

2019 BSC LEUKEMIA CUP REGATTA



BIRMINGHAM SAILING CLUB

September 14 - 15, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



1. RULES:

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Notice of Race (NOR) and these Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 In the event of a conflict between the NOR and the SI, the SI shall prevail.

2. ENTRY AND ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 Sailors intending to race may enter their sailboat by completing a registration form prior to the Competitor's Meeting and paying the entry fees.
- 2.2 One Design Classes with 5 or more entries shall be given a separate Start. Classes with less than 5 entries will be assigned to the Open fleet.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the Club House.
- 3.2 Race Committee notices or any changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted and signaled no later than one hour before the first race of the day, except any change in the schedule of races shall be posted either at the end of the Competitor's Meeting or by 6:30 PM on the day before it will take effect.

4. COMPETITOR'S MEETING:

- 4.1 A Competitor's Meeting will be held at 11:30 AM Saturday on the patio of the Club House.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole near the shore in front of the Club House.
- 5.2 When Code Flag "AP" flag is displayed with two sound signals, racing is postponed. The lowering of "AP" with one sound signal means the Warning Signal for the next race will be made no sooner than 30 minutes.
- 5.3 A sound signal made when the Race Committee returns to shore at the end of that day's racing means the beginning of a one hour time limit to file protests has begun.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACE ACTIVITIES:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

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| 0930 | Registration Opens |
| 1130 | Registration Closes |
| 1130 | Competitor's Meeting (BSC Patio) |
| 1300 | First Warning Signal Race 1 |
| | Subsequent races will follow Race 1 |

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

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| 0930 | Warning Signal |
| 1230 | Latest time to start a race |
| TBD | Trophy presentation after last race |

Five (5) races are scheduled over the two day period. One race will constitute a regatta.

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7. MARKS:

7.1 The Marks of the course are designated as follows:

A = the Windward Mark

O = the Offset Mark

Round this Mark only if displayed)

C = the Leeward Mark (*may be set to leeward of Starting Line)

X = the Finishing Mark (also the Starting Mark)

7.2 The Marks of the course above will be physically described at the Competitor's Meeting):

8. COURSES:

8.1 The Race Committee Signal Boat will display letters designating the marks of the course in the order to be rounded, including the Finishing Mark, but not the Starting Mark.

The last letter displayed designates the Finishing Mark.

Possible Variations: AOX is windward, offset, leeward (downwind finish)

ACAX is windward, leeward, windward, leeward (downwind finish)

ACACX is windward, leeward, windward, leeward,

windward (*upwind finish)

ACX is windward, leeward, windward (*upwind finish)

9. CHECKING IN PRIOR TO START:

9.1 Before the Warning Signal for the FIRST START of each day of racing, each boat is required to sail past the stern of the Committee Boat on starboard tack and verbally check in.

10. THE START AND ORDER OF FLEET STARTS:

10.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

10.2 Each fleet Start will have its own sequence. The One Design fleets' starts will be signaled with Class Insignia flags. The Open fleet will be signaled with a square, yellow flag.

10.3 The Order of Fleet Starts will be displayed on the Committee Boat Course Board and signaled by the Starting sequence flags. Order of Starts may change for each race.

10.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and an adjacent port end pin with orange pennant, "X" mark.

11. RECALLS:

11.1 Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail number(s) of boat(s) determined to be OCS at the start.

11.2 VHF Marine Radios are allowed and may be used to notify boats determined to be OCS.

11.3 A committee support boat may be used to pass along OCS notification but will not identify premature starters without concurrence from the PRO and as signaled from the Committee Boat.

11.4 When a General Recall has been signaled, the recalled fleet will be restarted before starting the next fleet.

12. CHANGING THE COURSE AFTER THE START:

12.1 Any change of course will be signaled with Code Flag "C", two sound signals and a green flag (starboard shift) or red flag (port shift) before the leading boat has begun the new leg,

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although the mark may not yet then be in the new position.

- 12.2 Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration.

13. THE FINISH:

- 13.1 The Finishing line will be between an orange flag on a committee boat and an adjacent mark.
13.2 The Finishing Line, except for a Change of Course or Shortened Course, will use the Starting Mark "X" as one end of the line.

14. TIME LIMIT:

- 14.1 The time limit will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish in each fleet.
14.2 Boats still racing 30 minutes after the first boat 'Finishes' in her fleet will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and receive a score equal to the number of boats that have Finished within the time limit Plus 2 Points not to exceed the number of boats Starting that race.
14.3 Expiration of the Time Limit shall be signaled with one long sound signal and display of Code Flag "L" if there are Finishers and with Code Flag "N" (Abandonment) if there are none.

15. PROTESTS:

- 15.1 PROTEST FLAGS are Not required, but a valid protest must be accompanied by a hail of "Protest" to the infringing boat at the time of the incident without unnecessary delay.
15.2 Protests shall be submitted in writing on forms available at the clubhouse and submitted to the Race Committee within one hour of the Committee Boat docking.
15.3 The jury will hear protests in the order in which they are received.
15.4 A Hearing Schedule will be posted within 20 minutes of the expiration of the filing deadline.

16. ALTERNATE PENALTY (One-Turn and 30% Penalties):

- 16.1 The Two-Turn (720) Penalty Rule is modified in accordance with RRS Appendix V1, One-Turn Penalty outside the 'Zone', as well as the 30% Penalty Taken After A Race of Section V2.
16.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration is also in effect'

17. SCORING:

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
17.2 The Open Fleet will have their Elapsed Time corrected in accordance with the US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick.
17.3 There are no throw-outs. This changes RRS A2
17.4 One race will constitute the regatta should additional races not be completed.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race.
19.2 The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.