

2023 Maytham Regatta Sailing Instructions

General Information

Entry Fee

- Flat Rate of **\$50 payable to Dunnville Boat Club**. Please provide a cheque, or cash. This covers our dockage at the DBC.
- Fees must be paid at Skippers Meeting.
- Any yacht failing to pay the fee at the Skipper's meeting will not be scored and **may be refused dockage in Dunnville.**

Dunnville Boat Club Rules

- Campers and tents are **NOT PERMITTED** on the club property.

Skippers' Meeting

- Saturday: 8:30 am Front Porch Port Dover Yacht Club
- No Skippers' meeting on Sunday
- Sign In for JAM or SPIN
- Watch synchronization

Radio Contact

- All yachts are required to monitor VHF channel 72 from 9:30 am until finishing the race.
- Radio contact may be required to notify yachts of a shortened course, alternative finish line location, or of the expiration of a time limit.
- Dunnville Boat Club (DBC) monitors channel 06. You may wish to contact them as you approach the DBC for dockage / rafting assignments.

Time Limit

- The course is approximately 30 Nm.
- If no yacht in a fleet (spinnaker or jib and main) has finished the race by 5:30 pm, the race shall be canceled for that fleet. (Fastest boat must average 4 knots)
- If one or more yachts in a fleet finishes by 5:30 pm, then the rest of that fleet shall have until 6:30 pm to finish the race.
- In any case, any yacht not finished by 6:30 shall be scored DNF.
- It is the intention to have all yachts off the Lake by 6:30 pm each day. Please be mindful of your distance to the finish line, and the time remaining to the expiration of the time limit. If you can't make it to the finish line within the time limit, please withdraw and motor to the finish so that you are off the lake by 6:30 pm.
- **If the race is shortened by finishing at a mark of the course, then all time limits shall be shortened by 1 hour. i.e. if no yacht finished by 4:30 pm the race shall be canceled.**

Shortened Course

- The race may be shortened at any mark of the course. Therefore, it is important for all yachts to monitor VHF channel 72, as it may be necessary to sail in close proximity to each mark.
- See note on time limits.

Postponement of Start

- In the event that there is insufficient wind to start a race, the fleet will be instructed by radio (VHF channel 72) to motor down the course. Once sufficient wind is available to start the race, the fleet will stop, raise sails, and the race shall be started.

APPROXIMATE MARKER LOCATIONS	
Coordinates provided are approximate only, and any errors in these coordinates shall not be grounds for protest or redress. Skippers are responsible to ensure that these coordinates are correct, and for the navigation of their yachts.	
ED2 – Port Dover	42 deg 45.35' N 080 deg 11.65' W
Nanticoke Shoal Marker	42 deg 43.709' N 080 deg 03.693' W
Tecumseh Reef Marker	42 deg 47.660 N 079 deg 43.498' W
Between Piers at Maitland (Finish)	42 deg 51.200' N 079 deg 34.774' W

Rabbit Start

Rabbit will be the vessel 'Redhead'

The Rabbit Start is used to start a race to windward in the absence of a committee boat. At a prescribed time a boat passes an agreed-upon mark and heads off on Port tack. Other boats must pass behind the 'rabbit' on starboard tack to start, as described in more detail below.

Sequence:

The rabbit shall start the sequence by being in position near the starting mark and shall make ONE LONG sound signal.

Approximately 5 minutes before starting, the rabbit will sound FIVE SHORT signals to notify sailors to be prepared to begin the start sequence.

Approximately 3-4 minutes before starting, the rabbit shall be in position adjacent to position A. She shall sound FOUR SHORT signals and run directly downwind approximately one minute to Position B.

At Position B the rabbit shall harden up to a close hauled starboard tack course until she slightly over spends the starting mark at Position C. NO SIGNAL AT THIS TIME.

At Position C, the rabbit shall sound ONE LONG signal before tacking onto a close hauled port tack, and set a course to leave the starting mark on her PORT side at Position D. This signals approximately one minute until the start.

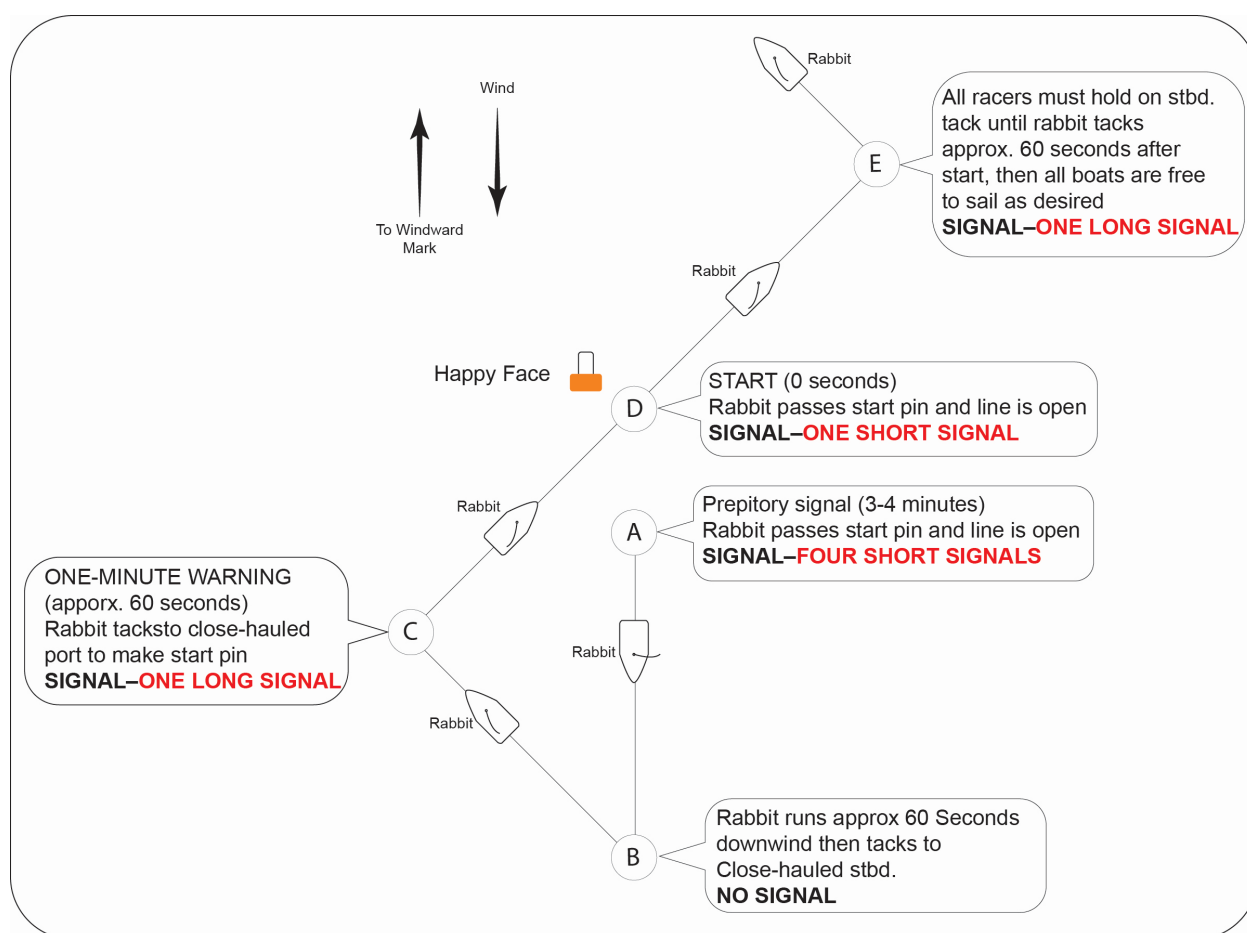
At Position D the rabbit shall sound ONE SHORT signal as she passes the mark and shall continue sailing close hauled on the wind while the fleet starts by crossing under her stern on starboard tack.

The rabbit will remain on port tack until all the boats have crossed behind her or 60 seconds have elapsed, whichever is first. The rabbit will then tack onto starboard and sound ONE LONG signal, signaling the course is open.

After she has started, a yacht must remain on starboard tack UNTIL THE RABBIT HAS TACKED TO STARBOARD. Once the rabbit has tacked onto starboard all boats (including the rabbit) are free to tack subject to the Racing Rules of Sailing.

All boats must stay clear of the rabbit until the rabbit has tacked onto starboard at Position E. A yacht that collides with the rabbit is automatically disqualified.

Rabbit Starts



SATURDAY

Start

- Location: PDYC Race Course Centre Ball / “Happy Face”
- “Home Again” (a power boat) is expected to be the starting Committee Boat
- 9:30 AM Start motoring down the course in the event of no wind.
- 9:55 AM First Warning Signal
- 10:00 AM JAM Start and SPIN Start

Course

- The committee boat will display the letter of the PDYC race marker that will be the first mark of the course. This mark shall be taken to port, unless the committee boat flies a green flag in which case it shall be taken to starboard.
- The red government mark (PDYC race marker “D” or ED2) shall be taken to port.
- The Nanticoke Shoal marker shall be taken to port
- The Tecumseh Reef marker shall be taken to port
- Skippers are reminded that a series of reefs and shoals exist along the shoreline between Port Dover and Port Maitland. Skippers will be required to refer to current charts and navigate to ensure safe passage.

Finish

- Jacqui Parker is expected to be the finish committee, located on the pier in Port Maitland to record finish times between the piers. Approximately 200 meters from the end of the pier, listen for the horn.

Rendezvous

- Dunnville Boat Club (DBC). Approximately 3 miles up the Grand River. Just below the dam on the right hand (northeast) side.
- Dunnville Boat Club (DBC) monitors channel 06.
- Rum Punch Party as soon as the fleet arrives!
- BBQ's available for your use at DBC
- Club Phone Number (905) 774-7039
- Club Contact: Dave Hancock (905) 774-7757
- Club Contact: Craig Archibald (905) 774-0464

SUNDAY

Start

- Location: Approximately 1.5 miles south / southwest of the piers in Port Maitland
- 9:30 AM Start motoring down the course if no wind
- Rabbit Start
- 9:55 AM First Warning Signal
- 10:00 AM JAM Start and SPIN Start

Course

- The Tecumseh Reef marker shall be taken to starboard
- The Nanticoke Shoal marker shall be taken to starboard
- ED2 – Port Dover shall be taken to starboard

Finish

- The race shall finish at the PDYC Race Course Centre Ball “Happy Face.”
- If the committee boat “Home Again” is on station, then the finish line shall be between the committee boat and the adjacent marker.
- If the committee boat is **not** on station, then a yacht shall finish when any part of her hull comes within one boat length of the PDYC Race Course Centre Ball / “Happy Face”
- If the committee boat is **not** on station, then **Skippers are required to record their own finish times, and are requested to record the time of the next yacht finish. Please use the form provided and report these times to the yacht FLYER ASAP upon finishing.**

Rendezvous

- There is no rendezvous planned for Sunday evening.

Awards

- Members in good standing of the PDYC Racing Division are eligible to receive awards for this regatta.
- Others are encouraged to participate, but are not eligible for awards.
- Awards for this regatta will be presented at the annual PDYC Racing Division “Sailors’ Night” to be held in October.

Please record your finish time and as many boats before you and after you as possible.

Date		
Race		
Boat Name / Sail #	Finish Time	Elapsed Time

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