displayed, Code Flag C or Code Flag S applies to both Divisions.
- 13.2 No course will be shortened to fewer than three legs, two of which shall be to windward. The leg of the course from the windward mark to the offset mark will not count as a leg of the course for this rule.
- 13.3 The RC may make minor adjustments to a leg of the course without signaling provided no boat is sailing that leg.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on an RC vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 14.2 Boats retiring before finishing are requested to inform the RC as soon as possible and may do so by VHF.

15. TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The following time limits apply to each race:
 - 15.1.1 The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 30 minutes.
 - 15.1.2 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes.
 - 15.1.3 Any boat failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in their Division to sail the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish (“DNF”) as described in SI 17, below. This changes RRS 35 and RRS A10.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest. Protest forms will be available at the Race Office or Regatta Trailer and shall be filed within 30 minutes of the RC signal vessel docking time, which will be posted on the official notice board. The order of protests will be posted within 15 minutes of the end of the protest time. Protests will be held at the Olbrich Park Biergarten or in the Regatta Trailer, approximately in the order received.
- 16.2 Redress. If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, NSC, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board, a request for redress shall be made no later than 30 minutes after posting or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

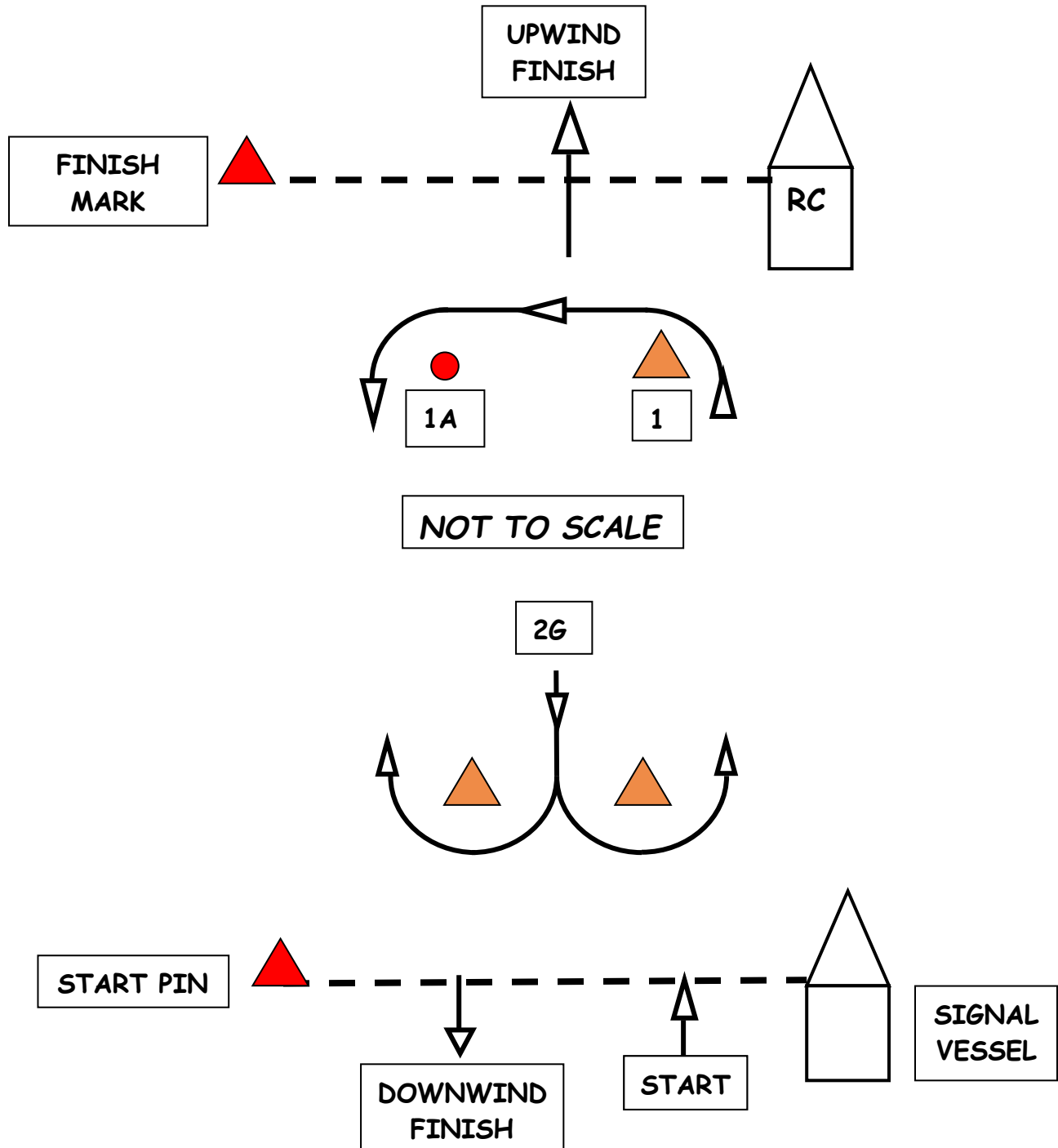
- 16.3 On the last day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing or a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2 and RRS 66.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply with the following modifications:
- 17.1.1 One race must be completed for each Division to constitute a series for that Division.
 - 17.1.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, and no score shall be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.
 - 17.1.3 A boat scored DNC, DNS, OCS, UFD, BFD, NSC, DNF, RET, DSQ or DNE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats assigned to its Division. This changes RRS A5.2.

[Course Diagrams on Following Page]

FLYING SCOT WOMEN'S NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP
 COURSE DIAGRAMS
 WINDWARD-LEEWARD



COURSE WA2: START-1-1A-2G-FINISH (upwind)
 COURSE LA2: START-1-1A-2G-1-1A-FINISH (downwind)
 COURSE WA3: START-1-1A-2G-1-1A-2G-FINISH (upwind)
 COURSE LA3: START-1-1A-2G-1-1A-2G-1-1A-2G-FINISH (downwind)
 NOTE: MARK COLORS AND SHAPES ARE SCHEMATIC ONLY.