



# 2017 Ontario Sailing Regional Championships Western Ontario



South Port Sailing Club — Tecumseh, ON  
Saturday – Sunday, 2017 August 5 – 6

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

### 2. SAFETY

- 2.1. The preamble to Part 4 and rule 40 is changed to require adequate personal buoyancy to be worn at all times while afloat except while changing clothes. Code Flag 'Y' need not be flown.
- 2.2. Check-In: All boats shall sail past the RC vessel, hail their sail number and receive acknowledgement upon arrival in the racing area.
- 2.3. A boat that retires from a race and leaves the course area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 2.5. A minimum 5-m by minimum 6-mm tow line must be attached to each mast for towing.

### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors and Results will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the SPSC clubhouse.

### 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races for Sunday will be posted by 2000 on Saturday.

### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagstaff located east of the SPSC clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

### 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES





#### Saturday August 5

1030	Skippers' meeting
1100	Harbour start
1200	First warning signal (snacks and water will be available from the safety boats between races); target is 4 or 5 races.
1600	Latest time for a warning signal

#### Sunday August 6

0915	Harbour start
1000	First warning signal of the day; target is 4 races
1400	Latest time for a warning signal
1530 – 1600	Awards

### 7. CLASS FLAGS

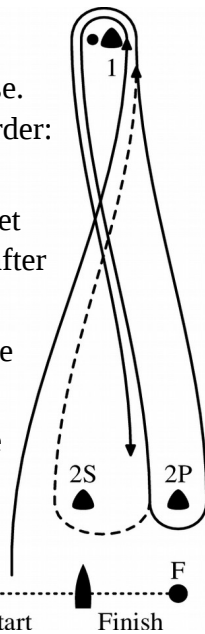
Class	Class Flag
Byte	code flag #1 
Club 420	code flag #2 
Laser Radial	code flag #3 
Laser	code flag #4 

### 8. RACING AREA

Racing will take place on Lake St Clair, north of the SPSC. The mark closest to shore will be about 0.5 nautical miles off shore.

## 9. THE COURSE

- 9.1. The diagramme shows the course.  
The marks are to be passed in order:  
**Start – 1 – 2 – 1 – Finish.**
- 9.2. Mark 1 will have an nearby offset which must be rounded to port after rounding the main mark.
- 9.2. Marks 2P and Marks 2S form the gate.
- 9.3. The distance from Mark 1 to the gate will be 0.3–0.6 nautical miles.
- 9.3. Start and finish lines will extend on the opposite sides of the centrally located RC vessel.



## 10. MARKS

1, 2P and 2S Marks will be inflatable yellow cylinders. The offset at Mark 1 will be a small red ball. The start and finishing pins will be round orange balls. New marks as provided in SI 12 CHANGE OF COURSE will be inflatable orange tetrahedra.

## 11. THE START

The starting line will be between the orange flag on the RC vessel on the starboard end, and the port-end pin.

## 12. CHANGE OF COURSE

To change the first or third leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and offset and remove the original marks as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 13. SHORTENING AT THE GATE

When signalled with a code flag S at the gate, after passing through the gate, boats shall proceed directly to the standard finish line between the RC vessel and Mark F. This changes Code Flag S in the Race Signals and Rule 32.2.

## 14. THE FINISH

- 14.1. The finish shall be between the orange flag displayed on the RC vessel and the port-end Mark F.
- 14.2. After finishing, boats will stay clear of the course and especially of the starting area if there is a starting sequence in progress.

## 15. TIME LIMIT

- 15.1 The time limit will be 80 minutes.
- 15.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## 16. SCORING

- 16.1 A minimum of 3 races is required to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3 When 5, 6 or 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.4 When 8 or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

## 17. PROTESTS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 40 minutes after the RC vessel docks.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 20 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 race office no later than 40 minutes after the protest time limit.

## 18. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each class.