

ILCA Tahoe Fleet Championship

Tahoe City, CA

September 12-13, 2026

Sailing Instructions – Including Amendment 1 and 2

Organizing Authority: Tahoe Yacht Club

The notation [DP] means that the penalty for a breach of the rule, may at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than DSQ.

The notation [NP] in a rule means it shall not be grounds for protest by another boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

1 RULES

As described in the NOR.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at 1300 hours, Saturday 9/12, at the Lake Forest Launch Ramp area.

2.2 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Tahoe Yacht Club electronic official notice board on the TYC website: <https://tahoeYC.com/regatta/CZmX3eTeyl>.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Changes to the sailing instruction will be posted on the official notice board by 1200 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 the day before it will take effect.

3.2 In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), the race committee may give oral changes to the sailing instructions, on-the-water. Should this be deemed necessary, the race committee shall display the "L" flag on the signal boat while making oral announcements.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed near the launch ramp.

4.1 When signal flag AP is displayed ashore, the time for the warning signal will be made no earlier than 30 minutes after the lowering of the AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 10 races are scheduled as follows. The number of races per day is weather-dependent and will be determined by the race committee.

Competitors' Meeting	Saturday 9/12	1300 hours
Day 1 (six races scheduled)	Saturday 9/12	First warning 1400 hours
Day 2 (four races scheduled)	Sunday 9/13	First warning 1400 hours

5.2 Warning signals for second and subsequent races each day will be made as soon as practical after completion of each race.

5.4 On Sunday 9/13 no warning signal will be made after 1730 hours.

6 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be on north Lake Tahoe near the Lake Forest launch ramp.

7 THE COURSES AND MARKS

7.1 See Addendum A for mark descriptions and a course diagram. Addendum A contains proper course sheet.

7.2 The windward and windward offset marks shall be left to port.

7.3 No later than the warning signal, a numeral pennant will be displayed indicating the course to be sailed.

8 CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS AND DIVISION BREAKDOWNS. This changes the NOR.

8.1 Boats will be entered in either division 1, division 2, or division 3 (existing registrations will change). Division 1 is intended for more experienced ILCA sailors, division 2 for the less experienced, and division 3 for junior/lightweights. A minimum of four boats per fleet is required, unless approved by the race committee.

8.2 Rig swapping is permitted. Boats may sail with any configuration (ILCA 4, ILCA 6, ILCA 7), in any race, with no restriction on which class-legal sail plan is selected.

8.3 Class flags will be a “1” or “2” or “3” black numeral on a white field.

9 THE START

9.1 Races will be started using RRS Appendix U (Audible-Signal Racing System).

9.2 For **ILCA 6s and ILCA 7s all divisions**, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and an adjacent red inflatable mark.

~~9.3 For ILCA 4s, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and an adjacent white ball.~~

9.3 A boat that starts later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

9.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting and finishing areas during the starting sequence for other classes, and while boats are finishing. [DP]

10 RECALLS

The Race Committee may hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) identified on the course side of the starting line after the starting signal. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat to hear the hail, or the order of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original *mark* (or the finishing line) to a new position.

The race committee may change a leg of the course by up to twenty (20) degrees in bearing and/or 0.2nm in length without signaling. This changes RRS 33.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a blue flag on a race committee vessel and an adjacent red ball.

13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish each race is 45 minutes.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in its division sails the course and finishes, will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS [NP] [DP]

14.1 Boats intending to protest or request redress shall notify the PRO on the race committee signal vessel, including the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested, following the race in which the incident occurred. [DP]

14.2 A fillable, online protest form is available at:

https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/US_Sailing_Hearing_Request_Form_20210301_Fillable.pdf.

14.3 Protests and requests for redress shall be emailed to the Jury Chair (see email address below) within 60 minutes after completion of the final race of the day. [DP]

14.4 Protests will be heard in the Lake Forest small boat yard as soon as possible after racing.

15 SCORING

15.1 Ten (10) races are scheduled for the series. Three (3) completed races are required to constitute a series.

15.2 If fewer than five races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. For every five races completed, one race score shall be discarded. This changes RRS A2.1.

16 SAFETY [DP]

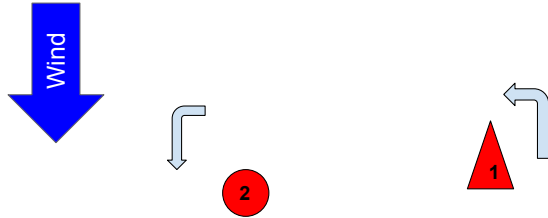
Boats shall notify the race committee when retiring from the racecourse.

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Addendum A - Course and Mark Descriptions



A1 MARKS - BUOY RACES

Mark	Description
Starting Line	Orange flag on signal vessel and adjacent red inflatable mark
Finishing Line	Blue flag on RC vessel and adjacent red ball
1	Red inflatable (windward mark)
2	Red ball (offset mark)
3s/3p	Inflatable yellow cylinders (leeward gate)

A2 COURSES AND ROUNDING ORDER - BUOY RACES

Course	Mark Rounding Order
1	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - Finish
2	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - Finish
3	Start - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - 1 - 2 - 3s/3p - Finish

All roundings/passings to port except gate marks.

Mark 2 may or may not be set.

If one gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded/passed to port.

(not to scale)

