RIVERSIDE DYER DINGHY ASSOCIATION



2023 YRA Frostbiting Championship Saturday, March 18, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RULES 1.

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed rules as defined in the 2021 – 2024 Racing Rules of Sailing
- 1.2. ALL ENTRANTS MUST BE ACTIVE YRALIS MEMBERS

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS 2.

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the RYC clubhouse lobby
- 2.2. Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than the Skipper's Meeting and best efforts will be made to email skippers in advance.
- 2.3. Oral changes may be made on the water via loudhailer and acknowledged by each participant.

3. **SCHEDULE**

3.1. Saturday, March 18, 2023 0830 Registration/Waivers/Weigh-ins/Boat assignment 0915 Harbor Start 1000 First Warning (no starts later than 1600) 1230 Awards

4. **CHECKING IN**

Before the warning signal of the first race, each boat shall sail past the stern of the Race 4.1. Committee Boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

5. **COURSES**

- 5.1. The course for each race may be announced orally from the Race Committee Boat.
- Course Descriptions are attached hereto as Appendix A. Other courses, not explicitly 5.2. described in these Sailing Instructions, may be used as the Race Committee sees fit.
- 5.3. Courses may be displayed on either placards or a whiteboard from the Race Committee Boat. Unless otherwise announced by the Race Committee, marks shall be passed on the same side as the starting mark on all courses except the "no gybe" course, and when a

weather or leeward "gate" is announced as a mark of the course.

6. MARKS OF THE COURSE

- 6.1. Marks shall consist of inflated buoys, government marks, or any other identifiable object selected by the Race Committee (generally expected to be orange balls).
- 6.2. The RYC docks are considered obstructions. While racing, no boat may sail between any of the docks.
- 6.3. The Race Committee may set an "offset" mark near the weather mark and/or a weather and/or a leeward gate which shall consist of two marks approximately fifteen yards apart. If an offset mark is set and announced, boats must round the offset mark, after the weather mark, prior to continuing the course. If either a weather or a leeward gate is set and announced as a mark of the course, boats must sail between the two marks from the direction of the previous mark and subsequently round either mark prior to continuing the course. If the course is displayed on either placards or a whiteboard, a weather offset shall be designated by "+O", a weather gate shall be designated by "+WG" and a leeward gate shall be designated with "+LG".

7. STARTING AND FINISHING

7.1. The Start Line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and a mark. The Finish Line (unless the course is shortened) shall be between a staff displaying a flag on the Race Committee Boat and a blue flag finishing mark. Please note the Start and Finish Lines may be on the same side of the Race Committee Boat. After the start of each race, boats may re-cross the Start and Finish Lines.

8. STARTING

8.1. Appendix U, Audible-Signal Racing System will apply. App U 3 is modified as below

Sound Signal	Meaning	<u>Signal</u>
Repeated horn	Announce Course	Warning
Two long	Two Minutes	Preparatory
One long, three short	One Minute, Thirty Seconds	
One long	One Minute	
Three short	Thirty Seconds	
Two short	Twenty Seconds	
One short	Ten Seconds	
5 consecutive short	One for each of last 5 seconds	
One long	Start	Start

8.2. INDIVIDUAL RECALL An Individual Recall will be signaled by one horn blast from the Race Committee and at the discretion of the RC, raising the X flag. The Race Committee shall endeavor to hail each OCS boat. The Race Committee boat shall make best efforts to relay each OCS boat by bow number on the radio to Chase Boats so they may attempt to alert any OCS boats failing to start properly. Failure by the Race Committee or chase boat to hail a boat that was OCS or failure of a competitor to hear the Individual Recall horn does not relieve the competitor of his or her responsibility to make a proper start. Any boat failing to return to start properly shall be recorded as "On Course Side" (OCS).

8.3. GENERAL RECALL A General Recall will be signaled by two short horns from the Race Committee Boat and at the discretion of the RC, raising the 1st substitute flag immediately following a start. A new Preparatory signal (two minutes before the start) will be given as soon as possible.

9. FINISHING WINDOW

9.1. A "finishing window" will open when the first boat that starts, sails the course and finishes a race. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).

10. SCORING

- 10.1. One race shall constitute a regatta.
- 10.2. The race committee intends to run multiple races. The number of races conducted is at the sole discretion of the race committee.
- 10.3. If fewer than six races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If six or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 10.4. Boats scored TLE, Time Limit Expired, will be scored but not worse than DNF.

11. **PROTESTS**

- 11.1. The protesting boat shall immediately inform the boat being protested by hailing the word "protest". Immediately upon finishing, the protesting boat shall notify the Race Committee, giving the sail number(s) of the protesting and protested boat(s). This modifies RRS 61.1.
- 11.2. The protest will be heard immediately after racing using "Five Minute Justice". The protestor and protestee shall each select a judge from those present. Those two judges shall select a third judge. One of the judges shall be the timekeeper. Each of the parties and their witnesses shall have two minutes to make their statements. The judges shall make every effort to render their decision promptly. The judges will notify the RC of the results of the hearing. Spectators are encouraged to observe both the parties' statements and the judges' determination. This modifies RRS 91(a).
- 11.3. Exceptions: If one or both parties to the protest are not available immediately following racing, 5 Minute Justice shall be heard at a mutually agreed time, organized by the protesting parties. If the judges decide there is boat damage, personal injury, gross misconduct, a redress against the Race Committee or other exceptional situation, a full hearing will be held as soon as possible, in accordance with RRS 63 and 91(a).

12. PENALTIES

- 12.1. Except for "No Gybe" courses, the penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 will be a "One Turn Penalty". This modifies RRS 44.1. The penalty for violating Rule 42 shall also be a "One Turn Penalty". Penalty turns MUST be taken as soon after the incident as possible and must include one tack immediately followed by one gybe (in either order.)
- 12.2. For "No Gybe" courses, the Scoring Penalty (RRS 44.3) will be used. RRS 44.3 is modified as follows: the Scoring Penalty will be 10%, and a boat taking a Scoring Penalty does not need to display a yellow flag.
- 12.3. Boats accepting the Scoring Penalty shall notify the Race Committee immediately upon finishing, or at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 12.4. If a protestee concedes a protest after a race and prior to a protest hearing, a 20% Scoring Penalty will be applied in accordance with RRS 44.3 (c)

regatta. The Mermaid Trophy will be awarded to the top female finisher in the regatta. These perpetual trophies will be awarded at the YRALIS annual meeting in December, 2022. Keeper trophies will be awarded onsite to the top three finishers, and an additional trophy will be awarded to the top female finisher.

PARTICIPANTS' RESPONSIBILITIES As a condition precedent to his or her participation in any race or series (including without limitation all activities relating thereto) sponsored or undertaken by the Riverside Yacht Club, Inc., the YRA of LIS or the Riverside Dyer Dinghy Association, each participant agrees that the safety of the boat and its crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue a race is solely his or her responsibility, and each boat and each participant waives any and all claims, including without limitation any claim in respect of assistance given or not given, against Riverside Yacht Club, Inc. or the Riverside Dyer Dinghy Association, and their respective officers, directors, members, committees, employees, or agents, for any injury or damage resulting from such participation.

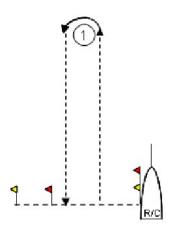
PERSONAL FLOATATION U.S.C.G. Approved PFDs must be worn at all times while racing.

WAIVER Each skipper must complete the online waiver in order to compete

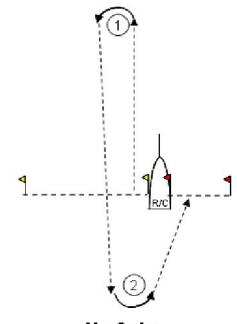
APPENDIX A RIVERSIDE DYER DINGHY ASSOCIATION

Start marks: Typically Orange Flags Finish marks: Typically Blue Flags

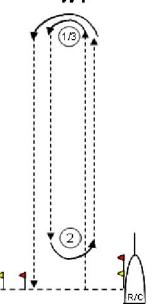
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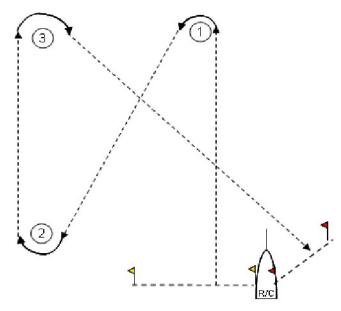
Windward / Leeward / Windward "W3"



Windward / Leeward Twice Around "W4"

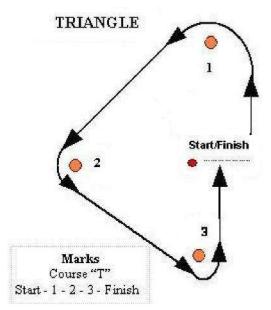


No Gybe "NG"



APPENDIX A - Continued RIVERSIDE DYER DINGHY ASSOCIATION Courses

TRIANGLE MODIFIED GOLD CUP
"T"
"G"



The modified Gold Cup course shall consist of 5 legs, starting from the Start Line to a windward mark, then to a reaching mark, then to a leeward mark, then to the windward mark, then to the Finish Line which shall be on the same side of the Race Committee Boat as the Start Line.

Note that the Finish Line shall be on the opposite side of the Race Committee Boat from the Start Line.

MODIFIED OLYMPIC "O"

The modified Olympic course shall consist of 6 legs, starting from the Start Line to a windward mark, then to a reaching mark, then to a leeward mark, then to the windward mark, then to the leeward mark, then to the Finish Line which shall be on the opposite side of the Race Committee Boat from the Start Line