

# 2020 DRYA STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE POINT TO POINT AND AC COURSES

*These Sailing Instructions are effective for all regattas on and after May 31, 2020.*

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*These Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association (“DRYA”) Sailing Instructions (SIs) (including the course-specific Sailing Instructions on pages 4 -5) apply only to the extent that they are adopted by the DRYA-member club that sponsors a regatta (“Sponsoring Club”) in its Sailing Instructions for the regatta. The Sponsoring Club may change these DRYA Sailing Instructions in the Sponsoring Club’s Sailing Instructions, which shall control if there is a conflict between the two.*

1. **RULES** - This regatta is governed by the “Rules” as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 (“RRS”). These include the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (“US Sailing”), the 2020 DRYA Notice of Race (except as any of these may be changed by the Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions. This SI shall be posted on the DRYA website <http://drya.org>

2. **AGREEMENT TO ASSUME RISK** - In consideration of being permitted to enter this regatta and being fully knowledgeable of the risks of sailing as a competitive sport, all participants, crew members and guests aboard assume all risks associated with participating in this regatta including all laws, regulations, and orders regarding Coronavirus( Covid19). Competing boats shall in all respects be ready for sea and sailed by an adequate and capable crew. It shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the skipper and crew of the boat to decide whether to start or continue a race. The skipper must assure that all equipment required by the United States Coast Guard, as well as other necessary safety equipment, is aboard and properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used. ***Due to the potential of sailing in international waters, it is strongly recommended that all persons on board possess appropriate identification to satisfy an inquiry from any law enforcement agency.***

3. **INTERFERENCE WITH COMMERCIAL SHIPPING** - **Boats are required to stay clear of all Commercial Shipping Traffic, including Tug/Barge Combinations, Lakers and Commercial Passenger Vessels.** In addition, boats crossing the shipping channel (see U.S. Chart #14850), are forbidden to interfere with major ships (Federal law 89-764). No restriction is placed on use of the water by other parties. Competitors therefore shall adhere to USCG Rule 18, which reads in part: “(b) A sailing vessel underway shall keep out of the way of: ... (ii) a vessel restricted in her ability to maneuver.” A boat receiving five (5) horn blasts from a commercial vessel transiting the ship channel may be protested by the Race Committee.

4. **TRASH DISPOSAL** - Discarding elastic or wool bands when setting a sail is permitted. This changes RRS 55.

5. **CLASS FLAGS** - Classes will be identified by the following class flags:

Course Start # and Class	Class Flag	# of Classes	Course Length
AC1 -PHRF 1 (59 and lower) and J120	#7 and #8	2	Long
AC2 -PHRF 2 (60-99)	F	1	Long
AC3 -PHRF 3 (100-150)	#1	1	Long
AC4 -C&C 35 and PHRF Cruise	#0 and E	2	Short
AC5 -PHRF 4 (151 and higher) and CAL 25	2nd Substitute and Class Logo*	2	Short
AC6 -DELTA DRYA JAM CLUB JAM	D Logo , #6, Club Burgee	3	Short

\*Black Class Logo on white field

## 5.1 RECOMMENDED START SEQUENCE FOR POINT TO POINT RACES- FASTEST BOATS FIRST

- PHRF 1
- J120
- PHRF 2
- PHRF 3
- C&C 35
- PHRF Cruise
- PHRF 4

**6. IDENTIFICATION** -. Boats shall display the class flag designated in Sailing Instruction 5, not smaller than size "0", from the aftermost backstay at least six feet above deck.

**6.1 RACE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS** - All Invited boats must register with the Club by the time established by each Club to meet DRYA's pre-registration requirements. Refer to the DRYA NOR Section 3.2 Race Registration Requirements. Boats not registered will not be scored.

**6.2 SHORTHANDED ON RACE DAY REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS** - Skippers that find they are short crew on race day and wish to race CLUB JAM shall call the RC Signal Boat PRIOR to the first Warning Signal for the day and state their intentions and boat details (Including owners name, boat name, sail number, and previous class).

**7. COURSES & MARKS** - All distances are approximate and in nautical miles (*nm*). The Starting Line Signal Boat shall display a placard(s) showing the approximate magnetic bearing and distances to the first mark. Except as provided in Sailing Instructions 11 and 12, all rounding marks are orange inflated pyramids. All marks shall be rounded to port except as provided in Sailing Instruction 12(b). Refer to the course specific descriptions and diagrams on pages 4 and 5. In the starting/finishing area the inflated pyramids may be replaced by MarkSet Bots. These are yellow or orange inflatable cone shapes made up of tube rings that decrease in diameter towards the top.

**8. STARTING** - Races will be started using RRS 26 and the class flags designated in Sailing Instruction 5. The warning signal for the first class on the AC Course is planned to be at 1030 hours.

**Attention Signal** - The Race Committee will make a series of short sound signals approximately one minute before the warning signal for (a) the first class to start a race, (b) any late-starting class whose warning signal is made after (not with) the starting signal for the preceding class and (c) the first class starting after a change of course in accordance with Sailing Instruction 11. However, no such "attention" signal will be made after a postponement or a general recall.

**Order and Number of Starts** - If there are boats from all classes in the racing area, classes will start the first race of the day in the order in which they are listed in Sailing Instruction 5. However, the Race Committee may eliminate the starting sequence for a class if no boats from the class are in the starting area. After the first race of the day, classes will be started in the same order unless the PRO elects to change the order. Classes will be signaled by class flags in accordance with RRS 26.

**9. LIMIT MARKS** - One or more limit marks may be set near the Starting Line Signal Boat and/or the Race Committee boat on station at the finishing line. A boat shall not touch a limit mark or sail between a limit mark and the Signal Boat or Race Committee boat. A boat that does so may exonerate herself by taking a One-Turn Penalty as provided in RRS 44.2. When separate start and finish Signal Boats are used on the AC Course, boats are prohibited from sailing between them. Boats doing so will be scored DSQ.

**10. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS** - In addition to signaling in accordance with RRS 29.1, the Race Committee may hail, or announce by VHF radio, the sail numbers of boats subject to individual recall. The failure to do so, an incorrect or late hail or announcement or the order in which sail numbers are hailed or announced shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.

**11. CHANGE OF COURSE BETWEEN STARTS** - In the event of a significant wind shift after the start of one or more classes, the Race Committee Signal Boat may signal a change of course for a class as follows: A postponement may be signaled to allow the RC to reset the line. A Flag C will be displayed. The new windward mark will be yellow. The magnetic bearing and distance - or + (RRS 33(b) to the new windward mark will be displayed and attention to the changes will be made by a series of short sound signals one minute before the warning signal for the first class starting after the change. The RC Signal Boat will continue to display flag "C" and the magnetic heading and distance - or + for all classes for which the new windward mark applies. When

in a subsequent change of course the new windward mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an orange mark.

## **12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER ALL STARTS**

(a) For Windward/Leeward Courses a change of course will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33. The new mark will be yellow, but subsequent course changes will alternate between orange and yellow marks.

(b) For Point to Point Courses when a green flag is displayed by the Race Committee signaling the change of course, the mark that begins the changed leg shall be rounded to starboard. Subsequent marks shall be rounded to port unless otherwise signaled by a green flag in accordance with the preceding sentence.

**13. a TIME LIMIT FOR POINT TO POINT COURSES** -The time limit for each class in a Point to Point Course Regatta is five (5) hours after its starting signal unless modified by the Sponsoring Club's Sailing Instructions. Any boat finishing within its time limit shall qualify that class within its division for any overall results, even if a class within the respective division did not qualify individually for the race.

**b. 15 MINUTE FINISH TIME WINDOW FOR ALL CLASSES ON W/L COURSES.** A Finishing Time Window shall be used for all classes on Windward / Leeward Races. Boats failing to finish within the 15 minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Window Expired (Boats entered + 1) without a hearing. This changes RRS35, A4 and A5. After the close of the Finishing Window Time boats may motor to the start of the next race. The finish time for the first boat to finish in each class will be announced over VHF Channel 72. The Time Limit for each class shall be 75 minutes, If no boat in a class finishes within the time limit the race for that class shall be abandoned.

**14. PROTESTS** -Protests shall be delivered by email to [ProtestsDRYA@gmail.com](mailto:ProtestsDRYA@gmail.com) no later than 1900 hours on the day of the regatta or two hours after the last boat in the protesting boat's class finishes the last race of the day, whichever is later. Fill-in protest forms and filing instructions are available at <http://drya.org>. Protest hearings will be held at Bayview Yacht Club, 100 Clairpointe, Detroit, MI beginning at 1900 hours on the first Monday after the regatta. The Protestor shall also notify by radio the Finish Line RC that they are protesting a boat or boats. Sail numbers of the boats involved must be given at that time.

**15. SCORING** - In accordance with RRS A2 each boat's score will be the total of its race scores with no scores excluded. The boats in all the classes will be scored according to their corrected times, calculated on a time on-time basis. Club JAM boats will not be scored for Season Standing.

**COURTESY BROADCASTS** - An unofficial designated observer may report all visual signals displayed by the Race Committee over the VHF channel designated for the course in Sailing Instruction AC8. Information so reported is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not alter the competitors' responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals, which govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions by the observer, or a competitor's failure to hear an observer's report, will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 621(a). For the safety of competitors and the convenience of the Race Committee boats that retire from the race are strongly requested to notify the Race Committee of their decision over the VHF channel designated for the course.

**SEE THE AC COURSE-SPECIFIC SAILING INSTRUCTIONS, INCLUDING COURSE DESCRIPTIONS AND DIAGRAMS, ON PAGES 4-5.**

## 2020 SAILING SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS FOR AC COURSE

**AC1. COURSE LOCATION** - The center of the AC Course circle bears approximately 041° magnetic, 4.0 nm from Peche Island Range Rear Light (F 115ft PA). The approximate location is 42° 24.75' North, 082° 51.52' West.

**AC2. STARTING AREA** - The starting area on each course shall be approximately 0.75 nm downwind from the center of the course circle. Approximately 30 minutes before the warning signal for the first race, a Race Committee Mark set boat will be near the center of the circle, displaying flag "L". This Race Committee Mark set boat shall proceed to the starting area after the Race Committee determines its location.

**AC3. START LINE** - The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Starting Line Signal Boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end green pyramid buoy or a markset bot. It shall be located approximately 150 yards to leeward of the leeward mark. The leeward mark is not a mark of the course on the first leg.

**AC4. FINISH LINE** - See diagram below. Boats shall finish between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of a green pyramid buoy or a markset bot which shall be left to port. The leeward mark has no significance on the last leg of the course. The Finish Line will be located approximately 100 yards downwind of the leeward mark. **NOTE:** On W/L courses there will be two Signal Boats, a start boat and a finish boat. Sail boats are prohibited from sailing between the two Signal Boats. Boats doing so will be scored DSQ. The two Signal Boats will be approximately 150 Feet apart with the Finish Boat more to weather than the Start Signal Boat. See diagram below.

**AC5. COURSES** -Boats will sail a windward-leeward course with four legs (Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - Downwind Finish). Mark 2 is not a mark of the first or last leg of the course. Races are targeted to be 45 to 60 minutes in duration and course length will be determined by wind conditions. A placard indicating the course to be sailed will be displayed no later than the warning signal for the first start.

**Course 1** - This Two windward marks will be set, both on the same bearing but one closer to the starting line than the other. Refer to the course diagram below. In these Sailing Instructions, the windward mark closer to the starting line is called "1S", and the other is called "1L".

**Course 2 - Leeward Gate:** This course will be identical to Course 1 except that a leeward gate will be set to windward of the start/finish line. Boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark before commencing the next leg. If one of the leeward gate marks is missing, boats shall round the one existing leeward mark to port. The gate is not a mark of the course during the first windward leg or during the final downwind leg of a race. See diagram below.

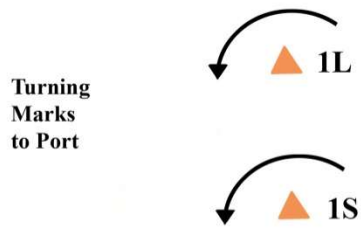
**AC6. COURSE LENGTH** - No later than the warning signal for the first start, the Starting Line Signal Boat shall display on a placard the approximate distance (nm) and bearing from the starting line to mark 1 (L and S). Starts 1,2 and 3 will sail the long course and the remaining starts 4-6 will sail the short course.

**Shortening Course.** In a Race if the Signal Boat signals a shortened course (displays flag S with sounds) before the first boat in each class has reached Mark 2. All boats will leave Mark 2 to port and then proceed to the finish line. This changes RRS 32.2

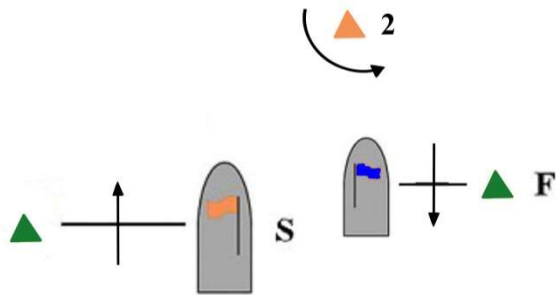
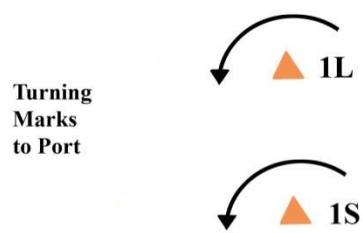
**AC7. NUMBER OF RACES** - The Race Committee may run two or three races, when in its judgment, time and conditions permit; attempting to finish the majority of the boats in the last race by 1500 hours. No race will be started after 1500 hrs. If the Race Committee intends to start another race, it shall display a numeral pennant 2 or 3 (with no sound) while boats are finishing the earlier race. After the first race of the day, the Race Committee may start classes in any order in accordance with RRS 26 and the class flags designated in Sailing Instruction 5. Boats starting a second or third race shall not interfere with boats finishing a race.

**AC8. RADIO MONITORING** - Boats are requested to monitor VHF channel 72 from one hour before the warning for the first start until after finishing.

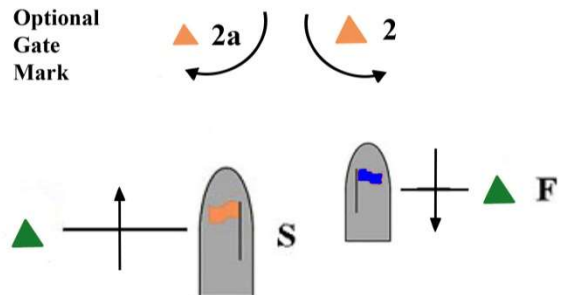
### AC Course 1



### AC Course 2



Starts 1, 2, 3    S, 1L, 2, 1L, F  
 Starts 4, 5, 6    S, 1S, 2, 1S, F



Starts 1, 2, 3    S, 1L, 2 or 2a, 1L, F  
 Starts 4, 5, 6    S, 1S, 2 or 2a, 1S, F