



2009 One Design Spring Series



April 19, – June 14, 2009

Organizing Authority: Manasquan River Yacht Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2009 – 2012 Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Racing Rules Part 4 preamble, 28.1, 33, 33(a)(2), 35, 44.3, 44.3(c), A4.1, and Race Signals are changed as follows: [Part 4 preamble – see SI 4.3], [28.1 – see SI 11.3], [33 – see SI 11.4], [33(a)(2) – see SI 11.2], [35 – see SI 14.2], [44.3 see – SI 13.1], [44.3(c) – see SI 13.1], [A4.1 – see SI 10.4 & SI 14.2], [Race Signals – see SI 4.2].

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the basement of the clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted one hour before the first warning 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.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club's flagpole.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Dates of racing:

<u>Race</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>First Warning</u>	<u>Trophy</u>
1, 2 & 3	April 19, 2009	1500 hrs	Series Only
4, 5 & 6	May 3, 2009	1430 hrs	Series Only
7, 8 & 9	May 17, 2009	1300 hrs	Series Only
10, 11 & 12	May 31, 2009	1330 hrs	Series & Daily *
13, 14 & 15	June 14, 2009	1200 hrs	Series Only

*Note: The first race of the day constitutes the Memorial Day Trophy.

5.2 When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.



6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
M-SCOW	T
BLUE JAY	F
LASER	R
LASER RADIAL	K
OPTIMIST PRAM	O

7 RACING AREA

Manasquan River between Route 35 bridge and canal

8 THE COURSES

8.1 Attachment one (1) shows the fixed mark courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left and sailed. Attachment two (2) shows portable mark course descriptions, how the number of legs and the side on which each mark is to be left are to be indicated and sailed.

8.2 When there is a leeward gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and then round either gate mark.

9 MARKS

9.1 Fixed marks will be drums painted orange and white with identifying letters. Portable marks will be orange drop marks.

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be yellow inflatables.

9.3 The starting mark will be a blue inflatable.

9.4 The finishing mark on portable mark courses will be a blue inflatable, or a drum painted orange and white with the letter "A" painted in black, located in front of the MRYC main dock.

9.5 The finishing mark on fixed mark courses will be a drum painted orange and white with the letter "A" painted in black, located in front of the MRYC main dock.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.4 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1.

10.5 A white shape displayed on the committee boat indicates that the committee boat is establishing a starting line. Keep clear of the area between the committee boat and any nearby mark.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 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.



11.2 RRS 33 (a)(2) is changed to read a green rectangular flag or board for a change to starboard or a red rectangular flag or board for a change to port.

11.3 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of course and the nearby mark. This changes RRS 28.1.

11.4 During the race, “gate” marks may be repositioned without signal for minor changes in course. This instruction changes Rule 33.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and the finishing mark, or between the finishing mark and a staff displaying an orange flag on the club dock.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply. Racing rule 44.3 is changed to additionally provide that protests involving a rule of part 2 are subject to mandatory arbitration prior to a hearing in which case the Scoring penalty shall be 40% as calculated in RRS 44.3. RRS 44.3(c) is further modified to calculate any applicable scoring penalty based upon the number of boats starting the applicable race. This changes RRS 44.3.

13.2 As provided in rule 67, the protest committee may, without a hearing, penalize a boat that has broken RRS 42.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 Time limits are as follows: Time limit forty five (45) minutes; First mark time limit twenty (20) minutes. If no boat has passed the first mark within the first mark time limit the race will be abandoned.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

15. ARBITRATION, PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protests and/or requests for redress shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer within the protest time limit.

15.2 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

15.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15.4 An arbitration meeting will be held at MRYC’s clubhouse at the convenience of the arbitrator and interested parties no later than five (5) days following the applicable race, for protests involving a rule of part 2 unless the arbitrator deems it inappropriate for arbitration. One representative from each boat involved in the incident and/or from the Race Committee, who was on board at the time of the incident, will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses are permitted. After taking testimony from each representative, the arbitrator will render his or her opinion:

- a. The protest is invalid or no boat broke a rule. If the protestor agrees, the protest may be withdrawn. If the protestor disagrees, the protest committee will hear the protest as provided for in 15.5.
- b. One or both boats broke a rule. The boat(s) breaking a rule may accept a 40% Scoring penalty and the protest may be withdrawn. If not, the protest committee will hear the protest as provided for in 15.5.
- c. The arbitrator decides a full protest hearing is required. In which case the protest committee will hear the protest as provided for in 15.5.



15.5 Protest hearings for unresolved protests will be held at MRYC's clubhouse at the convenience of the protest committee and interested parties no later than five (5) days following the applicable race.

16 SCORING

16.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. RRS A.9, Race Scores in a Series Longer than a Regatta, replaces RRS A4.2.

16.2 The number of scheduled races is 15 of which 1 must be completed to constitute the series.

16.3 A registered boat that does not come to the starting line will be scored DNC. DNCS are excludable as provided below.

16.4 When fewer than 6 races have been completed by her class, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

16.5 When 6 or 7 races have been completed by her class, a boat's score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score.

16.6 When 8 or 9 races have been completed by her class, a boat's score will be the total of all her race score(s) excluding her two worst scores.

16.7 When 10 or 11 races have been completed by her class, a boat's score will be the total of all her race score(s) excluding her three worst scores.

16.8 When 12, 13, or 14 races have been completed by her class, a boat's score will be the total of all her race score(s) excluding her four worst scores.

16.9 When 15 races have been completed by her class, a boat's score will be the total of all her race score(s) excluding her five worst scores.

16.10 Points shall be awarded to a boat and may not be transferred except by specific written permission of the Regatta Committee.

16.11 No race shall be declared official unless three or more entrants come to the starting line.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Boats intending to race shall check in at the committee boat not less than five (5) minutes prior to her warning signal.

17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17.3 Boats are required to have on board at all times while racing the following safety equipment:

	<u>Paddle</u>	<u>Pump or Bailer</u>	<u>Anchor</u>	<u>Anchor/Tow Line</u>	<u>PFD</u>
Laser	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Laser Radial	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
"M" Sloop	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Blue Jay	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Optimist Pram	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

- Notes:**
1. Manual bailer must be a minimum of 4-quart capacity.
 2. All boats must carry a towline solely dedicated to towing and/or anchoring and readily available for use at all times. Line must be at least 24' long and of sufficient strength to tow a swamped boat.

18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of skippers, or changes of sail numbers, will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.



19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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 member to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Code flag "L" and any applicable class flag(s) displayed at the finish indicate a mandatory inspection. Boats whose class flag(s) have been displayed are required to respond by checking in with a patrol boat or a committee boat for inspection.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

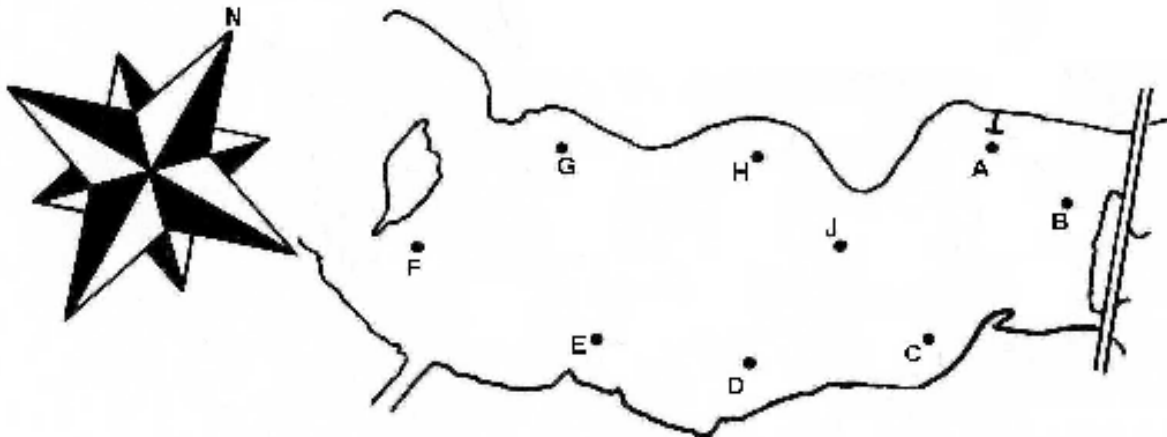
22 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of the policy limit of their homeowner's insurance policy per event or the equivalent thereof.



ATTACHMENT 1 FIXED MARK RIVER COURSES

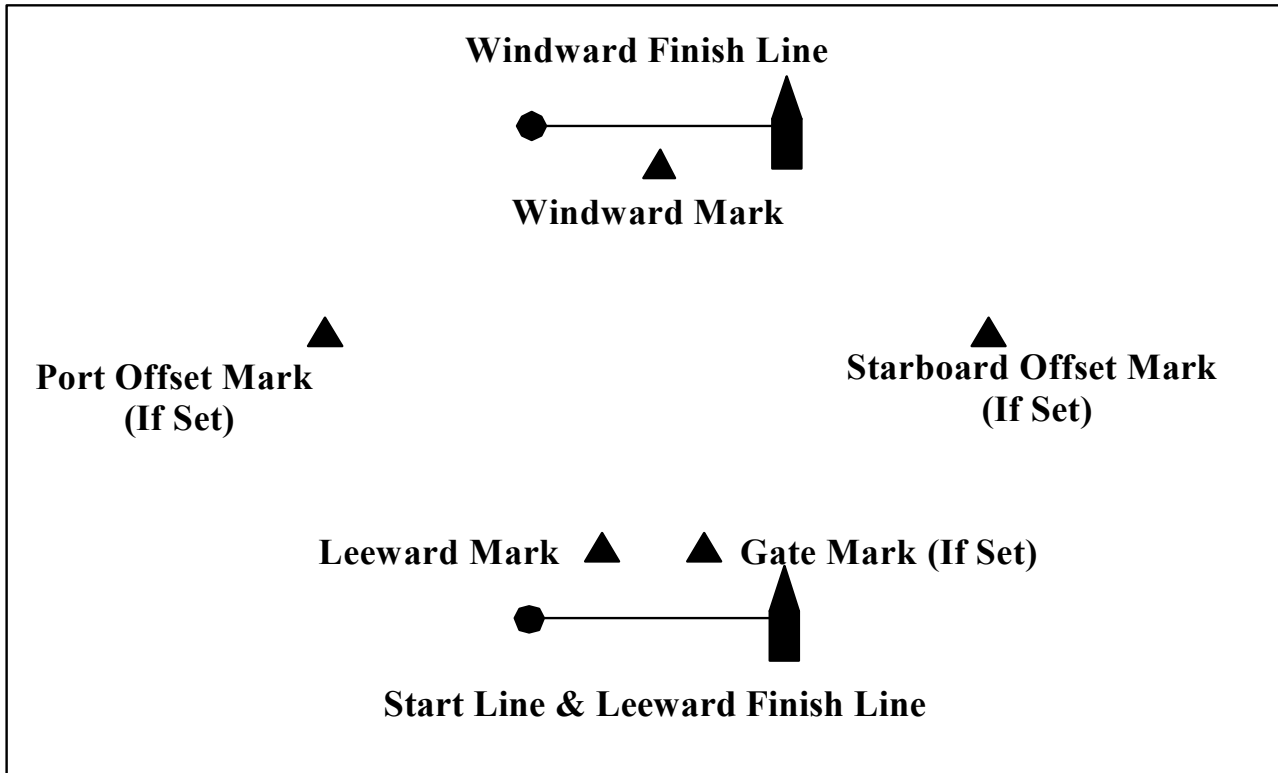
WIND	COURSE SIGNAL	START NEAR	COURSE	FINISH LOCATION
NORTH	1	(E)	L Hs Dp Cp	As
	2	(E)	L Hs Dp Js Cp	As
NORTH EAST	3	(D)	L Bs Ds Bs Ds	As
	4	(E)	L Bs Es	As
EAST	5	(G)	L Cp Gp Cp	As
	6	(G)	L Jp Hp Gp Jp	As
SOUTH EAST	7	(G)	L Ep Cp Hp Jp	As
	8	(H)	L Ds Gp Ep Cp	As
SOUTH	9	(H)	L Ep Hp Dp	As
	10	(J)	L Dp Jp Dp Bp Cp	As
SOUTH WEST	11	(H)	L Fp Ep Hs Cp	As
	12	(J)	L Es Fs	As
WEST	13	(C)	L Gp Ep Hs Cp	As
	14	(J)	L Gp Ds Es Fs	As
NORTH WEST	15	(E)	L Gs Dp Js Cp Bp	Ap
	16	(C)	L Hp Fp Ep Bp	Ap





ATTACHMENT 2

Portable Mark Courses



Note: The Committee at its discretion may finish the last race of the day at the Club. In this event boats shall finish from the direction of the last mark, and finish between Mark "A" and the club dock. In this event the committee will display a **RED SHAPE** at the start of the race.

COURSE INFORMATION

- W/L # (P/S)** means Windward/Leeward, Number of Legs, Port or Starboard roundings.
- T # (P/S)** means Triangle, Number of Legs, Port or Starboard roundings.
- T # (P/S)+W/L # (P/S)** means Triangle, Number of Legs, Port or Starboard roundings **plus** Windward/Leeward, Number of Legs, Port or Starboard roundings.

WHEN THERE IS A LEEWARD GATE, BOATS SHALL SAIL BETWEEN THE GATE MARKS FROM THE DIRECTION OF THE PREVIOUS MARK AND THEN ROUND EITHER GATE MARK.