



8th Annual RDDA Team Race Regatta

Sailing Instructions

December 1, 2019

1 RULES

- 1.1 The races shall be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* then in effect (RRS) and the 2019-2020 RDDA Supplemental Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 PFDs shall be worn at all times while on the water.

2 TEAMS

- 2.1 Teams will be selected by the Race Administrator from those who sign up for the event so as to be as evenly matched as possible. The team selections shall be announced at the Skippers' Meeting and shall be final. The composition of a team or teams shall not be grounds for redress.
- 2.2 Teams will be provided colored streamers to be flown from the forestay while racing.

3 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors, if any, will be posted on the official notice board at the Riverside Yacht Club or may be announced prior to any race by the Race Committee.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the schedule or sailing instructions will be posted no later than 1045 on the day of the regatta and will be available at the front desk of the Riverside Yacht Club.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, December 1	1115	Skippers' Meeting
	1200	First Warning Signal

6 RACING AREA

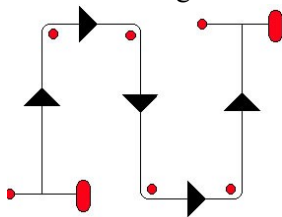
The racing area will be in the waters of Cos Cob Harbor.

7 FORMAT

- 7.1 Format will be Round Robin with rotating starts.
- 7.2 Subject to wind and weather conditions, the format may be a single or multiple round robin of all teams, or teams may be split into groups for a preliminary round robin, followed by a championship series or round-robin. The Principal Race Officer and Fleet Captain(s) may change the format or terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format. The format to be attempted, contingency formats, if any, and changes to the format will be communicated orally in accordance with Rule 90.2 (c).

8 COURSE

- 8.1 The course will be a Digital N as shown.



- 8.2 Course lengths are at the discretion of the Race Committee.

9 MARKS

Rounding marks will be balls or inflatables

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using a two-minute starting sequence that is a modification of the Sound Signal Starting System of Rule 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a yellow flagged staff on the Race Committee boat and a staff displaying a yellow flagged buoy on the port end.
- 10.3 The warning signal will be flags in the colors of the teams paired for the start. The warning signal for subsequent races will be given as soon as practicable.

11 RECALLS

- 11.1 The Race Committee will endeavor to identify recalled boats by a sail number using a loud hailer.
- 11.2 Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification and the order and timing of such hail shall not be grounds for redress.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a red flagged staff on the Race Committee finish boat and a staff displaying a red flagged buoy on the port end.

13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The time limit for each race will be 20 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes Rule 35.
- 13.2 The decision to abandon a race may be communicated orally by the Race Committee. This changes Rule 32.1.

14 WITHDRAWAL

A boat that withdraws from a race or that does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the Race Committee at the first opportunity.

15 SAIL CONFIGURATION

The fleet will race under a full main if the conditions allow. If the conditions make it unsafe to sail with the full main, the Fleet Captain(s) and/or Race Committee may call for the use of small sails. The decision of which sail configuration to be used will initially be made before the fleet leaves the docks and may be changed thereafter before the warning signal for any race. Adequate time will be allowed for the fleet to change sails.

16 PROTESTS

- 16.1 Protests will be resolved by 5-minute justice and must be registered with the Race Committee immediately upon finishing the race in which the incident occurred.
- 16.2 This event will not be umpired.
- 16.3 A one turn penalty involving one tack and one gybe (in either order) may be taken for breaking a rule of Part 2 of the RRS. This modifies Rule 44.1. The penalty turn must be taken as soon after the incident as possible.

17 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the first-place team at the RDDA Spring banquet.

19 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY

Riverside Yacht Club and the RDDA are not responsible and will not accept any liability for bodily injury, death, or property damage suffered from any cause. Each participant participates in the regatta entirely at his/her own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against Riverside Yacht Club, its Race Committee, the RDDA, and all officers, trustees, committee members, members, agents, or employees of Riverside Yacht Club and/or the RDDA. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea, and other conditions rests with each participant as has the responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding whether to sail. Assistance, if any, from the Race Committee or Riverside Yacht Club chase boats, and from any personnel manning them, is entirely at the risk of the participant.