

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION



2017 Canadian Senior and Junior Championships
(Re-Sail)

Deed(s) of Gift
The Leckie Trophy

The Guelph Community Boating Club, Guelph/Eramosa. ON



1. RULES

Races shall be conducted in accordance with the following rules:

- 1.1. The rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) except as specifically modified by the SCIRA Constitution and By-laws as published in the current Class Rulebook (including subsequent amendments published in the Snipe Bulletin and/or on the official Web site of SCIRA).
- 1.2. The SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship Regattas (RoC).
- 1.3. In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instruction the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the Guelph Community Boating Club clubhouse

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before **0900** on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by **2000** on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2. Any change or amendment to the Sailing Instructions shall be negotiated with the SCIRA Representative.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at Guelph Community Boating Club flagstaff
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3. When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Dates of racing:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time of first Warning Signal</u>
Saturday, September 16 th	14:30
Sunday, September 17 th	10:30

- 5.2. The Race Committee shall attempt to complete **seven (7)** races.
- 5.3. No more than **four (4)** races shall be sailed per day.
- 5.4. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the course flag will be displayed with multiple sounds one minute before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.5. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after **1430**.
- 5.6. There shall be a competitors meeting prior to racing on Saturday, September 16 at 14:00 at Guelph Community Boating Club and announced by multiple sound signals and announcement over Public Address systems.

6. CLASS FLAGS

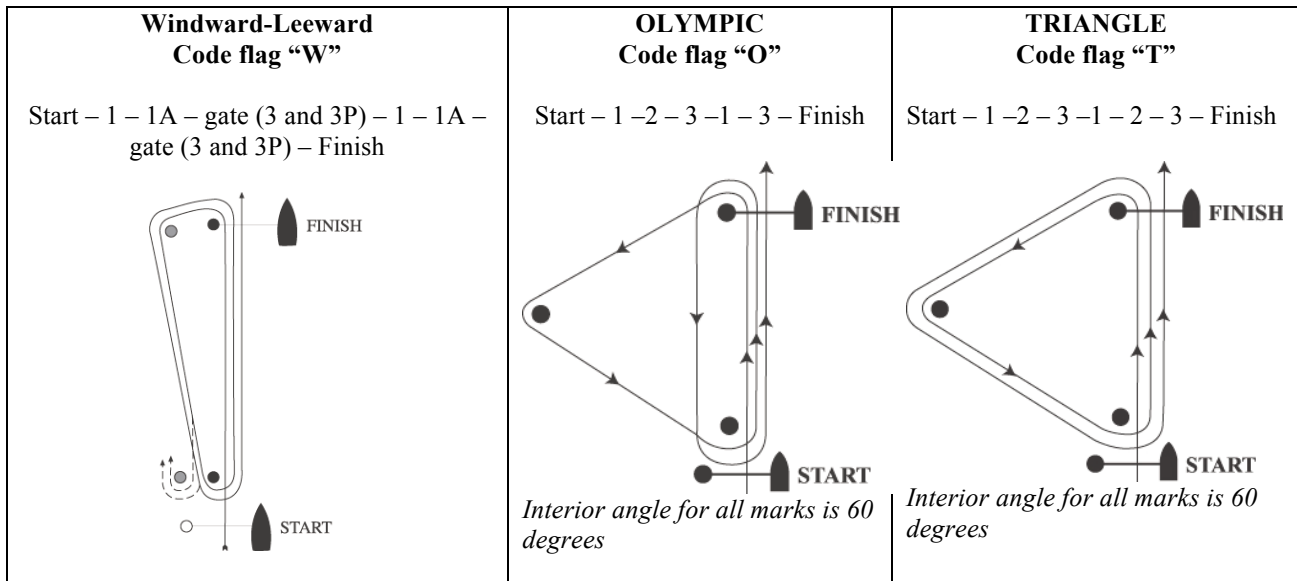
- 6.1 The official Class Flag shall be the Snipe Class flag, a red Snipe on a white background.

7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1 Racing will take place in area A or B as shown in Attachment 1 unless a notice is posted on the Official Notice Board.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The diagrams below show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed.



- 8.2. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg
- 8.3. The number of legs in a race may be reduced (using the shorten course procedure, RRS code flag S) only after at least 2 (two) windward legs of the race are completed. This changes RRS 32.2.
- 8.4. The course signal flag ("O", "T" or "W") will be displayed no later than one minute before the warning signal and accompanied by multiple sound signals. It shall remain displayed for at least ten minutes after the start.
- 8.5. In case of a change of the type of course during the race (ROC 9.2) the change at any mark will be signalled displaying the new appropriate flag and repetitive sounds before the leading boat has passed or rounded the mark.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Primary marks 1, 2 and 3 shall be orange tetrahedrons. Gate marks, if used, shall be orange cylinders.
- 9.2. The offset mark, if used, shall be an orange or red ball.
- 9.3. New marks used in accordance with instruction 12.1 - Change of the Next Leg of the Course, shall be yellow cylinders.
- 9.4. The starting mark shall be a pin with a yellow flag.
- 9.5. The finishing mark will be mark 1.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races shall be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2 All registrants regardless of subdivision will start at the same time.
- 10.3 The starting line shall be between a halyard or staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.5 RRS 30.3 ('Black Flag Rule') shall not be used.
- 10.6 The Race Committee, after the finish of a race and before the warning signal of a subsequent one, will do it's best to post on the Race Committee boat a list of OCS and/or ZPF boats. The failure of posting or an incomplete or wrong list will not be grounds for redress.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1. Individual recalls shall be signaled in accordance with RRS 29. An attempt to hail the On Course Side competitors shall be made, but failure to be hailed, the timing of such a hail, or failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for redress under RRS 62. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with a primary type of mark.
- 12.3. A triangular lap shall replace a leeward and windward lap if signalled close aboard mark 1 with Flag "T" (red, white and blue vertical stripes), accompanied with a periodic horn or whistle and displaying the approximate numerical compass bearing to the next mark on a board.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finish line will be between an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1 RRS Appendix P will apply however is modified so existing Appendix P penalties apply as follows:
- P2.1 applies to the first and second penalty (two turns),
 - P2.2 applies to the third and any subsequent penalties (retiring from race), and
 - P2.3 will not be used (retiring from race with score of DND).
 - Appendix P applies in its entirety and the only changes are the penalties for the First, Second, Third, and subsequent penalties as noted.

15. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 15.1. The races will be managed to last 60-75 minutes for the first boat to finish. A different time (shorter or longer) used to complete the race will not be ground for requesting redress.
- 15.2. The time limit for the first boat to complete the first lap is 40 minutes from the start. If the first boat fails to complete the first lap within 40 minutes, the Race Committee shall abandon the race. For the purpose of this Rule a lap means the rounding of Mark 3 for the first time.
- 15.3. The time limit for the first boat to finish is 2 hours. If the first boat fails to finish within 2 hours, the Race Committee shall abandon the race.
- 15.4. Boats which have not finished and are still racing 30 minutes after the first boat in their class finishes will be recorded as "Time Limit Expired"(TLE) and will receive a score 2 points more than the number of finishers, but no boat will receive a score greater than the points awarded a DNF. This changes rule 35, A4 and A5.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Guelph Community Boating Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the posted race committee dock time.
- 16.3. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Guelph Community Boating Club, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5. Within the protest time limit, a list of boats that have been penalized for breaking rule 42 or rule 29 and 30 will be posted. The time limit for a boat so notified to file a request for redress is 30 minutes after that posting. This changes rule 62.2.
- 16.6. Any boat intending to file a request for redress, alleging that an action or omission on the part of Race Committee has made her finishing position or series score significantly worse, shall notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing that race. This modifies RRS 62.2. This instruction does not apply to request for redress resulting from scoring penalties applied without a hearing by the Jury or Race Committee or to request for redress with respect to alleged scoring errors.
- 16.7. Breaches of instructions 18, 19.3, 20.1, 21, 23, and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- Penalties for breaking instructions 23 may be less than disqualification or will result in denial of access of the coach boat, if the protest committee so decides.
 - The penalty for breaking instructions 18 and 21 shall be the 10% scoring penalty for the first race competed in by the infringing boat on the day of infraction.
- 16.8. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.9. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.
- 16.10. The use of team racing tactics shall not be tolerated. If the Race Committee (acting under RRS 32.1(e)) or Protest Committee determines that the use of team racing tactics may have significantly influenced the outcome of a race they shall order that race abandoned and, if possible, re-sailed excluding the participation of the infringing boat(s). This modifies RRS 36. If the race is not re-sailed the infringing boat(s) shall be subject to protest and disqualification.
- 16.11. For the purpose of rule 64.3(b) RRS the "authority responsible" is the Measurer of the event.
- 16.12. The Jury shall abandon the race if, during a redress hearing, they conclude that the Race Committee did not follow SCIRA Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 9.1, and 9.3. This changes rule 64.2.

17. SCORING

- 17.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.2. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A shall be in effect except that when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the sum of her individual race scores.
- 17.3. A boat which starts but does not finish prior to the expiry of the Time Limit as described in SI 15 shall receive points equal to the number of finishers plus one. This changes RRS Appendix A4.2 and A5.

17.4. A boat intending to retire and be scored "RET" shall report its intent in writing to the Jury.

17.5. For the purposes of subdivision scoring:

- a. Silver subdivision will be scored from only entries registered in the Silver subdivision
- b. Junior subdivision will be scored from only entries registered in the Junior subdivision

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. Before the warning signal of the first race of the day each boat is required to sail past the stern of the race committee boat on starboard tack and verbally check in. The check-in boat will display a code flag "L" while on station prior to the first warning signal.
- 18.2. When the Race Committee verbally acknowledges a boat's sail number, the check-in has been officially noted.
- 18.3. Any boat failing to properly check in accordance with instructions 18.1 and 18.2 shall receive without a hearing, a 20% scoring penalty in the first race in which the boat competes on that day, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This changes rule 63.1 and A4.
- 18.4. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1. The same crew shall race in all races, except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted in writing to the Chairman. Once a crew has been excused, he/she may not return for the balance of the series.
- 19.2. The same skipper shall sail all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if he/she is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced the first race shall be the race dropped, or scored DNC.
- 19.3. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

20.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. EVENT ADVERTISING

21.1 Boats shall display event advertising if supplied by the organizing authority.

22. RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

22.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the SCIRA, the organizing authority, and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

23. SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1. Coaches and other competitor support personnel shall not enter the racing area during the race. The Race Committee may initiate additional restrictions by posting them on the Official Notice Board.
- 23.2. Coaches may not communicate with competitors after the warning signal for any race until after the finish of the race. At the warning signal, coaches must be positioned at least 50 meters below the starting line. After the starting signal coaches may observe the fleet, but only on the port side of the course and must stay 50 meters from any mark. Failure to comply with these stipulations, at the discretion of the Race Committee, will result in denial of access by the coach boat.
- 23.3. Coaches shall register with the Regatta Office and obtain a designated identifier that must be shown.

24. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 24.1. The discharge of refuse into the water is prohibited during the entirety of this event. Any boat observed to be in violation is subject to protest and assessment of a 20% penalty for the first race competed in by the infringing boat on the day of the infraction. RRS 60 is changed so that only the Race or Protest Committees may protest under this Sailing Instruction.
- 24.2. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

25. PRIZES

Prizes, at a minimum, will be awarded to the following:

- 25.1. The Leckie Trophy will be awarded to the top Canadian Crew

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

26.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

27. INSURANCE

27.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 US per incident or the equivalent.

Signatures:

tbc – Principal Race Office

Julian Inglis - SCIRA National Secretary

Attachment 1: Racing Area

Will be provided in advance of racing