

2018 Wednesday Night Racing – Committee Boat Duties

Bring your own VHF Radio and watch to communicate to the fleet. The course can use government marks or set marks (orange balls).

1st – Make arrangements with **Rodger Voss**, the 2018 Wednesday Night Coordinator (WNC), to pick up the briefcase at Yankee **prior to noon on Wednesday the week of your scheduled duty**. The briefcase has everything you need **including a radio – use VHF Channel 72**. The briefcase contents include RRS; Horn; Timer; Sailing Instructions; Score Sheets; Pencils; and Pens. All flags are attached to short poles in the grey bag. A wind-stick is also in the bag to help set the course.

RETURN THE BRIEFCASE AND FLAGS TO RODGER VOSS AT YANKEE DIRECTLY AFTER THE RACE

Race Area

The race area is in the main body of the lake bounded by Basin Bay to the north and Diamond Island to the south. The assigned Race Committee will set a course with concurrence of Rodger Voss, 2018 WNC. The race will be approximately 1-2 hours long, depending on available daylight.

Courses

Courses will be set by the RC of the evening with the concurrence of the WNC. In the case of high winds orange tetrahedrons may be used as set marks if government marks are not used.

If any of the following government marks are used they will be rounded as shown in **Appendix A**.

Cotton Point and all associated pin buoys (T2): Round to port

Canoe Island - North (U3): Round to port

Canoe Island - South (U4): Round to port after having rounded all of the Canoe Islands

Diamond Island (W): Round to port. The mark and mooring ball over the Wreck "Forward" ~ 250 yards to the north are not considered marks of the course and can be left to either side.

Do not use the LGC harbor markers as marks of the course. Keep the congestion of the fleet away from the entrance to the harbor for safety, and off shore for better wind when rounding the mark. (Advice: it is better to set a longer course and shorten it if necessary).





2nd – The Committee Boat will be **on station at 6:00 pm, flying a RED flag**, in the general area between the tip of Long Island and off the west shore of the Yankee Boating Center. The course and start line will be set by the Committee Boat with the concurrence with Rodger Voss, WNC. Adjustments will be made to the course or start line if they are deemed unsuitable or unsafe for the conditions at the time. Set a starting line using an orange buoy as the **left (pin) end of the line**, and securely anchor the boat to the right of the pin **perpendicular to the wind** and directly downwind from where the first mark is positioned. Be sure to set a **long starting line**, enough to accommodate all boats for the start. (One boat-length for each boat racing). Communicate the location and course using a **VHF radio, Channel 72**, and as well by announcing it as each boat checks in. The course can also be communicated via the white board in **BOLD LARGE Letters**.

On the advice of the WNC, Code Flag I may be used instead of Code Flag P. See starting sequence below.

Roster of Competitors

3rd - All competitors are to sail by the stern of the Committee Boat to check in. The committee will **log the name of the helmsman, boat name, and sail number of the boat** on the Score Sheet.






For Reference

	Individual recall - Accompanied by one additional sound signal. Displayed until the earliest of the following: all boats over the line have returned correctly, four minutes after the start or until one minute before the next start. See RRS Rule 29.1.	X flag
	General recall - Accompanied by two additional sound signals, and signaled when there are unidentified boats over the line or subject to one of the starting penalties, or there has been an error in the starting procedure. The new warning signal will be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed. See RRS Rule 29.2.	First Substitute pennant
	Round-the-Ends RRS Rule 30.1 is in effect — A boat over the line during the last minute before the start must sail to the pre-start side of the line around either end before starting.	I flag
	Shortened Course — Accompanied by two sound signals. The course has been shortened, finish at the next mark. See RRS Rule 32.	S flag


Start

4th -The **Start Signal** for the race is **6:30 pm, one start** for everyone (Warning Signal at 6:25 pm, or when the **GREEN Flag** goes up). Race Committee will be on station at 6:00 pm, flying a **RED flag**, in the area between the tips of Long Island and off the west shore of the Yankee Boating Center, location depending on wind direction. All competitors are to sail by the stern of the Committee Boat to check in. The Race Committee has a radio to broadcast their location and communicate the course and starting sequence using **VHF Channel 72**.

Starting Sequence

Title	Visual Signal	Displayed Flags	Sound Signal	Time to Start
Committee Boat on Station	RED Flag Raised		None	30 minutes (6:00pm)
	RED Flag Lowered		None	6 minutes (6:24pm)
Warning Signal	GREEN Flag Raised, stays up until Start		One	5 minutes (6:25pm)
Preparatory Signal	Code Flag P (blue with white square) OR Code Flag I (Yellow with Black circle) Both Green and Prep Flag are Up	 OR 	One	4 minutes (6:26pm)
One Minute	Preparatory Code flag P OR I Lowered (Green Flag stays UP)		One Long	1 minute (6:29pm)
Start	GREEN Flag Lowered		One	0 (6:30pm)

Recalls – RULE 29

 For individual boats that start early, the Race Committee is required to **sound one horn blast** and **fly Code flag X** (white with a blue cross). The Race Committee will attempt to notify each premature starter. Failure to hear notification does not relieve a boat of her obligation to start properly.



General recalls: The Race Committee is required to **sound two horn blasts** and fly the First Substitute pennant (blue triangle with yellow interior). In the event of a general recall Round-the-Ends RRS Rule 30.1 will be in effect.

Round the Ends – RRS Rule 30.1



Round-the-Ends RRS Rule 30.1 is in effect at the discretion of the WNC **or after a General Recall.**

Finish



Finish line will be between the Committee Boat flying a **BLUE flag** and an orange buoy.

Shorten Course



RC may shorten the course with **two horn blasts** and fly **Code flag S** (white with blue square), and make every attempt to announce it to the fleet. See RRS Rule 32.

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Change of Course RRS Rule 33

A change of course is warranted if a mark can be fetched in single long tack. In this eventuality races degenerate to parades since there is little opportunity to pass leading boats. Marks should be set and moved if the wind direction changes substantially from the initial set. A Change of Course can be signaled using the C flag and repeated sound signals as boats round a mark. Use either the RED or GREEN flags to denote where the new mark is placed — Red if to port of original mark or Green if to starboard. Announce the new course direction and mark via radio multiple times on the radio. Please review RRS 33.

Finish

5th – Finish Line will be between the Committee Boat flying a **BLUE flag** and an orange buoy. . Record the elapsed time from the start of the race for each finishing boat on the score sheet.

After the Race

6th – **Return the briefcase and result sheet to Rodger Voss at Yankee Marina after the race.**

Please forward a scanned copy of the results to rodgervoss@yahoo.com by 9 am the following morning if you can't return the briefcase on Wednesday evening, and make arrangements with Rodger Voss to return the briefcase.

Protests

7th in the event of boats lodging a protest please bring this to the attention of **Rodger Voss** while returning the briefcase. If as RC you witnessed the protest please provide your observations.

Contact Info

Rodger Voss — 518-788-0697 or rodgervoss@yahoo.com

THANK YOU!

Advice: Get out early and observe wind and wave conditions. Have at least 250 ft of anchor rode and a suitably sized anchor for your boat. It is your responsibility to anchor your boat safely and not drag during the start or finish.

APPENDIX A

Diamond Island Mark (W)

DANGER: DO NOT ENTER



Marks are not part of the course and can be passed to either side.

Canoe Island Marks (U3 and U4)



Cotton Point Mark (T2)

Round all associated spars



For Additional Reference



Race Committee



On Station Flag
Blue



Line Flag
Orange



Course Change to Port
Red



Rule 30.3 in effect
Black



Umpire Signal, Windsurfing Start
Green



Umpire Signal
Yellow



Umpire Signal
Green & White Checker



Change Course, Longer Leg
White



Change Course, Shorten Leg
White



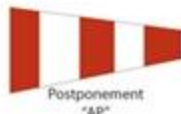
Course Change to Starboard
Green Pennant



General Recall
1st Repeater



Another Race
2nd Repeater



Postponement
"AP"



No More Racing
A



Change of Course
C



On Shore Delay
D



Match Racing, Attention
M



Harbor Home
H



Round the Ends
I



Come within Hail
L



Mark Missing
M



Abandon Race
N



Rule 42 Off
O



Preparatory
P



Rule 42 On
R



Shorten Course
S



Umpire
U



Individual Recall
X



Life Jackets
Y



Rule 30.2 in effect
Z



Class Flag
#1



Class Flag
#2



Class Flag
#3