



LARCHMONT YACHT CLUB

New England Star Masters

Saturday, August 25 and Sunday August 26, 2007

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008* (RRS).
- 1.2 Part 5 Section B is changed to provide for arbitration of protests of Part 2 rules.

2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing registration and payment of entry fee as prescribed in the Notice of Race for the regatta.
- 2.2 Eligibility requirements for boats and competitors are set forth in the Notice of Race.

3 NOTICES AND CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front porch of the main clubhouse.
- 3.2 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 0930 on the day of the regatta. Copies will be available at the front desk of the Club and posted on the Official Notice Board.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the front lawn. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the first warning signal will be made not less than 1 hour after the "AP" is lowered.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Sat. August 25
 - 0800 – 0945 Registration – coffee & donuts – Junior Clubhouse porch
 - 0945 Skippers' Meeting if any
 - 1100 First Warning
 - 1830 Event Dinner – Main Clubhouse
- Sun. August 26
 - 1100 First Warning
 - 1430 No warning signal after this time
 - Awards Ceremony following the completion of racing on the front lawn.
- 5.2 The regatta committee intends to run a maximum of 3 races. The number of races conducted is at the sole discretion of the regatta committee. If a subsequent race will be run, the race committee will signal its intention by flying code flag "R" at the finish of the previous race. One race will constitute a series.

6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters off the breakwater of Larchmont Harbor.

7 COURSES AND MARKS

- 7.1 Courses will be Olympic, modified Olympic or windward-leeward as described in Appendix A.
- 7.2 Courses will be posted on the committee boat before each race.
- 7.3 Course lengths are at the discretion of the committee.
- 7.4 Marks will be yellow inflatables.

7.5 All marks shall be rounded to port.

8 THE START AND FINISH

8.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.

8.2 The starting line will be between a yellow flag on the committee boat and a yellow inflatable on the port end.

8.3 The finish line will be between a yellow flag on the committee boat and a nearby yellow inflatable.

9 RECALLS

9.1 The race committee will endeavor to identify recalled boats by sail number using a loud hailer.

9.2 Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification and the order and timing of such hail shall not be grounds for redress.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

Change marks will be yellow inflatables with a black band. The mark for a subsequent course change will be the original mark.

11 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to finish shall be 3 ½ hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE). This changes rule 35.

12 WITHDRAWAL

A boat that withdraws from the race or that does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the race committee at the first opportunity.

13 PROTESTS

13.1 A boat intending to protest is requested to notify the race committee promptly after finishing that race.

13.2 (a) Protest forms are available at the front desk.

(b) Written protest shall be delivered to the protest committee desk located at the head of the main staircase of the clubhouse no later than 1 hour after the race committee comes ashore.

(c) The expiration time for filing written protests will be posted on the official notice board.

(d) A list of protests in the approximate order in which they will be heard will be posted on the official notice board.

(e) Hearings will begin as soon as practicable after written protests are filed. Witnesses must be available when called. If they do not appear when called, they may not be heard.

14 ARBITRATION

14.1 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule in Part 2 – When Boats Meet, a short arbitration hearing will be held prior to a protest hearing. This changes Part 5 Section B of the RRS.

14.2 After a written protest is filed, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses will be allowed.

14.3 A boat that accepts fault at the arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty of 40% of the number of entries (rounded upward 0.5) added to her finish position, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF.

14.4 The arbitrator is neither the race nor protest committee; therefore, decisions made during arbitration cannot be grounds for redress and cannot be appealed.

14.5 The arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears the protest but may be permitted to observe testimony presented and offer testimony. This changes rule 63.4.

15 SCORING

15.1 One completed race constitutes a series. A maximum of three races is scheduled.

15.2 A boats' series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion.

15.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) and will be given 2 points more than the number finishers, except that she shall not be scored worse than a DNF. This changes rule 35.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded following the conclusion of racing on Sunday, Aug. 26 on the front lawn of the club.
- 16.2 The Allen R. Burtis Masters Trophy will be awarded to the overall winner. Series prizes will be awarded for First, Second and Third place finishers.
- 16.3 Prizes will also be awarded for the top Grand Master (60-69), top Exalted Grand Master (70-79), top Venerable Exalted Grand Master (80-89) and top DND (90+) not finishing in the top three places. Series prizes will be awarded for First through Third in the Star Class along with overall prizes for Master: (50-60), Grand Master: (60-70), E.G.M (70-80), V.E.G.M. (80 +).

17 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY

- 17.1 The skipper/owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew or guests. In the event of a breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member or agent of the Larchmont Yacht Club, the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her boat shall be subject to protest and disqualification.
- 17.2 The Larchmont Yacht Club is not responsible and will not accept any liability for bodily injury, death or property damage suffered from any cause. Each participant, including skipper and crew, participates in the regatta entirely at his/her own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against the Larchmont Yacht Club, its regatta committee, and its officers, trustees, committee members, members, agents, or employees. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each participant as does responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding when to wear life jackets. Patrol boats or other assistance will not likely be available. Assistance, if any, from the regatta committee or other Larchmont Yacht Club vessels, or other patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is entirely at the risk of the participant.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Larchmont Yacht Club, 1 Woodbine Ave., Larchmont, NY 10538. Telephone 914-834-2440. Fax 914-468-7751.

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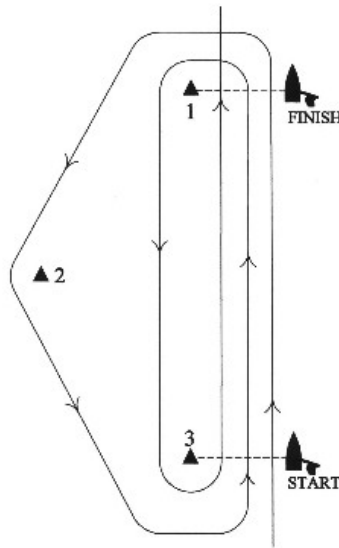
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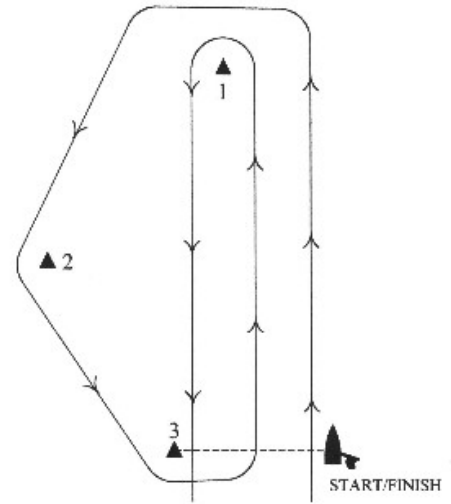
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Appendix A – Course Diagrams



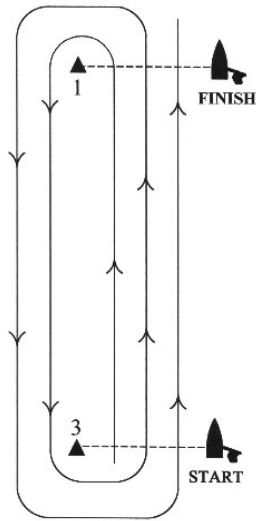
“O” Olympic

Start, windward, reach, reach, windward, leeward, finish to windward

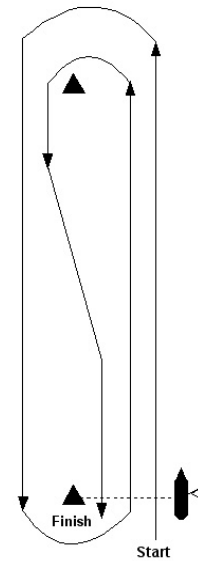


“M” Modified Olympic

Start, windward, reach, reach, windward, finish to leeward



“W” Windward – Start, windward, leeward, windward, leeward, finish to windward.



“L” Leeward - Start, windward, leeward, windward, finish to leeward.