

YACHTING CLUB CERN

MONTHLY REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

DISCLAIMER

Competitors sail at their own risk. Injuries to competitors and damage to boats can and often do happen. The Yachting Club Cern and all parties involved in the organisation of the races accept no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage or injury which may occur to any person or property, whether ashore or afloat, as a consequence of participation in the race/s. The Sailing Instructions in no way limit or reduce the complete and unlimited responsibilities of a competitor. **Attention is drawn to ISAF Racing Rule 4.**

1 RULES


1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the current *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing*, the Notice of Race and the present Sailing Instructions.


1.2 It is recalled that the Swiss navigation law on Lake Geneva applies throughout the race(s), in particular with respect to swimmers and non-racing. In case of conflict with the present instructions, the Swiss law will prevail.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS - CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Notices to competitors or changes to the sailing instructions are posted on the YCC regatta box, next to the buvette Moby-Dick. No changes shall be made after briefing.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

















3.1 When flag Y  is displayed, competitors must wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy. Windsurfers must wear it at all times, even if flag Y is not displayed.


3.2 Flag N  with three gunshots means that the current race is abandoned. Other races will follow.

3.3 Flag N over flag A   with three gunshots means that all scheduled races are abandoned or finished.


4 SCHEDULE OF RACES – STARTING PROCEDURES

4.1 The regatta is composed of several races, to be raced on the same day.

Class	Scheduled Time of First Race	Signals	Flags & Sounds	Flags Being Displayed at Given Time		
				Without rule 30.1	With rule 30.1	
Dinghies, Catamarans Windsurfs	-5	14:10	Warning	Flag F up, one shot		
	-4	14:11	Preparatory	Flag P or I up, one sound	 and 	 and 
	-1	14:14	One-minute	Flag P or I removed, one sound		
	0	14:15	Start	Flag F removed, one shot		
Keel-boats	-5	14:20	Warning	Flag Q up, one shot		
	-4	14:21	Preparatory	Flag P or I up, one sound	 and 	 and 
	-1	14:24	One-minute	Flag P or I removed, one sound		
	0	14:25	Start	Flag Q removed, one shot		

4.2 *Cancellation of Starting Procedure.* The starting procedure is aborted if the AP flag  is hoisted during the procedure, accompanied by two gunshots. A new starting procedure will begin one minute after the AP flag is removed.


4.3 *Second race and following ones.* The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable

4.4 *Delay.* In case of delay of a race, the postponement signal - AP flag  - will be displayed, with two audible signals. The next warning signal will be given one minute after the AP flag is removed, accompanied by a sound

5 RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas.


6 THE COURSES

6.1 The start of the normal course will be taken towards Lausanne. The flag R  will be displayed if the Race Committee decides to use the reverse course, starting towards Geneva. Optionally, an arrow will be displayed, pointing in the direction into which boats shall start.

6.2 The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

6.3 Each lap is completed by passing between the start and finishing marks. This applies when sailing from the last buoy of the previous lap to the first buoy of the next lap.

7 MARKS

7.1 Any mark can be replaced by a boat or a floating canister displaying the flag M .

7.2 The starting and finishing marks will be orange buoys.

7.3 Marks 1, 2, 3 will be cylinder orange buoys carrying the YCC name and their corresponding number.

8 THE START


8.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. In any case, only visual signals determine the starting sequence, should confusion arise.


8.2 The starting line will be between the starting and finishing marks, as defined in point 7.2 above.

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

8.4 A boat starting later than nine (9) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1.


9 RECALLS

9.1 *General Recall:* The 'First Substitute' flag  will be hoisted with two gunshots. Started boats must regain the pre-start area. The race for the specific class is cancelled and will be restarted one minute after the 'First Substitute' is removed.

9.2 *Individual Recall:* Flag X  will be hoisted with one gunshot. Flag X will be flown until all premature starters return and start properly, or for a minimum of three minutes, whichever earlier. The Race Committee will attempt to hail premature starters. However, this does not relieve a skipper's obligation to start properly.

10 THE FINISH / SHORTENING THE COURSE

10.1 The finishing line will be between the starting and finishing marks as defined in point 7.2 above.

10.2 When the course is shortened, the race committee will display the flag S  either on the last buoy of the given lap or at the regatta mast. Boats shall finish by completing the lap they are sailing.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For all classes rule 44.2 is changed so that the 720° turn is replaced by a 360° turn.

12 TIME LIMITS

12.1 Time limits and target times for each race are as follows:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>
Dinghies, etc.	1 ½ hours elapsed	30 minutes after start
Keelboats	1 ½ hours elapsed	30 minutes after start

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned.

12.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes, in real time, after the first boat of the same class finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. YCC Classes are Dinghies (including Catamarans and Windsurf boards) and Keel-boats. This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day.

14.2 Notices will be posted or given verbally after the protest is received to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

15 SCORING

15.1 The Portsmouth Yardstick system is used to compensate times. The ratings that YCC currently applies are available with the Race Committee and on the YCC web site.

15.2 The scoring system (Reversed Bonus Point) is as follows:

<i>Compensated Finishing Place</i>	<i>Points</i>
First	13
Second	11.7
Third	10
Fourth	8
Fifth	5.7
Sixth	3
Seventh	1
Eighth and following	0

15.3 Each boat's score will be the total of her race scores. The boat with the highest score wins and others are ranked accordingly. If there is a score tie between two or more boats, each boat's race scores are listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point where there is a difference, the tie will be broken in favour of the boat(s) with the best score(s). If a tie still remains between two or more boats, they are ranked in order of their scores in the last race.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.


16.2 Windsurfers shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy at all times during the races, regardless of the wind strength. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

YCC – Monthly Regatta Course – Each race is 2 LAPS - Marks left on PORT

Normal direction of start is **north**, towards Lausanne, as follows:

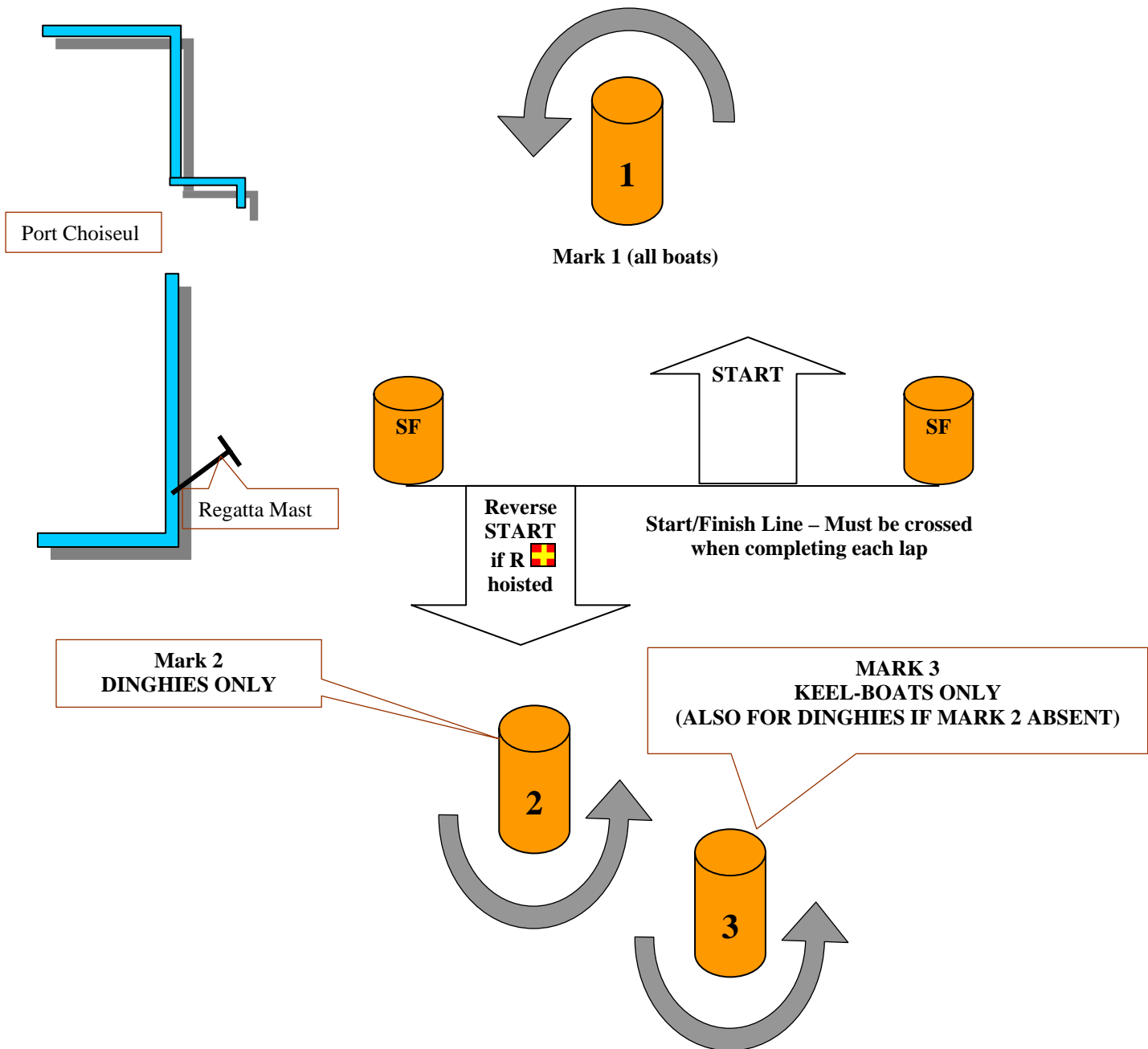
D/CAT/W: Start → 1 → 2 → Start → 1 → 2 → Finish

KEELBOATS / QUILLARDS: Start → 1 → 3 → Start → 1 → 3 → Finish

If flag **R**  is displayed on regatta mast, start **south** towards Geneva, as follows:

D/CAT/W: Start → 2 → 1 → Start → 2 → 1 → Finish

KEELBOATS / QUILLARDS: Start → 3 → 1 → Start → 3 → 1 → Finish



Refer to Racing Instructions for complete information!