

## 2026 DRYA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

Organizing Authority: Detroit Regional Yacht-Racing Association  
And Sponsoring Clubs

Pontiac Yacht Club - June 25  
Grosse Pointe Yacht Club - July 8-9  
Crescent Sail Yacht Club - July 15-16  
Bayview Yacht Club - July 30-July 31  
Detroit Yacht Club - August 4

Cass Lake and Lake St Clair

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

[See NOR #1 for definitions of '[NP]' and '[DP]'].

#### 2. RULES:

- 2.1 The regatta shall be governed by the "rules" as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 2.2 [NP] All Classes shall meet the requirements of the NCS - "Non-Class Sails" a DRYA document describing a use of sails in Junior Regattas. The NCS Document can be found on the DRYA website.
- 2.3 The US Sailing Prescriptions to Rule 63.1(b) shall not apply.
- 2.4 Each club and the participants shall follow the Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for their event developed from the DRYA EAP template available on the DRYA Website.

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 A change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that a change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water from the Signal Boat for that Course between races.

#### 4. COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted at the Race Office on the official notice board located at the clubhouse of the Host Club.
- 4.2 On the water, the Signal Boat shall display Code Flag "L" and hail competitors and/or use VHF Radio to contact the Coaches for that Course.
- 4.3 [DP] First warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions not available to all boats.

#### 5. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 5.1 [DP] Competitors, Support persons and Spectators shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- 5.2 The Protest Committee shall receive a report of inappropriate conduct under Rule 4.1(b) and/or Rule 62.

#### 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at a flagpole near the clubhouse.

- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in Race Signals AP.
- 6.3 [DP] Boats shall not leave the shore if Code Flag “D” is displayed with one sound signal. After Code Flag “D” has been lowered, a Warning Signal may not be given for 45 minutes.
7. SCHEDULE OF RACES:  
[See NOR #8.2 & 8.3 for specific times and related information.]
8. CLASS FLAGS
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|-----|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 8.1 | Class                         | Flag                      |
|     | a) 420 [Spinnaker & JAM]      | 420 Class Flag            |
|     | b) Laser [Full, Radial & 4.7] | Laser Class Flag          |
|     | c) Optimist Red, White, Blue  | Optimist Class Flag       |
|     | d) Optimist Green             | Optimist Green Class Flag |
9. RACING AREA
- 9.1 The racing area for each Course shall be identified on the Official Notice Board.
10. COURSES
- 10.1 The courses will be diagrammed in the sailing instructions [Appendix A, Appendix B and Appendix C].
- 10.2 [See NOR #11.2 for course assignments.]
11. MARKS
- 11.1 At the daily Competitors Meeting, the PRO for each Course shall inform the sailors using that Course of the identity of the Signal Boat, the color and shape of all marks and a description of starting and finishing lines that will be used.
- 11.2 All numbered marks are turning marks as shown in the Course diagrams in the SI.
12. OBSTRUCTIONS
- 12.1 At the daily Competitors Meeting, the PRO for each Course shall inform the sailors using that Course of any Obstructions on that Course.
13. THE START
- 13.1 Racing Rule 26 will be used as the Starting System for Courses using Appendix A.
- 13.2 Appendix U (Sound Signals Starting System) will be used for the Course using Appendix B and Appendix C. [Optimist].
- 13.3 Failure to hear sound signals on Courses on Appendix B & C will not be grounds for redress.
- 13.4 The starting line for all Courses shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- 13.5 For Courses W-Z, the orange flag will be lowered after all boats have started each race,
- 13.6 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
14. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
- 14.1 To change course length or maintain a course configuration on the Laser and 420 courses only, marks may be moved as necessary, but no mark may be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. A leg of the course may not be deleted. Changes rule 33.
15. THE FINISH
- 15.1 The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and an inflatable mark at the port end of the line for Courses of Appendix A.

- 16.2 The finishing line for Courses, W or X [Optimist Green Fleet] shall be between a blue flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and an inflatable mark at the starboard end of the line.
- 16.3 The finishing line for Courses Y & Z [Optimist Green Fleet] shall be a blue flag on the bow Race Committee Signal boat and an inflatable mark at the port end.
- 16.4 The finishing line for the Green Fleet Courses may also include a straight upwind and downwind finish.

16. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 17.1 Courses For Appendix A shall use RRS 44.1.
- 17.2 Courses using Appendix B or C, RRS 44.1 are changed: two-turns penalty is replaced by the one-turn penalty.

17. TIME LIMIT:

- 18.1 Time Limit for mark 1 of the Courses of Appendix A is 20 Minutes
- 18.2 Race Time Limit for the course of Appendix A is 40 Minutes
- 18.3 Finishing Window for the Courses of Appendix A is 15 Minutes after first boat finishes. [Scored TLE] TLE score equals place + 1 of the last boat to finish. This changes RRS 35.
- 18.4 The target time for the first boat to finish the Courses for Appendix is 20 minutes, except for the Optimist Green fleet W-Z shall have a target time of 15 minutes
- 18.5 Failure to meet the target time shall not be grounds for redress.

18. HEARING REQUESTS

- 19.1 A boat that intends to Protest, Request for Redress or penalty turns shall notify the Race Committee promptly after finishing that race with its number and the number of the boat being protested. This changes rule 31, 44.1 and 63.5.
- 19.2 Requests for Redress or protests occurring in the last race of the day will be held ashore after the end of sailing by Designated Judges.
- 19.3 Protests between boats shall be heard on shore at the end of the day by two Coaches acting as a Protest Committee under an abbreviated format [SI 18.5 & 6 below] with no witnesses allowed. The Coaches may not be from a Club of either the Protestor or Protestee.
- 19.4 After the race has finished, the signal boat shall radio all Coaches that a protest has been received and the names of the Clubs involved.
- 19.5 The Judges shall ask questions of the Protestor and Protestee to determine if they object to either of the Coaches hearing the protest. If no objection is raised, the Judges 'shall ask questions to determine if the protest is valid. If an objection is raised the protest will be heard after the day's racing by other Judges
- 19.6 All of the times given below should be considered approximate. The Protestor will be given one minute to present his/her case. The Protestee will be given five minutes to present his/her response. The Protestor and Protestee each will be given five minutes to question each other. The Judges will have five minutes to question the Protestor and Protestee. The Judges will have five minutes to prepare and present their decision.
- 19.7 The Judges shall report their decision to the Scorer in person or by cell phone.

19. SCORING

- 20.1 Individual Regattas:  
[See DRYA Junior Series NOR 13.1(a-e)]

20. SAFETY REGULATIONS

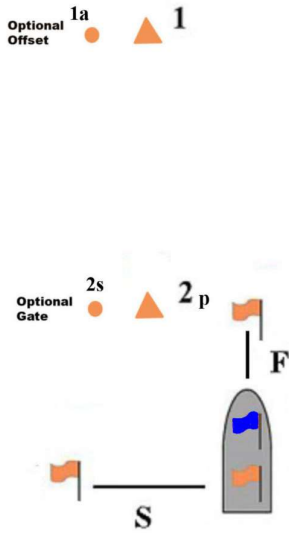
- 21.1 **Personal Flotation Devices (PFD)** – [See NOR 9.3 for details and specifications.]
- 21.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

- 21.3 [See NOR 14.1 for details and requirements for competitor club supplied power boats.]
21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT
- 22.1 [DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the Scorer.
- 22.2 [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized in writing by the Judges. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.
22. OFFICIAL VESSELS
- 23.1 Official Race Committee vessels will be identified as follows: Display of an RC Flag.
23. SUPPORT BOATS
- 24.1 [See NOR #14.1 for the number of required support boats and their function during an event.]
24. COACHING
- 25.1 [See NOR #15.1, 2 for Coaches requirements and activities. **NOTE:** NOR #15.3: On-the-course coaching is allowed only by Coach Boats displaying a Bright Green flag with a letter “C”]
25. SPECTATOR BOATS
- 26.1 [See NOR # 16.1 to determine what is a Spectator Boat and permitted activities.]
26. TRASH DISPOSAL
- 27.1 The disposal of trash by any competitor is prohibited.
- 27.2 Trash may be placed aboard official [or support person] vessels.
27. PRIZES
- 28.1 First, Second and Third place awards shall be given for each class competing.
- 28.2 First, Second and Third place awards and Perpetual trophy to the 1st place finisher for the DRYA Sears, Bemis [420 Spin] and Smythe [Radial] Events. These awards will be given out by DRYA at the Annual Awards Banquet.
28. RISK STATEMENT:
- 29.1 RRS 3 states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone”. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent catastrophe or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.
- 29.2 The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, or personal injury, or death, or illness sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta, including but not limited to Covid-19 and related laws, regulations, and orders.
29. INSURANCE:
- Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$50,000 per incident or the equivalent.

# APPENDIX A

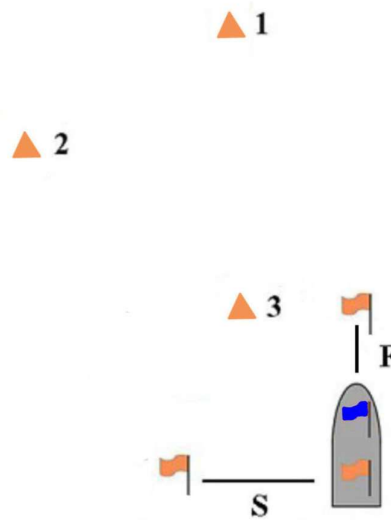
## DRYA Junior Sailing Course Diagrams

### Diagram 1



- Course 1 S-1-2<sub>p</sub>-F
- Course 2 S-1-2<sub>p</sub>-1-2<sub>p</sub>-F
- Course 3 S-1-1<sub>a</sub>-2<sub>p</sub>-F
- Course 4 S-1-1<sub>a</sub>-2<sub>s</sub> or 2<sub>p</sub>-1-1<sub>a</sub>-2<sub>p</sub>-F

### Diagram 2



- Course 1 S-1-2-3-F
- Course 2 S-1-2-3-1-3-F

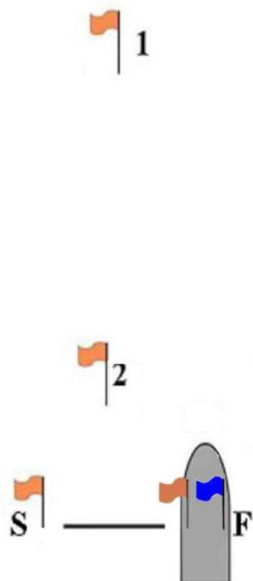
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(except 2s which is left to starboard except when finishing.)

# Appendix B

## DRYA Junior Sailing

### Course Diagrams

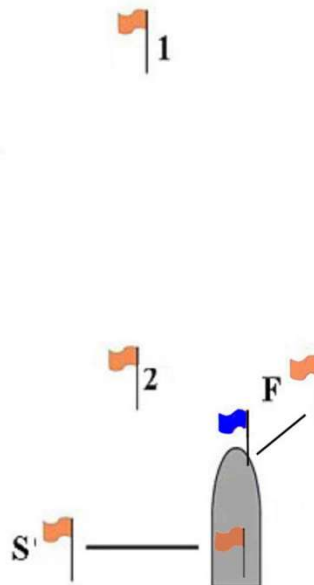
**Diagram 1**



Course W S-1-F

Course X S-1-2-1-F

**Diagram 2**



Course Y S-1-2-F

Course Z S-1-2-1-2-F

**Numbered marks are turning marks to be left to port**

**For Courses W&X the orange flag on the Rac Committee boat will be lowered after all boats have started for each race.**





# Appendix C

## DRYA Junior Sailing

### Course Diagram

