



2021 EWYC Club Race Program
Edgewater Yacht Club
May 23, 2021 through September 29, 2021
Cleveland, Ohio, USA

FIXED MARK COURSE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation “[DP]” in a rule in these Sailing Instructions (“SIs”) means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation “[NP]” in a rule of these SIs means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** Class is defined as the group within a fleet to which a boat is assigned on the scratch sheet (for example, PHRF A, JAM B)
- 1.3** The rules and policies of Edgewater Yacht Club shall apply to all participants, including all crew members. [DP]
- 1.4** All participants, including all crew, whether or not a member of Edgewater Yacht Club must adhere to all state of Ohio, Cuyahoga County and City of Cleveland health regulations, and the requirements of Edgewater Yacht Club, related to the COVID-19 pandemic. [NP]
- 1.5** All boats shall carry an operational VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 16, 71 and 71.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 60 minutes before the first warning on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by VHF radio communication on Channel 72 effective for that day only.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at www.eycweb.com/home/racing/.

3.2 The race office is located at Edgewater Yacht Club, 6700 Memorial Shoreway, Cleveland, Ohio, telephone: (216) 281-6470, email: office@eycweb.com.

3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72.

3.3 The failure of any boat to receive or to hear any VHF radio communications from the race committee for any purpose shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.

3.4 [DP] [While racing][From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day], except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole near the northeast corner of the clubhouse or on a pole on the RC signal boat when the notice applies only to one race course.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in Race Signals AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule of races is in SI Addendum 1.

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sundays is 0955 (9:55 a.m.).

6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Wednesdays is 1855 (6:55 p.m.).

6.4 The starting sequence for the first race of each day is in SI Addendum 2, except the race committee may start several sequential classes together. The timing, sequence, and joining of classes for starts shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.

7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The class flags are described on SI Addendum 2.

8 RACING AREA

8.1 Racing will take place on Lake Erie. SI Addendum 3 shows the location of the racing area.

9 COURSES

9.1 The diagram in SI Addendum 3 shows the location of the marks, the compass headings between them and the distance between them.

9.2 No later than 0900 (9:00 a.m.) on Sundays and 1800 (6:00 p.m.) on Wednesdays, the race committee will first announce the location of the starting area and may also announce the courses for each fleet via VHF radio Channel 72. The courses will be displayed on a whiteboard on the signal boat prior to the warning signal and may also be posted on TeamSnap and/or communicated to the boats by email or text. Failure to hear or otherwise receive such announcements will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.

10 MARKS

10.1 The Mark(s) are white or white and red poles with letter designations A through H, M and XS. The Cleveland water intake crib and the government mark commonly referred to as the crib buoy may also be used as marks. The race committee may, in its discretion, set an inflatable tetrahedron as a mark.

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.

- 11.2** The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark unless the race is started from the Edgewater Yacht Club pavilion in which case the starting line is between the flagpole displaying an orange flag and the course side of XS mark.
- 11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4** If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.
- 11.5** A boat that does not start within four minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1** The race committee may change the next leg of the course for a class by announcing the change by VHF radio channel 72 before the first boat in the class begins the leg and by displaying a "C" flag along with the class flag(s) to indicate the classes to which the change applies. Failure to hear such announcement or to observe such flags will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 33, 60.1(b) and 62.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on signal vessel and the course side of the nearby finishing mark which is on the same side of the signal boat as the blue flag.
- 13.2** If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1** For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16 TIME LIMITS [AND TARGET TIMES]

16.1 If no boat in a class has passed the first mark within 30 minutes, the race will be abandoned for that class.

16.2 If no boat in a class has finished within 2 hours, the race will be abandoned for that class.

16.3 The Finishing Window, as defined in 16.4 below, is 40 minutes for the PHRF and JAM classes and is 15 minutes for the J/105 and Tartan-10 classes. On Wednesdays, the Finishing Window is 5 minutes after official sundown as shown on SI Addendum 1 or the Finishing Window for the class, whichever ends earlier.

16.4 The Finishing Window is the time for boats in a class to finish after the first boat in the class sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window that have not notified the race committee of their intention to retire may not have their finish time recorded and will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

16.5 Failure to meet any of the time limits will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.

17 HEARING REQUESTS

17.1 The time limit to request a hearing is 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The docking time will be posted on the official notice board.

17.2 Hearing request forms are available in the Chart Room in the Edgewater Yacht Club.

17.3 Completed hearing request forms should be emailed or sent by text message to Mike Vining at 216-533-3934 or mvining@att.net within the time limit to request a hearing.

17.4 The hearing will be conducted one week after the request is made. The time for the hearing will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

18 SCORING

18.1 The race committee will provide the finishes to each fleet. Each fleet is responsible for determining how many races are required to constitute a series and for scoring the series for such fleet.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Boats shall check in with the race committee no later than five minutes before the first warning signal of the day, either by sailing by the signal boat and hailing or by VHF radio. [DP][NP]

19.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]