



Portage Yacht Club, Pinckney, MI
2023 Slalom Championship
 Sunday 11-Jun-2023
Sailing Instructions



Portage Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. This event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. Racing rule 42 PROPULSION is deleted for this event.
- 1.3. Rule 41 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE is changed to allow additional outside assistance.
- 1.4. Rule 28 SAILING THE COURSE is changed to add: "If the Race Committee observes that a boat has violated this rule and not corrected her error before she finishes, she will be scored as losing the heat and receive a time penalty of 30 seconds without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1 and A5"
- 1.5. Rule 31 TOUCHING A MARK is deleted.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board inside Portage Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. A change to the sailing instructions must be posted no later than 60 minutes prior to the first warning signal of the day.
- 3.2. The Sailing Instructions may be changed afloat by the Race Committee flying Code Flag "L" with one sound signal.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RC Signal Boat at its mooring.
- 4.2. When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signal "AP".

5. SCHEDULE

5.1. The schedule is shown below:

Time	Event
0900 -1000	Registration
1000	Competitors Meeting
1030	Warning Signal for the first race. Additional races to follow.
1500	No Warning Signal after this time

6. COURSES AND MARKS

- 6.1. The Yellow Course and the Orange Course are described in Attachment A.
- 6.2. The Race Committee Signal Boat shall hail each boat whether they are assigned to the Yellow Course or the Red Course.

- 6.3. The boat assigned to the Yellow Course must cross the starting line closer to the yellow starting mark than the boat assigned to the Orange Course. The boat assigned to the Orange Course must cross the starting line closer to the Orange starting mark than the boat assigned to the Yellow Course.
- 6.4. .Except at the start and finish, orange marks are rounded on the outside and yellow marks are rounded on the inside.
- 6.5. Marks are passed as shown in the diagram. **NOTE THAT WHILE MOST MARKS ARE PASSED ON ALTERNATING SIDES, THIS IS NOT TRUE FOR THE FIRST MARK AFTER THE LEEWARD MARK.**
- 6.6. Each boat shall tack between each mark on the upwind leg and jibe between each mark on the downwind leg, except as depicted in the course diagram. A boat that violates this rule will receive a time penalty of 30 seconds for that heat.
- 6.7. On the leg of the course between the top marks, a starboard tack boat is required to sail her proper course.

7. THE START

- 7.1. The Starting Line is between the course sides of the two leeward marks.
- 7.2. Each race will be started using the Appendix U Audible-Signal Racing System with the Warning Signal **1 minute** before the start and an alert signal 15 seconds before the Warning Signal.

Time before Start	Meaning
1:00	Warning Signal and Preparatory Signal
0:00	Starting Signal

8. THE FINISH

The Finish Line is between the course sides of the two leeward marks.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. One match sailed by each registrant constitutes a series.
- 9.2. Appendix A2, A4, A9 and A10 are deleted.
- 9.3. A8 is changed so that if after the Round Robin Phase two boats are tied on points, the tie will be broken on the basis of their head-to-head competition. If three or more boats are tied, the order will be by drawing lots.

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- 9.4. The winner of each match will be the lowest total time in the two heats of each match. The winner receives one point.
- 9.5. In the Round Robin Phase, each boat within a Division (grouping of identical or similar boats) will participate in the same number of races. The highest number of points wins.
- 9.6. The Round Robin Phase will be conducted as follows:
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| 3 Entrants: | Triple Round Robin |
| 4 Entrants: | Double Round Robin |
| 5-7 Entrants: | Single Round Robin |
| 8+ Entrants: | Double Elimination Tournament |
- 9.7. A competitor may enter more than one Division (e.g. Sunfish and Laser).
- 9.8. If there are 7 or fewer registrants, after the completion of the Round Robin Phase for each Division, the top two boats will race in the Finals for that Division. The first boat to win two heats in a row wins the Finals. The third and fourth

place boats after the Round Robin Phase will race a single match for the third-place prize.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race Committee may communicate to competitors on VHF 72.

11. SAFETY REGULATIONS

Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device at all times while within the racing area, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This changes rule 40 PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES: *LIFE-SAVING EQUIPMENT*.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Attachment A Course Diagrams

