

Instructions for Filing DRYA Hearing Request (formerly Protests)

NOTE – NEW for 2021: US Sailing's *Hearing Request* form replaces the front page of the former *Protest* form and can be used by competitors to file protests, redress requests and requests to reopen a hearing. It is available as a fillable PDF.

Your "**Hearing Request**" form must be submitted electronically to the DRYA Chief Judge to get it assigned to a hearing committee. Hearings are typically held at Bayview Yacht Club on the next Monday evening at 7:00 PM, although other arrangements may be made to accommodate scheduling conflicts.

Instructions:

1. **Options** to provide the Hearing Committee needed information:
 - a. A formal "**Hearing Request**" form is not required, but highly desirable. You must, at a very minimum, describe the incident. Refer to RRS 61.2. If you are not using a form, provide all the information requested on the Hearing Request form in an email. If you have contact information for the protestee (name, email, or phone number), please include it.
 - b. Download the "**Hearing Request**" fillable PDF form, fill in the requested information, and save the form on your computer (fillable form link is on "*DRYA Race + Info*" webpage OR link below).
 - c. Print out the attached Hearing Request form (not a fillable form), fill it out by pencil/pen, and either scan it as a PDF file or take a JPEG picture with your smart phone. **PLEASE make sure the scan or picture is readable.** There are also many apps that allow you to take a photo and save/send as a PDF or JPEG.

2. Send your completed Hearing Request form to ProtestsDRYA@gmail.com as an attachment.

NOTE ADDRESS

3. YOU SHOULD RECEIVE AN AUTOMATIC REPLY EMAIL from the email system that your email was received. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE THIS REPLY WITHIN A COUPLE OF MINUTES, check the email address you sent it to (name spelling is very important, upper/lower case is not). (If still unsuccessful, leave message or text at 734-673-7863)
4. Within 24 hrs., you should receive an email from the DRYA Chief Judge on details.

NOTES:

You must make sure to email your Hearing Request **before** the time limit for filing for the regatta in question. *The applicable time limit may vary from regatta to regatta.*

The time limit may be extended by the hearing committee if it feels there is good reason to do so – injury, serious damage, etc. Do not expect this to happen for reasons within your control (spending time at the bar, eating dinner, taking too long to complete the form, etc.).

Any questions should be submitted by email to Matt Bounds, DRYA Chief Judge, at MBounds@comcast.net.

The current published U.S. Sailing Hearing Request (fillable pdf) is attached or available on-line at:

https://cdn.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/US_Sailing_Hearing_Request_Form_20210301_Fillable.pdf
(copy link and paste into your browser if you get a "404 Not Found")

US Sailing's *Hearing Request* and *Hearing Decision* forms, which replace the former "Protest Form," are available now on the Rules, Judges, Race Officers and Umpires pages of the [US Sailing website](#).



HEARING REQUEST

for **protests**, requests for **redress**, and **reopening**

FOR COMMITTEE USE

Time & date received _____ Rec'd by _____

Protest time limit _____ Filing # _____

Race # Day/Date of Race

Event/Series

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Type of Hearing

Protest

Redress

Reopening

Boat or Committee Protesting or Requesting

Making allegation, claim, or request

Boat (sail # / name)

-OR- Committee

Represented by

Mobile

Email

Protestee(s) or Committee/Body

Alleged to have broken a rule, or made an improper action or omission

Boat (sail # / name)

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-OR- Committee/Body

For a protest only, informing the protestee How did you inform the other boat of your intent to protest?

If "Yes" when (for each)?

By hailing?

No Yes

Words used?

By displaying a red flag?

No Yes

Some other way?

No Yes

Where / how?

The incident

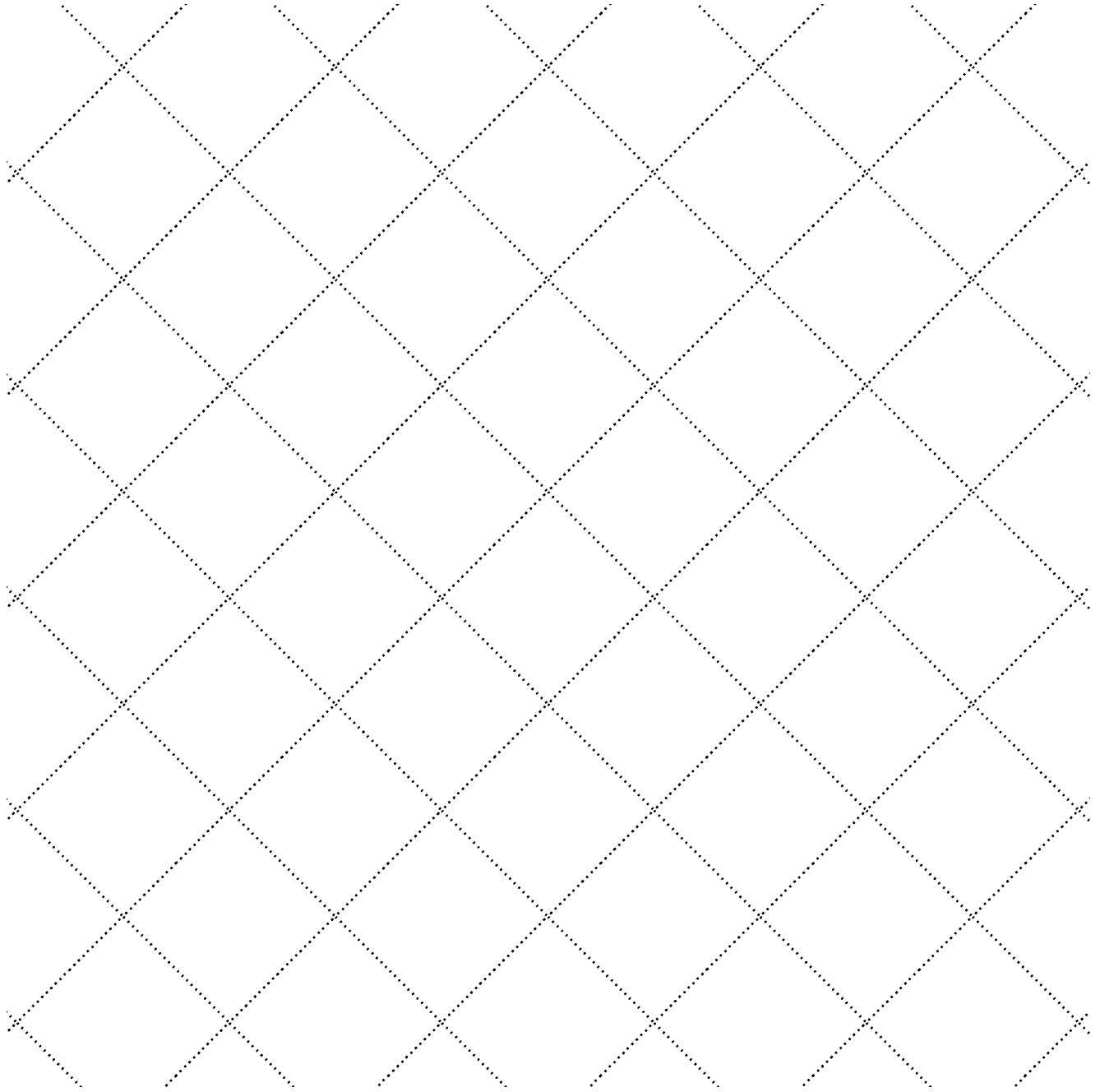
For a protest: When and where did it happen? (e.g. 1/2 way along first upwind leg, pre-start just below pin, etc.)

For protests, please describe the incident. For redress or reopening, please state the reasons.

Rules alleged to have been broken

For either a protest or a request for redress or reopening (if relevant)

Diagram Include wind and current (**or** continue the description of the incident and/or reasons)



Witnesses Please list by name

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USE ONLY TO WITHDRAW FILING

I request to withdraw this filing _____
Signature of representative

Print name

Filing withdrawal approved _____
Signature of PC member

Print name