



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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### 1. VENUE:

1.1 Off the Babylon Yacht Club in the Babylon & West Islip area of Babylon Cove.

### 2. SCHEDULE:

#### 2.1 Dates

Saturday Nov 11	Saturday Dec 09	<b>MONDAY Jan 01</b>	Saturday Feb 10	Saturday Mar 09
Saturday Nov 18	Saturday Dec 23	Saturday Jan 13	Saturday Feb 24	Saturday Mar 16
<b>FRIDAY Nov 24</b>		Saturday Jan 27		Saturday Mar 31

2.1(a) Nov 11 Set-up day.

#### 2.2 First Gun

2.2(a) Sat Nov 18 - Sat Dec 23 / Sat Mar 09 – Sat Mar 31 - First Gun 1100.

2.2(b) Mon Jan 01 – Sat Feb 24 - First Gun Noon.

2.3 Alternate/Make up dates will be at the discretion of the Frostbiting Chairs.

2.4 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Notice Board on the Junior YC porch.

### 3. RULES:

3.1 The event will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

### 4. COMMUNICATION & RESPONSIBILITY:

4.1 **Communication** – After 1800 the day before, text messaging will be the primary means of communication with Skippers only. Skippers will be responsible to register for texts and to disseminate information to their crews.

4.2 **Responsibility** - As a condition of participating in winter racing at the Babylon Yacht Club, (BYC), each participant is required to sign a Waiver and Release of Liability form provided by the Frostbiting Committee. By participating in such racing, participants thereby confirm and agree to the terms of such Waiver and Release of Liability.

### 5. WEATHER CONSIDERATION:

5.1 Decision as to whether racing may take place will be made no later than 2000 the day before.

5.2 While the final decision whether racing should be held will rest with the Frostbiting Chair, the responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue is hers alone. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

### 6. ELIGIBILITY:

6.1 The Series will be sailed in Flying Scots.

6.1(a) Spinnakers will not be permitted.

6.2 The Series is open to BYC members and guests whom have been invited to participate by the Frostbiting Committee.

### 7. ENTRIES:

7.1 Competitors must check-in prior to the day's racing with the designated FB committee member upon arrival.

7.2 **Mandatory Competitor/Safety Meeting for participants 45 minutes before First Gun near the JYC porch.**

#### 7.3 Fee

7.3(a) \$100.00 per Skipper.

7.3(b) \$80.00 per Crewmember.

7.3(c) Single one day fee of \$10.00 will be limited to twice towards the season fee, after which the remainder of the season fee must be paid.

7.3(d) It will be the responsibility of the Skipper to collect crew & single day crew fees and submit to the Frostbite Treasurer

#### 7.4 Boat Usage

7.4(a) BYC Club-owned boats

7.4(a.1) First come first served basis – check w/Frostbiting Chair for availability.

7.4(a.1.1) BYC Club-owned boats must have a BYC member aboard.

7.4(a.2) Competitors may sail the same club-owned boat during successive weekends, if available race day.

7.5 Crews are requested to register for a race date to assist in the setting up & breaking down of frostbiting gear.

7.5(a) Crews must register and/or confirm by 2100 the day before.



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**8. SAFETY:**

- 8.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard approved Type III Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant, (i.e. not inflatable) while afloat.
- 8.2 **INFLATABLE PFD's and FLOAT COATS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**
- 8.3 Boats must remain in the basin vicinity until chase boat(s) are launched **AND** operational.
- 8.4 At the conclusion of racing all boats are to remain near the basin vicinity until hauled.
- 8.5 While not a requirement - it is highly recommended competitors sail in a drysuit.
- 8.6 Failure to comply with 8.1-8.4 may lead to an immediate disqualification of the boat from the day's racing.

**9. ON the WATER SAFETY:**

- 9.1 Capsize – Race abandoned.
  - 9.1(a) Return to start/finish area to await further instructions
  - 9.1(b) Racing may be abandoned at the discretion of the Race Committee and/or Chair.
- 9.2 Man overboard – nearby boats assist if possible.

**10. START SEQUENCE:**

- 10.1 Three minute start sequence - Appendix U.
- 10.2 A boat starting 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS w/out a hearing.

**11. START/FINISH AREA:**

- 11.1 Boats must remain near the start/finish area between races.
- 11.2 Changes or announcements may be made verbally.
- 11.3 Start/Finish line between mark and RC boat or two marks with RC boat positioned outside the marks.
- 11.4 Sailing thru the start/finish line is permitted.

**12. TIME LIMIT:**

- 12.1 A 30 minute time limit shall apply for each race.
- 12.2 Any boat not finishing within 10 minutes of the finish time of the first boat will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), number of boats finishing within the time limit plus 1.
- 12.3 The Race Committee may award boats their position should conditions become impractical to await their finish.

**13. SCORING:**

- 13.1 The 'Low Point' Scoring System, RRS Appendix A2, will apply.
  - 13.1(a) Individual days will be scored using low point scoring with one throw out per 5 races sail.
  - 13.1(b) Four races must be sailed to be counted as a race day.
- 13.2 A Skipper's season score is the sum of their best 70% of the total number of races sailed by the fleet.
  - 13.2(a) Skippers must sail a minimum 60% of the races sailed by the fleet to be eligible for season's scoring.

**14. COURSE:**

- 14.1 Courses will be triangle, windward/leeward, a "No-gybe" course or a combination thereof.
- 14.2 Course will be designated verbally or on placards.
- 14.3 If a "2" is designated with course – sail course twice around.
- 14.4 Mark-room is designated at three boat lengths.
- 14.5 Marks will be hippity hops.
  - 14.5(a) Courses A, B & C - port roundings.
  - 14.5(b) Course D - marks 1 & 4 Port rounding, marks 2 & 3 Starboard rounding.

**15. PROTEST & PENALTY TURNS:**

- 15.1 On the water penalty turn will be one 360° turn.
- 15.2 If intending to protest, hail, "Protest" and the yacht's sail number or skipper.
  - 15.2(a) Displaying of protest flag is not required.
- 15.3 Inform RC after completion of the race.
- 15.4 Protests must be filed w/in 15 minutes of the safety boat(s) being hauled & secured.

**16. PRIZES:**

- 16.1 Scores will be announced at the conclusion of day's racing and sent electronically.



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**17. BOAT STORAGE:**

- 17.1 BYC Club & member owned Flying Scots will be permitted to stay in the BYC boatyard for the Series.
  - 17.1(a) Access to boats will be restricted to race days.
- 17.2 All boats must be properly secured on a trailer.
- 17.3 The BYC assumes no responsibility for loss or damages.

**18. CREW RACE:**

- 18.1 A crew race may be sailed at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 18.2 A minimum of 4 races must be sailed for a crew race to occur.
- 18.3 Participation is not mandatory.
- 18.4 Crew races will be scored independently.

**19 MISC:**

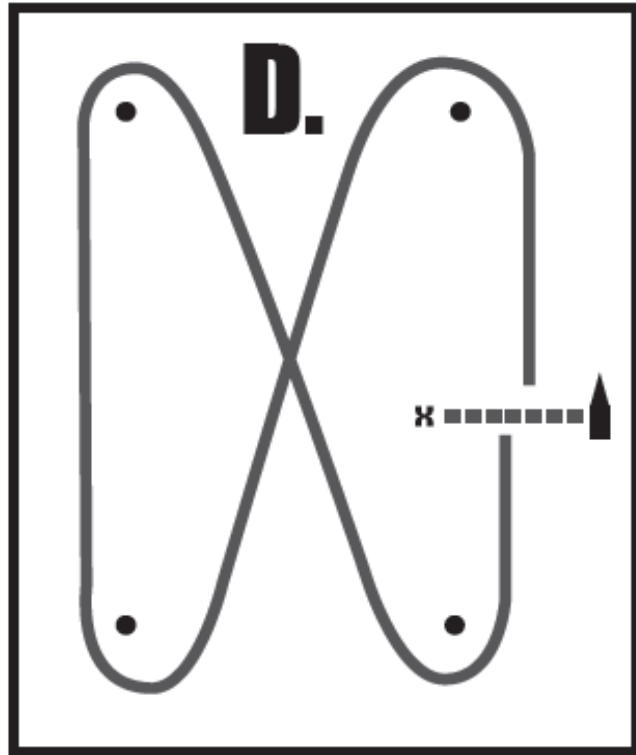
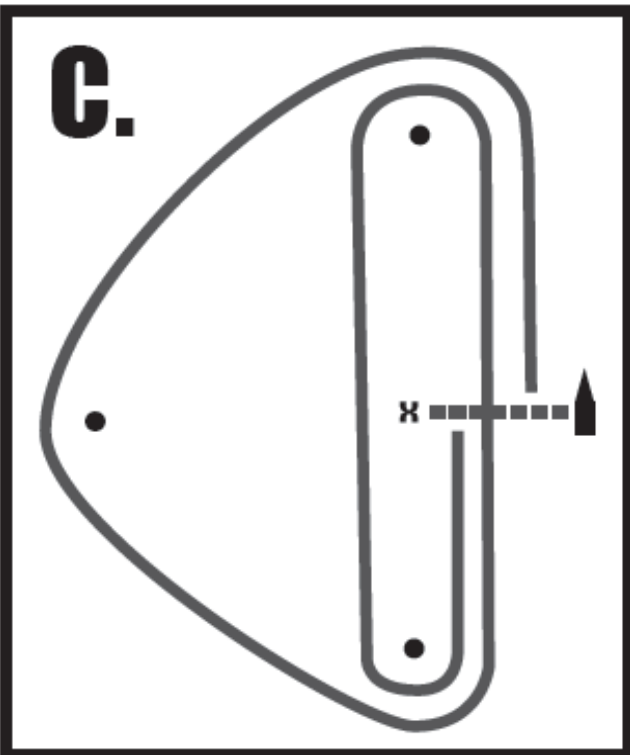
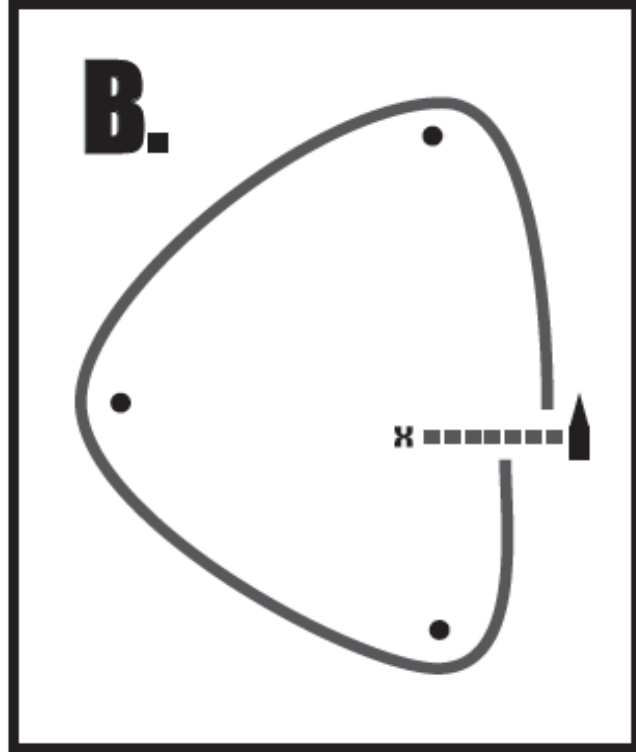
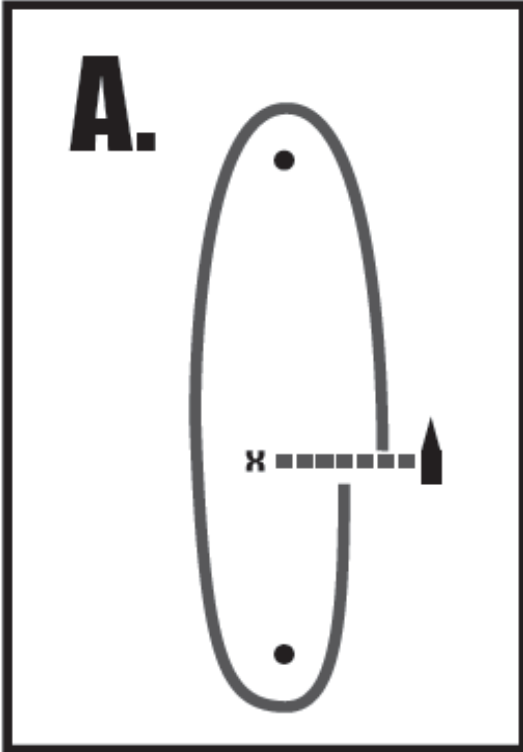
- 19.1 The BYC is closed during the off-season, rustic facilities will be available.
- 19.2 This is a "Pack-in/Pack-out" event; make arrangements to take anything you bring.
- 19.3 Frostbiting is a team effort - at the end of the day crews from hauled boat are requested to assist as needed.

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