

Sailing Instructions
St James Town Sailing Club Open Albacore Regatta
September 14, 2024

1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 The Regatta is open to all boats of the Albacore class.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024 and the Albacore Class Association rules.
2.2 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration will apply.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast of the race committee boat at the JTown dock.
3.2 When the AP flag  is flown ashore, the following race will start no less than 30 minutes after the flag is lowered for races in the Outer Harbour, and no less than 45 minutes for races on the lake.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The starting sequence for the first race will commence at 10:45am.
4.2 No starting sequence will be initiated after 4:00 pm. (3:30pm if on the Lake).

5. RACING AREA

- 5.1 All races will take place in Toronto Outer Harbour or Lake Ontario, at the discretion of the Race Officer.

6. MARKS

- 6.1 Orange tetrahedron marks or numbered harbour marks shall be used.
6.2 A Red tetrahedron mark shall be used when a mark is relocated per sections 11.3 and 11.4.
6.3 All marks will be taken to port with the exception of the green finish ball which will be taken to starboard.

7. THE START

- 7.1 Races will be started according to RRS Rule 26.
7.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee (RC) boat, and a mark to port of the RC boat (red ball).
7.3 From the fall of the Preparatory flag until the start, the Start/Finish line will be 'closed'. After the successful commencement of a race the Start/Finish line will be 'open' and may be sailed through during subsequent legs of that race.
7.4 No boat may enter the race course 5 minutes after the start.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1  Course "W" Windward-offset-Leeward (5 Legs). Windward-Offset-Leeward-Windward-Offset-Leeward-Short Windward.
8.2  Course "T" – Triangle: (7 Legs) Windward-Reach-Reach-Windward-Reach-Reach-Short Windward.
8.3  Course "O" - Modified Olympic: (6 Legs) Windward-Reach-Reach-Windward-Downwind-Short Windward.

9. THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the RC boat and a mark to starboard of the RC boat (green ball).
9.2 The Race Officer (RO) may, at his discretion, finish trailing boats 'On The Course' in the position the RO judges them to be in order to expedite the finishing of a given race. This modifies RRS Rule 35.

10. TIME LIMITS

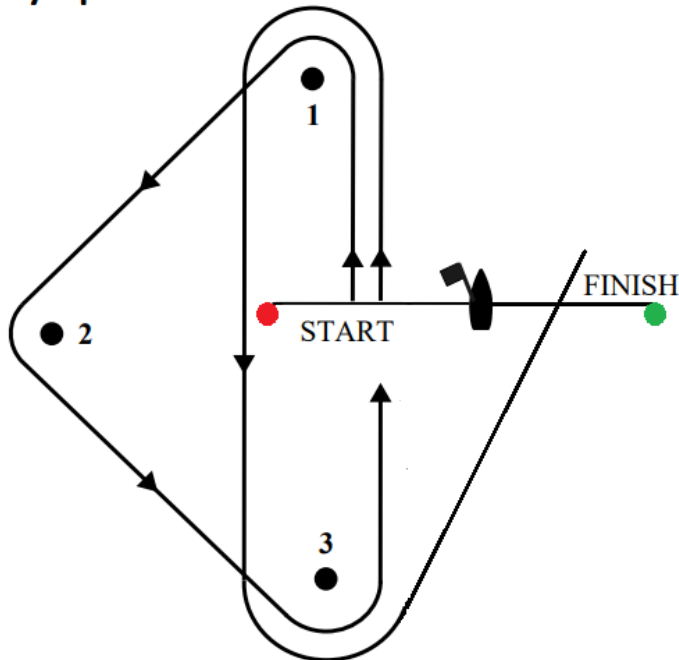
- 10.1 If no boat has passed the 1st windward mark within 30 minutes of the start, the race shall be abandoned.
10.2 All boats not finishing within 20 minutes of the lead boat will be scored DNF or per 9.2 above. This modifies RRS Rule 35.

11. COURSE CHANGES

- 11.1 The Race Committee may change or shorten the course at its discretion.
11.2 The race committee may, without signal, move a mark to change the direction up to 10 degrees or the length up to 10% of the previous length, provided that no boat is sailing to the mark.
11.3 A course change may also be signaled from a boat stationed at one of the marks, making short sound signals and displaying a code flag "C" .

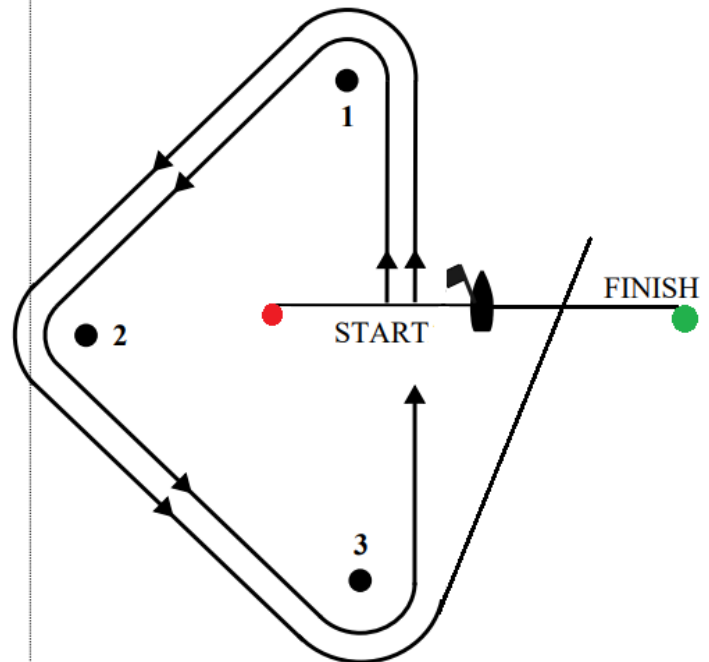
- 11.4 A green flag  will indicate that the next mark has been moved to starboard, and a red flag  will indicate that the next mark has been moved to port.
- 11.5 The Race Committee can shorten the course at any mark by making two sound signals. In such event, the race will be finished at the mark ending the leg of the course sailed by the lead boat at the time of the signal; an "S" flag  will be displayed at one end of the finish line.
- 12. SCORING**
- 12.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series. A maximum of five (5) races will be run.
- 12.2 The low point scoring system of Appendix A will apply. If four or more races are sailed, each boat's series score shall, subject to rule 90.3(b), be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score; this modifies RRS Appendix A2.
- 13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
- 13.1 The race committee shall be notified of the intention to protest at the completion of each race. Protest forms are available on land from the Race Committee.
- 13.2 Protest forms and requests for redress must be filed within 30 minutes of the Race Committee's return to the dock.
- 14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 14.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk.
- 15. SAFETY**
- 15.1 Every competing boat must carry the required safety equipment and an approved life jacket or P.F.D for each sailor. Life jackets must be worn if code flag 'Y'  is flown from the mast of the RC boat.
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

Olympic Course



(Triangle is completed first)

Triangle/Windward-Leeward Course



Note "Windward Leeward" course will be the same as the Triangle course with mark "2" removed

An offset mark '1A' consisting of a red or yellow ball will be used during a Windward-Leeward race.