

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE SAILING CLUB

and

YOUNGSTOWN YACHT CLUB

The organizing authority is the Niagara-on-the-Lake Sailing Club.



2023 Sailing Instructions

For the Fall Regatta, Sunday, September 17, 2023

Release date: September 3, 2023

1 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 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.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at https://niagaraonthelakesailingclub.com/racing.
- 2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be made at the flagpole nearest the NOLSC riverfront.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 Three races are scheduled to be run on Sunday, September 17.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first class is 1015.
- 4.3 No warning signal will be made after 1600.

5 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flags are:

Class	Class Flag
Shark	Numeral pennant 1
Not Flying Spinnaker (NFS)	Numeral pennant 2
PHRF-I & PHRF-II	Numeral pennant 3
Laser 28	Numeral pennant 4

6 RACING AREA

The races will be held in the Niagara Race Area.

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7 COURSES

- 7.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum A 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.
- 7.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course designation:
 - (a) The Shark, PHRF-I, PHRF-II and Laser 28 course will be displayed on the upper row of the course board, and
 - (b) The NFS course will be displayed on the lower row of the course board.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Mark 1a (Sharks) is a red inflatable ball.
- 8.2 Mark 1b (NFS, PHRF and Laser 28) is an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
- 8.3 Marks 2 and 3 are orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 8.4 The starting and finishing marks are the race committee signal vessel and a red inflatable tetrahedron.
- 8.5 New marks, as provided in SI 10, are:
 - (a) Mark 1a is a white inflatable ball;
 - (b) Mark 1b, 2 or 3 is a yellow inflatable tetrahedron.

9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line is a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 9.3 The race committee intends to start races in the sequence listed in SI 5. Failure of the race committee to follow that sequence will not be grounds for redress.
- 9.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

A course change will be announced verbally on VHF 69. This changes RRS 33.

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line is a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 11.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position relative to nearby racing boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Target Time, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

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Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 minutes	45 minutes	90 minutes	30 minutes

- 12.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 12.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 12.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

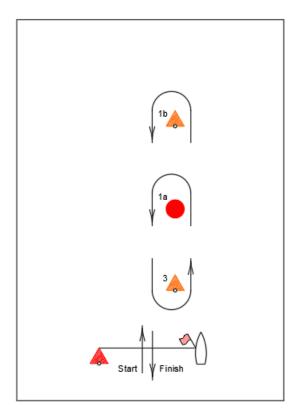
13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee vessel signals her return to her mooring.
- 13.2 Hearing request forms are available from the race office located at the A-Frame or can be download at https://niagaraonthelakesailingclub.com/racing. Hearing Forms shall be delivered to the race office.
- 13.3 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and the location of the hearing room.

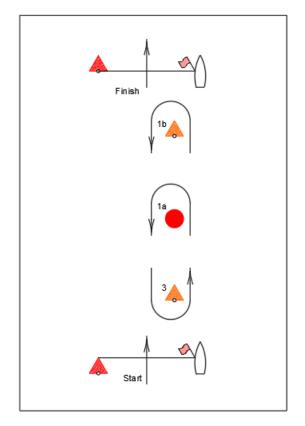
14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

Addendum A – Course Diagrams

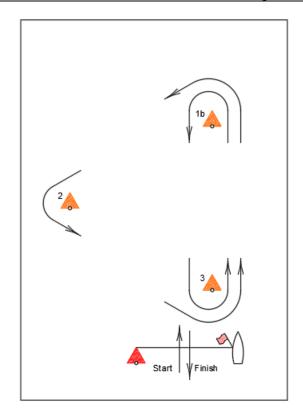


Shark		
Course	Course L – Windward/Leeward, Leeward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
L2	Start-1a-3-1a-Finish	
L3	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-Finish	
L4	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-Finish	
Laser 28 & PHRF		
Course L – Windward/Leeward, Leeward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
L2	Start-1b-3-1b-Finish	
L3	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-Finish	
L4	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-Finish	

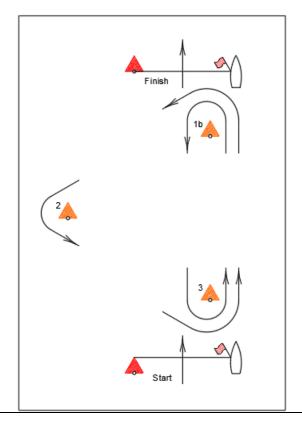


Shark		
Course W – Windward/Leeward, Windward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
W2	Start-1a-3-Finish	
W3	Start-1a-3-1a-3-Finish	
W4	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-3-Finish	
Laser 28 & PHRF		
Course W – Windward/Leeward, Windward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
W2	Start-1b-3-Finish	
W3	Start-1b-3-1b-3-Finish	
W4	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-3-Finish	

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NFS		
Course TL – Triangle, Leeward Finish		
Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
TL1	Start-1b-2-Finish	
TL2	Start-1b-2-3-1b-Finish	
TL3	Start-1b-2-3-1b-3-1b-Finish	
TL4	Start-1b-2-3-1b-3-1b-Finish	



NFS	
Course TW – Triangle, Windward Finish	
Signal	Mark Rounding Order
TW2	Start-1b-2-3-Finish
TW3	Start-1b-2-3-1b-3-Finish
TW4	Start-1b-2-3-1b-3-1b-3-Finish