

Lake Champlain Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

2017 Wednesday Night Series

1.0 RULES

1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 Boats in all classes except Etchells will use these “alternate” dispute resolution rules:

1.2.1 T1 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’

1.2.2 T2 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE

After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.

1.2.3 The Post-Race Penalty shall be (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or (b) 30%, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

1.3 Boats in the Etchells class will use these “alternate” dispute resolution rules:

1.3.1 T1 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’

1.4 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with repetitive sounds at least four (4) minutes before the "AP" is lowered. This changes rule: Race Signals

1.5 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS Rules 29.1, except for the following: The Race Committee may attempt to notify premature starters by hailing and/or by calling on VHF 72. However, failure to hail or call any or all boats(s), or failure of any boat(s) to hear or receive such hail or call will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

1.6 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS, Rules 29.2 and 30, except for the following: If a General Recall is made, classes that have not been recalled and not started shall start as though the recall(s) had not been made. Immediately after the last scheduled class has started, the recalled classes will start in the order that they were recalled.

1.7 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the adjacent mark unless the course is shortened. If the course is shortened, the finish shall be between an orange flag on a race committee boat (if displayed) and the adjacent mark. If no orange flag is displayed the finish shall be as described in rule 32.2. This changes rule 32.2.

2.0 OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT GOVERN THIS EVENT

2.1 LCYC Courses and Race Marks which can be found on the LCYC website (www.lcyc.info) under RACING / DOCUMENTS.

3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 The official notice board is on the exterior wall of the north side of the LCYC clubhouse.

4.0 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the LCYC website <http://lcyg.info/racing/documents>. Any changes will be posted on the LCYC official notice board before 0915 hours on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

4.2 Following the raising of the "L" flag with one sound, oral change(s) to the Sailing Instructions and/or to the designated course may be given on the water in accordance with RRS Rule 90.2(c).

5.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be made from RC Boat located on the main dock.

6.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Race dates

Series A: 5/24, 5/31, 6/7, 6/14, 6/21

Series B: 6/28, 7/5, 7/12, 7/19, 7/26

Series C: 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30

Series D: 9/6, 9/13, 9/20, 9/27

7.0 Race Times

7.1 Series A,B,C

| CLASS | TIME | FLAG & SOUND | SIGNAL |
|---------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Etechells | 1810 | Etechells up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1811 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1814 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1815 | Etechells down/1 sound | Start |
| | JaM & Spinnaker D | 1815 | Yellow up/1 sound |
| 1816 | | "P" up/1 sound | .Preparatory |
| 1819 | | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| 1820 | | Yellow down/1 sound | Start |
| Spinnaker B & Sportboat | 1820 | Purple up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1821 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1824 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1825 | Purple down/1 sound | Start |
| Spinnaker A & Spinnaker C | 1825 | Light blue up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1826 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1829 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1830 | Light blue down/1 sound | Start |

7.2 Series D

| CLASS | TIME | FLAG & SOUND | SIGNAL |
|---------------------------|------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Etchells | 1725 | Etchells up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1726 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1729 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1730 | Etchells down/1 sound | Start |
| JaM & Spinnaker D | 1730 | Yellow up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1731 | "P" up/1 sound | .Preparatory |
| | 1734 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1735 | Yellow down/1 sound | Start |
| Spinnaker B & Sportboat | 1735 | Purple up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1736 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1739 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1740 | Purple down/1 sound | Start |
| Spinnaker A & Spinnaker C | 1740 | Light blue up/1 sound | Warning |
| | 1741 | "P" up/1 sound | Preparatory |
| | 1744 | "P" down/1 long sound | One-minute |
| | 1745 | Light blue down/1 sound | Start |

8.0 CLASS FLAGS

8.1 Etchells



8.2 JaM & Spinnaker D



YELLOW

8.3 Spinnaker B and Sportboat



PURPLE

8.4 Spinnaker A and Spinnaker C



LIGHT BLUE

9.0 RACING AREA

9.1 The races will take place in or near Shelburne Bay, Shelburne, VT.

10.0 COURSES

10.1 COURSE DIAGRAMS

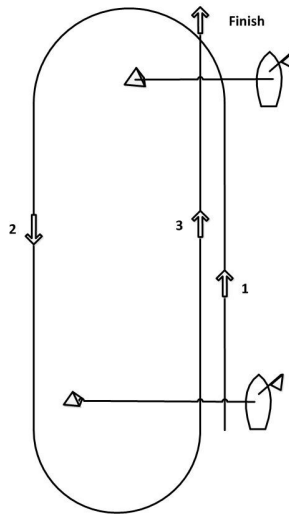
Courses are identified as follows:

Windward-Leeward: WL.

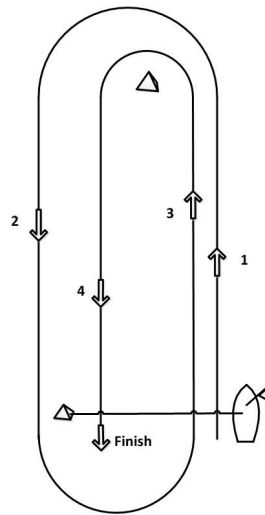
Triangle: T.

Triangle Windward-Leeward: TWL.

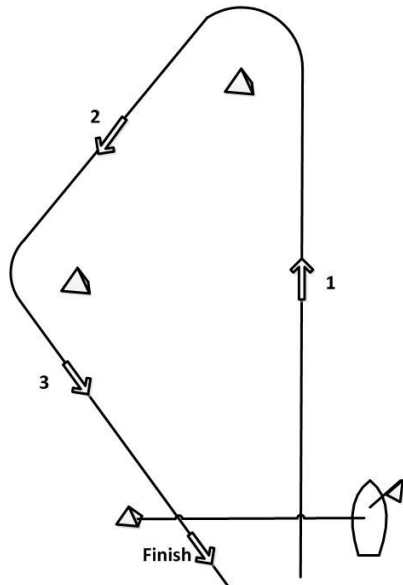
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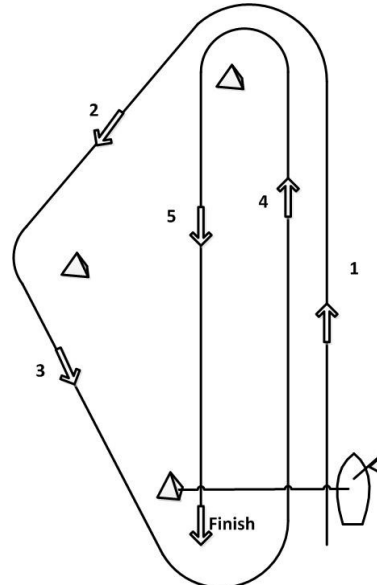
W/L 4 Legs



Triangle 3 Legs



TWL 5 Legs



10.2 COURSE BOARD

Race courses will be signaled from the Race Committee boat as follows:

CLASSES: The first line on the board indicates the class. E for the Etchells class, J for Jib & Main classes and S for Spinnaker classes:

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| E | J | S |
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COURSE TYPE: The second line indicates the course geometry, Windward-Leeward; Triangle-Windward-Leeward; Triangle, and whether there will be an “O”ffset mark at the windward mark, and whether there will be a leeward “G”ate.

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| WL | TWL | T | O | G |
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NUMBER OF LEGS: The 3rd line indicates the number of legs for each course.

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| 1 | 2 | 3 |
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Example: The Etchells class sails a windward leeward course with 4 legs total. Jib & Main boats sail a triangle with 3 legs total. Spinnaker classes sail a triangle-windward-leeward with 5 legs total. An offset is used at the windward end, and a gate at the leeward end.

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|-----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|
| E | J | S | | |
| WL | T | TWL | O | G |
| 4 | 3 | 5 | | |

10.3 The windward mark will be signaled using a board on the stern of the signal boat. If the windward mark is a drop mark, a “D” and the magnetic heading to that mark will be displayed.

10.4 All marks of the course shall be left to port.

11.0 MARKS

11.1 Marks used in LCYC races are described in a document Courses and Race marks available on the LCYC website on the RACING/DOCUMENTS page. LCYC permanent marks are orange cans. Drop marks are inflatable orange tetrahedrons and/or orange hip-hops.

12.0 THE START

The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat, and the adjacent mark.

13.0 THE FINISH

13.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the adjacent mark unless the course is shortened. If the course is shortened, the finish shall be between an orange flag on a race committee boat (if displayed) and the adjacent mark. If no orange flag is displayed the finish shall be as described in rule 32.2.

14.0 TIME LIMIT

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish in series A, B and C is 21:00.

14.2 The time limit for the first boat to finish in series D is 20:30.

15.0 PROTESTS

15.1 All forms required for filing a protest may be found in the Protest Forms segment at the end of these Sailing Instructions and on the LCYC website <http://lcyg.info/racing/documents>.

15.2 A boat that intends to lodge a protest shall verbally notify the Race Committee of their intentions as soon as possible after clearing the finish line.

15.3 The formal protest shall be submitted on standard forms to the Regatta Chairman within twenty-four (24) hours of the event. The Regatta Chairman will distribute the protest to the protested party who shall have twenty-four (24) hours from its receipt to submit a written response on standard forms (available at the end of this document or at <http://lcyg.info/racing/documents>).

15.4 Any protests will generally be heard at the LCYC clubhouse after racing on the Wednesday following the incident. Protesting parties, protested parties and witnesses have a responsibility to remain at the Clubhouse until after a protest is heard or to appear for a hearing if held on another date. Not being present for the protest hearing could result in the protest being disallowed or a boat being disqualified.

15.5 The Protest Committee shall hear and rule on all contested protests and all protests involving serious damage.

16.0 SCORING

16.1 Boats that do not start, do not finish, retire, or are disqualified shall be scored as described in rule A4.2. Rule A9 will not be used.

16.2 For a race where the skipper serves as race committee and the boat does not race, the boat's score for that race shall be the average of all its races in that series. This can result in two boats having the same score for a race.

16.3 Boats sailing in PHRF classes (JaM and Spinnaker) will be scored on corrected time using the time-on-time method based on their Lake Champlain PHRF rating.

16.4 One race is required to constitute a series.

16.5 Boats will be scored with one throw-out per series if 4 or more races are sailed.