

South Shore - Social Sailing Series

May 31 – September 13, 2017

South Shore Yacht Club
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The South Shore Yacht Club Social Sailing Series (SS-SSS) races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for US Nearshore Safety Equipment Personnel 3.1.2, including the following amendment, will apply.

“All personnel on deck shall wear floatation while starting and finishing without exception, and at all other times except when the Person in Charge of the boat directs that it may be set aside.”

- 1.3 Racing rule Appendix A9 is changed as follows:

A boat that is disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the number of boats in her section that came to the starting area.

- 1.4 The SS-SSS Fleet reserves the right to adjust and may change the SS-SSS Base Handicap for specific boats.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the south wall of the SSYC derrick house.

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted before 1700 hours on the day before it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 hours on the day one week before it takes effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the South Shore Yacht Club flag mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 20 minutes’ in the race sign

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The SS-SSS races are scheduled as follows:

Spring Series:

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| May 31 | June 7 | June 14 | June 21 | July 5 |
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Summer Series:

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| July 12 | July 19 | July 26 | August 2 | August 9 |
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Fall Series:

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| August 16 | August 23 | August 30 | Sept. 6 | Sept. 13 |
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5.2 The scheduled times of the warning signals for the Wednesday evening series are as follows:

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|---------------|---------|------|-----------|
| Section 5 | Warning | 1815 | Pennant 5 |
| Section 4 | Warning | 1820 | Pennant 4 |
| Section 3 | Warning | 1825 | Pennant 3 |
| Section 2 | Warning | 1830 | Pennant 2 |
| Section 1 & 6 | Warning | 1835 | Pennant 1 |

6. RACING AREA

The racing area is shown in the attached Illustration A.

7. THE COURSES

7.1 The diagrams in Illustration B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left and the course length.

7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the designated course and the approximate compass bearing from the starting mark to the first mark.

7.3 The race committee may start a race at a perimeter mark. When courses 'A', 'C' and 'K' are started at a perimeter mark, the center mark is not a mark of the course.

8 MARKS

8.1 The marks used on the Racing Area are described as follows:

- The Center mark, 'C' and Mark 'N' are an orange cylinder with a horizontal white stripe and a white post on top .
- The South mark, 'S', is a large green government bell buoy.
- Mark 'W' is a 4 foot diameter orange spheres with a horizontal white strip.
- Marks 'SW' and 'NW' are orange cylinders with a horizontal white stripe and a black post on top.

8.2 Any missing fixed mark will be replaced with an orange or yellow inflatable mark.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff or halyard holding an orange flag, on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.
- 9.2 The starting area is defined as an area extending one-half the length of the line behind it and beyond each end.
- 9.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area and all yachts whose warning signal has been made.
- 9.4 Before the starting signal for her section, each boat shall pass the stern of the race committee boat and hail her sail number.
- 9.5 Code flag T, when displayed with or before the warning signal, means to "Sail the prescribed course twice around".
- 9.6 The race committee will attempt to broadcast or hail the sail number of any individual recalled boat (s). Failure to hail or the order of the hails will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finish line will be between a staff or halyard holding a blue flag on the race committee boat, with flag S when the course is shortened, at the starboard end and the port end finishing mark.
- 10.2 Any boat that races and then retires from the race and fails to notify the race committee may be protested. If disqualified, she will be scored DNE, Disqualification Not Excludable. This amends Appendix A.
- 10.3 All boats finishing after dusk shall illuminate their mainsail number during their finish.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply. The penalty will be the number of places equal to the greater of 3 or 20% (rounding 0.5 upward) of the number of boats starting in the section. If the infraction is acknowledged after the race has completed, the penalty will become 30%.

12 TIME LIMIT

The time limit is 2030. Any boat not finished by the time limit will be scored DNF. This changes rule 35.

13 PROTESTS

- 13.1 Protest forms are available at the South Shore Yacht Club race office. Protests shall be delivered to a race committee representative, the fleet captain or the scorer within one hour of the docking of the race committee boat.
- 13.2 Requests for redress concerning Series Scoring or Season Scoring must be submitted within 1 week of the posting of those results.

14 SCORING

- 14.1 The SS-SSS handicap system, as described in the attached fleet rules, will apply.
- 14.2 The Low-Point System of Appendix A will apply, modified as follows:

A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series as of that race. This changes rule A9.

- 14.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 14.4 For the Spring, Summer and Fall Series, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 14.5 For Season Series, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst scores for one third (1/3) of the number of races completed.
- 14.6 Any request for a scoring correction must be made to the fleet captain or scorer before the Monday following the race in question.

15 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. The race committee and racing boats will monitor VHF channel 69. The Race Committee will provide pertinent race information on this channel. A boat shall not monitor private communications between race committee personnel, except as permitted by this notice of race or the sailing instructions.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Flags for SS-SSS will be awarded as follows:
 - a) Boats placing first through fourth in each section for the Spring, Summer and Fall Series.
- 16.2 Prizes for SS-SSS will be awarded as follows:
 - a) Boats placing first through fifth in each section for the Season.
- 16.3 Overall prizes will be awarded to the boats finishing first for the season in the Spinnaker Division and in the JAM Division.

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Fleet Rules

1 Handicapping

1.1 Definitions

- (a) Base Handicap: The LM-PHRF adjusted handicap or SS-SSS assigned base handicap.
- (b) Initial Handicap: Base Handicap + 15%.
- (c) Current Handicap: Either the Initial Handicap, or the weekly adjusted handicap, based on the handicap adjustment method.

1.2 Handicap Adjustment Method

A boat's handicap will not be greater than her SS-SSS Base Handicap + 30%.

There will be no limit to the amount that it can be reduced.

There will be no handicap adjustment for the size of a boat's sails.

Places used in the handicap adjustment, below, exclude DNF, DSQ, etc.

All handicap adjustments will be rounded up to the next whole number.

The Current Handicap will be adjusted based on the previous weeks race results as follows:

- (a) In the top 20% of its section, subtract 4%.
- (b) In the second 20% of its section, subtract 2%.
- (c) In the third 20% of its section, no change.
- (d) In the fourth 20% of its section add 2%.
- (e) In the bottom 20% of its section, add 4%.

2 JAM Division

2.1 Rules

- (a) JAM boats will use only one Jib and one Mainsail at any time while racing.
- (b) Whisker poles are allowed but cannot be longer than the J measurement of the boat.

2.2 Transferring Divisions

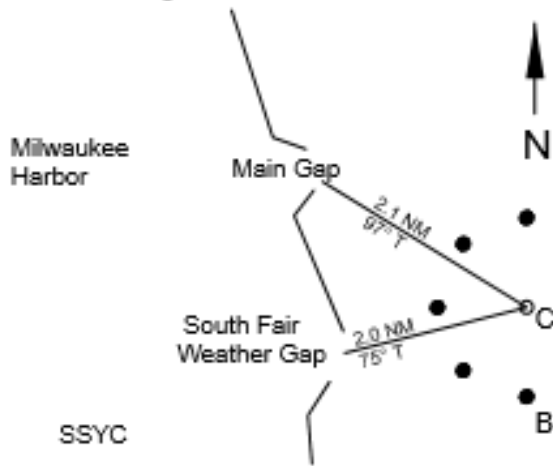
A boat may transfer into or out of the JAM Division once during the season, with notice to the fleet captain at least 7 days prior to the first race of the Spring, Summer, or Fall series, for which the transfer will be effective.

2.3 Trophies

Boats transferring into or out of the JAM Division are eligible for Spring, Summer, or Fall Series prizes, but not for Season Series prizes.

ILLUSTRATION A

Not to be used for navigation



LEGEND



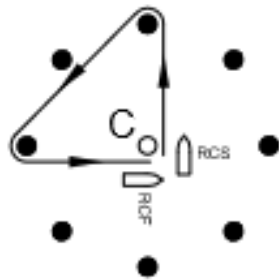
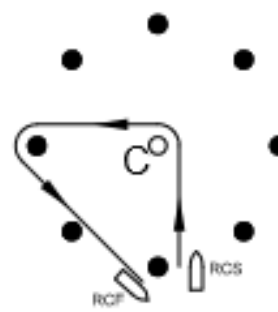
- = Race Mark
- = South Race Area Center Mark [only a mark when used for a start, finish, or rounding mark]
- B = Bell Buoy
-  = Race Committee Start
-  = Race Committee Finish

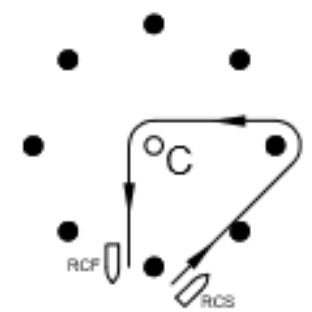
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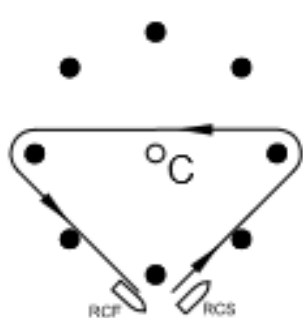
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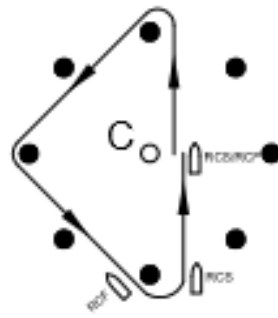
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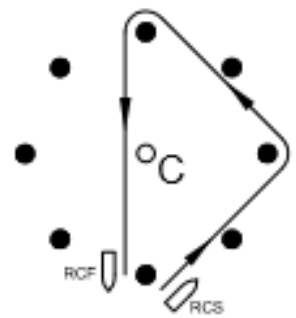
Course "F" 3.4 NM



Course "A" 4.8 NM



Course "K" 4.8 NM



Course "C" 4.8 NM