



ROCHESTER YACHT CLUB

Established in 1877

ILCA Sailing Instructions 2022 Season

1. RULES

These races will be governed by rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing – (2021 – 2024 edition, including US Sailing Prescriptions), hereinafter referred to as “RRS.”

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be communicated on the RYC 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 online 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 from Race Committee and Fleet Captain(s).

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The schedule of races is set forth on the sailing calendar posted on the RYC website. The order of start and approximate starting times for races are listed in Attachment #1.

6. RACING AREAS

Will be 1nm ENE of the Rochester Piers.

7. THE COURSES

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

The starting line is closed to all ILCA and open to all Ideal 18's.

The Race Committee may make the decision to move a windward or leeward mark during a leg without any warning. This modifies RRS 33.

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

8. MARKS

Marks will be tetrahedrons, balls or cylinders.

9. THE START

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

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.



10. THE FINISH

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

The Race Committee may elect to use the finishing line between a staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the specified finishing mark.

11. TIME LIMIT

The Time Limits for each of the races is 90 Minutes

12. 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.

13. SCORING

The Scoring System described in Attachment #3 will apply.

14. 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.

15. SAFETY

Life Jackets are required to be worn.

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

It is the responsibility of the competitor to be able to return to dock without tow or assistance.

16. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

17. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 16

18. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded at Cups and Flags.

19. 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.



Attachment #1 - Starting Procedure

1.1 ORDER OF START

Class	Flag	Warning
Ideal 18	Class Flag	1830
ILCA	Class Flag	1835

1.2 SUBSEQUENT STARTS

Three (3) 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.

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

The number of races will be determined by the Race Committee

Attachment #3 – Scoring

1. LASER FLEET SCORING

1.1 RACE SCORING

The Low Point system, RRS Appendix A4, shall apply.

ILCA (4,6,7) Standard, Radial and 4.7 rigs will all be scored as one fleet. It is permitted to switch your rig type from week to week.

1.2 INDIVIDUAL SERIES SCORING

Scoring will be low point RRS A4, except that a boat's score for a boat that did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for finishing one more than the number of boats that finished. This modifies RRS A4.2

Series scoring will be on a low point system. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score once 6 races have been scored. This modifies RRS A2.1.

It takes 3 races to constitute a series.