

Youth Match Racing 2023
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as detailed in NoR 1.
- 1.2 RRS is changed as follows:
- (a) RRS 32 is deleted and replaced with: 'After the starting signal, the RC may abandon or shorten any match for any reason, after consulting with the match umpires when practical.'
 - (b) Within a flight, when a visual signal is displayed over a numeral pennant, the signal applies to that match only. This changes Race Signals.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the SI will be posted at least 1 hour before the first race.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

When on the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 06

4 FLIGHTS AND MATCHES

- 4.1 The match pairing lists will be available 24 hours before the first race is scheduled
- 4.3 The RC may change the order of matches within a flight to allow starts to be brought forward to eliminate blank starts or to add a delayed match start to the end of a flight. The RC, or an umpire on behalf of the RC, will advise Competitors of any such change verbally.

5 COURSES

- 5.1 Configuration (not to scale)

Windward Mark - 'W' o

Leeward Gate – 'L' o o

Start/Finish Line o----- o]

- 5.2 Signals and Course to be Sailed
- Course signals will be displayed from the Committee vessel before the warning signal. Mark W shall be rounded to starboard. **In the event one gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to starboard.**

Signal

Course

Numeral 1	Start-W-Finish
Numeral 2	Start - W - L - W - Finish

6 OBSTRUCTIONS

A buoy may be attached to the committee vessel anchor line at just below keel depth. Boats shall not pass between this buoy and the committee vessel at any time. This area is

designated as an obstruction. As part of the anchor line, this buoy is not part of the starting mark.

7 BREAKDOWN and TIME FOR REPAIRS

- 7.1 Before the attention signal of a flight or within two minutes of finishing or within five minutes of changing into a new boat, whichever is later, a boat may hail the committee vessel to signal breakdown or damage to the boat, her sails or injury to her crew and request a delay to the next start. She shall proceed as soon as possible to a position just to leeward of the committee vessel and remain there, unless otherwise directed.
- 7.2 The time allowed for repairs will be at the discretion of the RC.

8 TIME LIMIT

- 8.1 A boat that does not Finish within 5 minutes after her opponent has Sailed the Course will be scored zero points. This changes RRS 35.

9 RISK STATEMENT

Refer to NoR 14

SI ADDENDUM B – HANDLING of BOATS

1 GENERAL

[NP] Other restrictions or instructions may be given to the boats verbally by the RC or via an umpire.

2 [NP] PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited:

- 2.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.3 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.7 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.8 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink, or using any tape that leaves a residue/ use of duct tape.

3 MANDATORY ITEMS and ACTIONS

- 3.1 At the end of each sailing day a boat shall:
 - (a) fold, bag and place the sails as directed
 - (b) leave the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
 - (c) release backstay tension
- 3.2 At the end of the final day for a particular boat, clean the boat (cabin and decks), remove all trash and remove all tape and marks.

SI ADDENDUM D – DAMAGE PENALTIES

Match Racing Penalties for Damage resulting from contact between boats

Appendix C6.6 and C8.6 permits the umpires or protest committee to decide the penalty when a boat breaks RRS 14. This document explains how damage will be assessed and gives general guidance on the appropriate penalty. When the protest committee has good reasons to do so, it may apply a different penalty.

Damage will be divided into 3 levels as shown in the following table:

Level	Extent	Effect
Level A - Minor Damage	- Does not significantly affect the value, general appearance or normal operation of the boat.	Boat may race without repair although some minor surface work may be required after the event. Repairs should not normally require more than 1 hour of work.
Level B - Damage	- Affects the value and/or general appearance of the boat	The damage does not affect the normal operation of the boat in that race but may need some (temporary) work before racing again. Requires more than 1 hour of work but should not normally require more than 3 hours of work.
Level C - Major Damage	- The normal operation of the boat is compromised and its structural integrity may be impaired.	The boat will need some repair work before racing again. Requires more than 3 hours of work.

Point Penalties - to be applied without a hearing (this amends RRS C8.6);

Level	Round Robin	Knock Out
A	None	None
B	Half point	Three quarters of a point
C	One point	One point

When both boats break RRS 14, they should both receive a points penalty. If a competitor requests a hearing when a points penalty is imposed, the protest committee may decide (in the hearing) to give a greater penalty.

Deductions from Damage Deposits

The assessment of damage level is only for the purpose of points penalties, and is not linked to any deductions from the competitor's damage deposits.

Any points penalty will be based on the assessment of damage level made on the water. Subsequent assessments of the damage level after closer inspection, whether the level turns out to be higher or

lower, will have no effect on the points penalty given on the water.