



ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB
Established in 1877

Dinghy Fleet Notice of Race 2023 Season

1 RULES

The racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020 edition, including US Sailing Prescriptions), hereinafter referred to as RRS.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 CLASSES

This NOR applies to any dinghy class participating in the following races or series:

- Summer Thursday Series

2.2 ELIGIBILITY

Entries in RYC club races shall be limited to boats owned or chartered by an RYC, RJYC, Junior program Sailing Alumni (High School sailing included).

Each boat must have atleast one sailor experienced enough to sail around the course on their own in order to compete.

2.4 REGISTRATION FEES

The registered skipper must pay a nominal fee of 100\$ for the season or \$10 per night. Fees will pay for occasional burgers and dogs after racing. All further proceeds will be donated to the Rochester Community Boating Foundation. Must register on: [📍 Dinghy Fleet](#)

2.5 CREW ELIGIBILITY

Regular crewmembers of boat participating in club races are expected to apply for membership in RYC.

2.6 FLEET DUES - NONE

3 SCHEDULE

Racing shall be held every Thursday from the Thursday before Memorial Day to the third Thursday in August.

The order of start and approximate starting times for races are listed in Attachment #1.

5 SCORING

One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series or regatta.

5.1 TROPHIES:

- Laser Fleet Overall Champion
- The Coveted Pippinappleopolis Trophy



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DINGHY FLEET

Sailing Instructions

2023 Season

1. RULES

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2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be communicated on the website, by cell phone or by hailing.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be at the discretion of the Fleet Captain(s) and/ or Race Committee. Any change in the Schedule of Races will be posted on line before 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

There will be no signals made ashore. Any communication to the fleet will be done through cell phone to / from Race Committee and Fleet Captain(s).

5. RACING AREAS

The racing area is Area D shown on the chart. (Attachment #2)

6. THE COURSES

The course shall be a windward-leeward with the start/finish line below the gate if one is set. The weather mark is to be rounded to port. The leeward marks shall be a gate or the pin will be used and rounded to port. A 1 or 2 flag on the Race Committee boat will display the number of times around the course.

The Race Committee may elect to use a separate finishing mark on the starboard side

of the committee boat. This will be communicated to the fleet before the start.

The Race Committee may make the decision to shorten course at any mark of the course without any warning.

7. MARKS

Marks will be tetrahedrons, balls or cylinders.

8. THE START

Races will be started in accordance with RRS Appendix S Sound Signal Starting System.

The sequence will begin with 5 short blasts prior to the warning signal. This modifies RRS 26.

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

The race committee may attempt to notify premature starters by hailing sail numbers, boat name or hull numbers. Failure to hear a hail will not be Grounds for Redress under RRS 62.

The Starting Line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the main committee boat and the course side of a mark designating the port end of the Starting Line.

Any boat not starting within 5 minutes of her starting signal for a race will be scored DNS for that race. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

4 of the same type of boat on the water will constitute having their own start. If the Racing authority deems it appropriate a conglomerate start will take place instead.

First signal will be at 1830.
No race started after 2000.

The Go/No Go decision will be made at the dock 45 minutes before the start. Decision



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will be announced on the VHF radio by the Fleet Captain or designate. Radio channel TBD.

9. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the specified finishing mark.

The Race Committee may elect to use a separate finishing mark on the starboard side of the committee boat. This will be communicated to the fleet before the start.

10. TIME LIMIT

The Time Limits for each of the races/series are noted in Attachment #1. This changes RRS 35.0

For each class their race shall be abandoned if no boat rounds the first mark within 15 minutes of their class start.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests shall be written on forms available at the RYC clubhouse bar or downloaded from the US SAILING website. Written protests shall be filed within 60 minutes of the official arrival of the Committee Boat at the dock.

Written protests should be filed per RRS 61.3 and placed in the depository located at the RYC Clubhouse Bar. Each protest form shall contain the date and time it was placed in the depository and this information must be attested to by the signature of the bartender on duty.

Protests will be heard at the RYC Clubhouse, unless designated otherwise on the official race committee notice board. Protest hearings will be conducted following each day's racing, unless designated otherwise on the official race committee notice board. Every effort will be made to schedule timely protest hearings and to provide reasonable

schedule notification to all involved parties of the protest(s).

12. SCORING

The Scoring System described in Attachment #3 will apply.

13. WITHDRAWAL

A boat which retires from a race shall make all reasonable efforts to notify the Race Committee by hail, VHF radio, or cell phone.

14. SAFETY

A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

Each competitor is individually responsible for wearing personal buoyancy adequate for the conditions.

The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

15. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 16 and 67.

17. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at a time to be scheduled later.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 racing.



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Attachment #1 - Starting Procedure

1. THURSDAY EVENING DINGHY SAILING

1.1 ORDER OF START

Class	Warning
Dinghies	1830

1.2 SUBSEQUENT STARTS

4 races are scheduled for each evening.

Subsequent starts will be signaled as soon as practical after the finish of the previous race. Note that the order of start may change.

Time limit for each race is 30 minutes.

Races shall be abandoned at the discretion of the race committee.

No races will be started after 2000.

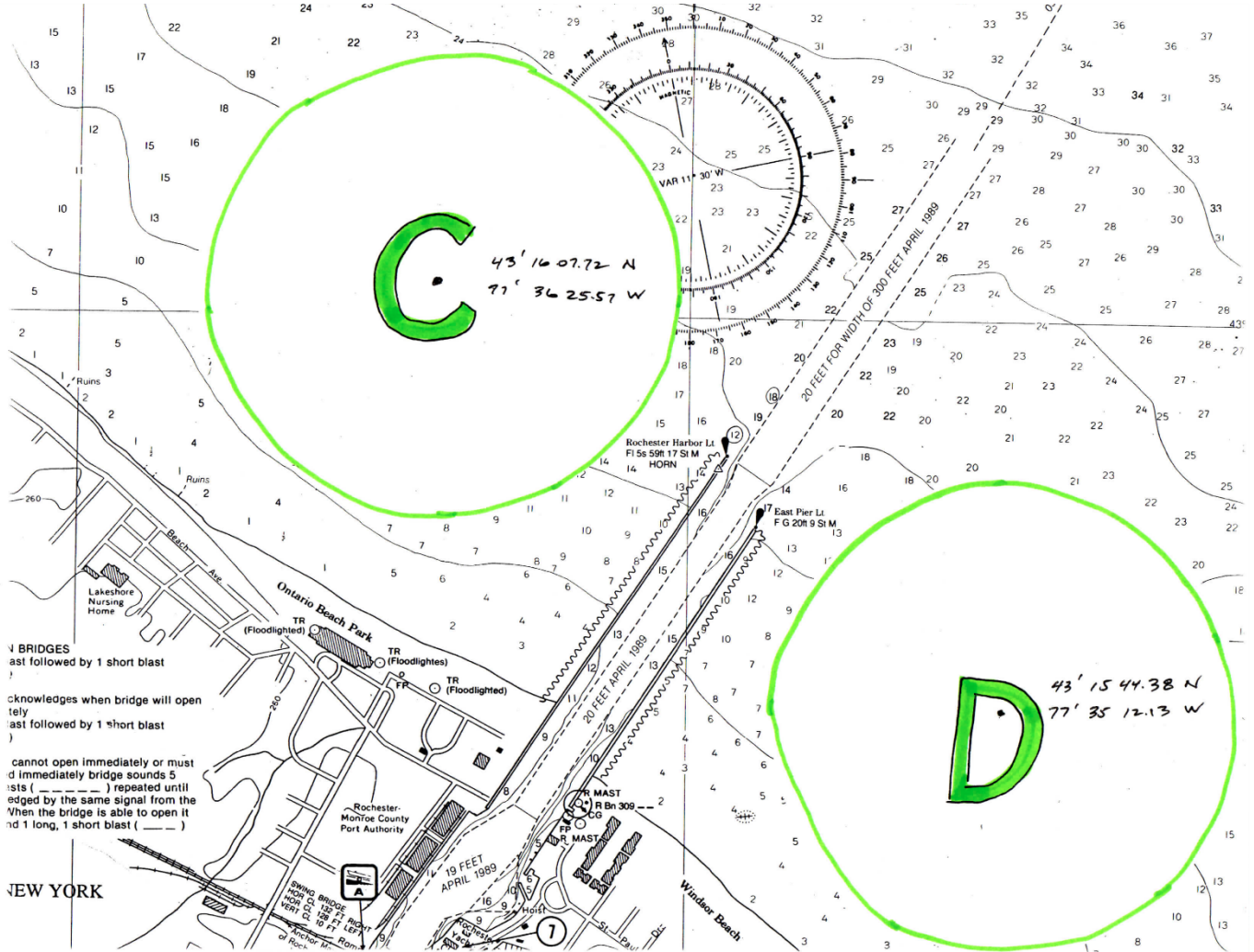


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Attachment #2 - Racing Area



Note: This Chart Should Not Be Used For Navigation



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Attachment #3 – Scoring

1. DINGHY FLEET SCORING

1.1 RACE SCORING

The Low Point system, RRS Appendix A, shall apply.

1.2 INDIVIDUAL SERIES SCORING

For the purposes of Series Scoring, the boat is scored regardless of the skipper.

The individual race scores, excluding the drops as set forth above, shall be combined on a percentage basis and the lowest percentage for the series wins.

If your boat does not start a race you “will not be scored” this counts for all series

If your boat does not finish a race you will be scored as (the number of boats starting the race plus one point).

If your boat is disqualified you will be scored as (the number of boats starting the race plus two points).

If you retire after a finish (RAF), you will be scored the number of boats starting the race plus two points.

1.3 SERIES CHAMPIONSHIP

The Series champion shall be the boat with the lowest combined score.

1.5 OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP

An overall champion shall be determined by averaging the finish place for the Series Championship and the finishing place for the Regatta Championship.

In the event of a tie, the boat that has the best finish in the series championship shall prevail.

At this time only, RYC and RJYC members can qualify for overall Champion. Laser overall champion and 420 overall champion will be awarded.



Attachment #4

Equipment & Accommodations Standards

1.0 PURPOSE & USE

1.1 Purpose

It is the purpose of these special regulations to establish uniform minimum equipment and accommodations standards for boats racing in Rochester Yacht Club series races and thereby to aid in promoting uniform racing.

1.2 Use

These regulations do not replace, but rather supplement, the requirements of governmental authority, the Racing Rules of Sailing, and RYC. The attention of skippers is called to restrictions in the RRS regarding the location and movement of equipment.

2.0 OWNER'S RESPONSIBILITY

2.1 Safety

The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of owners who must do their best to ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. They must be satisfied as to the soundness of hull, spars, rigging, sails and all gear. They must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed, and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is to be used.

2.2 No Limitation

Neither the establishment of these special regulations, their use by RYC, nor the inspection of a boat under these regulations shall in any way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibility of the owner.

2.3 Decision To Race

It is the sole and exclusive responsibility of each skipper to decide whether or not to start or continue a race.

2.4 Certificate of Compliance

It is a condition to entering each race that the owner agrees that his/her boat will be in compliance with all of these standards when entering any race to which these requirements apply.

3.0 MINIMUM CREW

Class rules shall apply.

4.0 INSPECTION

By entering any RYC race or series, the owner agrees that the boat may be inspected before or after any race for compliance with these standards. It is the skipper's responsibility to make arrangements for the inspection with their Division Captain.