



I-LYA 70th Annual Junior Championships

July 12-16, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



The notation "[NP]" in a rule in these Sailing Instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the I-LYA Junior Bay Week Competitors' Code of Conduct.
(<https://sites.google.com/view/ilyajrchamps-com>)
- 1.2. [DP][NP] In the event of entries with duplicate sail numbers within a class or on the same course, both entries shall modify the original sail number to become unique in that class or on that course.
- 1.3. [DP][NP] For those boats with top sail numbers, all communication between the race committee signal boat and competitors shall be designated by the top sail number and not the sail number. If top sail numbers are used, the starboard side numbers shall be displayed higher than the port side numbers.
- 1.4. US Sailing prescriptions to RRS Part 5, Section B - Hearings And Making Decisions shall not apply.
- 1.5. At the race committee's discretion, following a general recall, postponement, or abandonment, the signal displayed may be lowered with a series of 5 sounds in lieu of one sound. This changes RRS 29.2 and Race Signals AP, N, and First Substitute.
- 1.6. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply
- 1.7. RRS 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: "if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or..."

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board(s) located in the pavilion of the Put-In-Bay Yacht Club (PIBYC). Courtesy postings may also be made online at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/mHnJkJKEJt>

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes prior to the harbor signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before the schedule change will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole on the PIBYC dock.
- 4.2. [DP][NP] When flag AP is displayed ashore, competitors SHALL NOT leave the shore. The warning signal for the first start will be made no sooner than 60 minutes after lowering of the shore side AP flag. This changes Race Signal AP.
- 4.3. [DP][NP] When a turquoise flag is displayed ashore, competitors SHALL NOT leave the PIBYC grounds. All alleged infractions of this rule will be initially referred to the Code of Conduct Council.
- 4.4. Boats shall not launch prior to the harbor signal each day. The harbor signal will be sounded approximately 60 minutes prior to the warning signal of the first race of the day.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. When more than one race will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race shall be made as soon as practicable.
- 5.2. Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today."



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6. CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be flags with the class insignia for each class and will be described on the official notice board prior to 1800 hours Sunday July 12, 2026.

7. RACING AREAS

There shall be ONE racing area for all fleets competing. The locations of the racing area is indicated in Attachment B of these Sailing Instructions.

8. COURSES TO BE SAILED

The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. The following information will be posted on the official notice board no later than 1800 hours on Sunday: (1) The description of the marks to be used on each race course; and (2) a description of the race committee signal boat to be used on each course.
- 9.2. If a gate mark is missing, each boat shall round the remaining leeward mark to port.

10. THE START

- 10.1. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- 10.2. FOR THE ILCA4 FLEET: The start will be between the staff displaying the orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of an intermediate mark making that starting line shorter than the ILCA6/C420 fleet.
- 10.3. [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.5. An "alert" signal may be made by the race committee signal boat by a series of short sound

signals commencing approximately one (1) minute before a warning signal.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark ("change mark") or move the finishing line and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The new mark for mark 1 may be without an associated 1a. When in a subsequent change the change mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark, and if it is for mark 1, it may be without an associated 1a.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a near-by finish mark.

13. TIME LIMITS

- 13.1. The time limit for the first boat to sail the course in each class is 60 minutes.
- 13.2. A boat failing to sail the course within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing and will be scored two more points than the number of finishers that have sailed the course. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5, and A10.
- 13.3. The last, yet-to-finish boat may elect to notify the RC Signal Boat via mark boats, I-LYA coach boats, or other support boats as designated and approved by the Course Race Officer, within the Time Limit for sailing the course, of her intention to not complete the course. The Principal Race Officer shall then designate her as finished based on her position on the course. This changes RRS 28.1. Scoring decisions of the race committee made under this provision are final and not grounds for redress. A boat scored in this manner may not appeal or request redress.



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14. REPORTS OF THE PROTEST COMMITTEE AND RACE COMMITTEE (RC)

- 14.1. Reports of the Race Committee regarding incidents on the water shall be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 15 minutes after the Signal Boat's docking time.
- 14.2. The Race Committee shall report their actions related to boats scored DNC, DNS, OCS, ZFP, UFD, BFD, DNF, DNE, NSC or Did not Check-In.

15. SCORING INQUIRIES, HEARING REQUESTS AND 3 MINUTE JUSTICE PROCEDURE:

- 15.1. Competitors' Scoring Inquiry forms, Request for Hearing forms, and Appendix V forms will be available at the Protest Committee Desk. All completed forms are to be delivered to the Protest Committee Desk.
- 15.2. Competitors requesting clarification on their scores must submit a Scoring Inquiry Form and go through the scoring inquiry process prior to filing any request for redress. This changes RRS 61.2.
- 15.3. Any competitor requesting clarification on the action of the on-the-water judges and the RC as stated in SI 15.1 and 15.2 shall submit a Scoring Inquiry Form prior to the protest time limit.
- 15.4. The Protest Time Limit is forty-five (45) minutes from the time the RC signal boat for that fleet has docked.
- 15.5. Request for a Hearing regarding incidents on the race course shall be delivered to the Protest Committee within the Protest Time Limit.
- 15.6. Docking times of the RC Signal Boats will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.7. The schedule of hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board and will be held as soon as possible. A hearing may start before the protest time limit has expired.
- 15.8. Protest procedure will be using the 3 minute justice system heard by coaches from outside teams. Coaches for the protest committee will be assigned at the daily briefing preceding the racing.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1. [DP][NP] All competitors, before leaving shore, shall remove from the Tag Board the tag identified as theirs and attach it to their PFD while on the water. Upon coming ashore at the end of the racing day, they shall return it to the specified location on the Tag Board immediately.
- 16.2. Competitors may not take or return the tag belonging to any other competitor.
- 16.3. Any competitor not complying with 16.1 and 16.2 shall be penalized with their boat receiving a 20% scoring penalty calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c) for the first race of the day without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.
- 16.4. [NP] Before the warning signal of the first race of the day, each competing boat shall sail past the race committee signal boat and hail her sail number (or top sail number, if applicable) until verbally acknowledged by the race committee signal boat. Any boat not complying with this instruction shall receive a 20% scoring penalty calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c) for the first race of the day without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1.
- 16.5. [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee signal boat, or a safety boat, and may not leave the racing area until granted permission by the Principal Race Officer or Judge assigned to that course, and must have an escort boat accompany her to shore. Any boat not complying with this instruction shall be penalized, without a hearing, by receiving a 20% scoring penalty calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c) for the last race in which she competed and finished. This changes A5.1.
- 16.6. [DP] All boats are required to sail between the red channel marker in the Put-In-Bay harbor and the "Harbor Master" boat when exiting and entering the harbor. The Harbor Master boat is an on-water gate. The purpose is on-water traffic control, safety, and communication. There will be one of three flags flown from this vessel:



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16.7. **Green:** Proceed to the race course (when exiting harbor) or proceed to land (when entering harbor)

16.8. **Red:** Stay in the vicinity of the Harbor Master boat.

16.9. **Code Flag L ("Lima"):** Approach the Harbor Master boat to receive further instruction.

17. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP][NP]

17.1. Substitution of crew or replacement of equipment not included with the original entry shall not be allowed without written permission of the Principal Race Officer and/or the organizing authority.

17.2. Boats shall display the sail number entered on the registration form and shall not change the number without prior written approval of the Principal Race Officer or Organizing Authority.

18. COACHING/OUTSIDE CONTACT

18.1. [NP] The Organizing Authority will provide an I-LYA coach. The I-LYA provided coach, while on the water, may communicate with any or all competitors in between races and may communicate with those boats in the last five places of their fleet during any race. The I-LYA coach will debrief competitors ashore after each day's races. The I-LYA coach, with the approval of the Principal Race Officer or Judge on the course, may request additional assistance from a club coach. The Principal Race Officer or Judge on the course may directly request assistance from a club coach. This changes RRS 41.

18.2. Unless explicitly directed by an I-LYA Course Coach, Course PRO, Course Judge, or for safety, all coaching boats are to stay out of the racing area and operate without speed/wake at least 100 yards away from any boat that is racing and restrict their travel to the top and starboard sides of the course, outside of the racing area unless responding to an emergency. Coaches violating this rule will be removed from the race course.

18.2.1. The closest coach boat shall respond to the PRO's request for assistance to a competitor.

18.3. Other coaching will be permitted only between races and as follows:

18.3.1. Only persons registered with the event as Club/Team Coaches may coach between races.

18.3.2. Coaching is limited to two coach boats per Club or Team. The coach boat must be registered with the event, manned by at least two able-bodied people at all times, and properly identified by a coach flag. Except as noted in Instruction 18.1, a boat may receive coaching only after she has either properly finished or retired and up to the next warning signal for her class and within the coaching box defined in SI 18.3.3.

18.3.3. Coaching between races may only occur within the designated "coaching box" - an area at least 50 yards outside of the starboard end of the finish line. Marks defining this area may be set at the discretion of the race committee. See the current I-LYA Junior Bay Week Coaching Guidelines for a diagram of the "coaching box."

18.3.4. All Club/Team Coaches are requested to check in with the race committee upon arrival on the course and when leaving the course.

18.3.5 All coaches are required at all times while on the water to wear an approved flotation device and to wear engine kill cords/cut off devices in good working order.

18.4. [DP] Except as noted in SI 18.1 and 18.3, from the time of the harbor signal each morning, until the protest time limit for all courses has expired, competitors may not have contact with team leaders, parents, coaches, or other non-event persons.

18.5. At the discretion of the Overall PRO or Event Chair; this rule may be modified as necessary for boats unable to comply.

18.6. [DP] No parent, guardian, private coach, support person, or advisor is to provide assistance on



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the protest or redress process until all protests/redress requests are heard.

19. PRIZES

- 19.1. The top finishers in each class shall receive awards, as follows;
- For the ILCA6 Gold Series, the top five (5) finishers
 - For the ILCA6 Silver Series, the top three (3) finishers.
 - For the 420 Class, the top 8 finishers.
 - For the ILCA4 Class, the top three (3) finishers
- 19.2. If the Qualification Series is not completed or if no races are completed after Tuesday, trophies for the ILCA6 Class will be awarded to the top 8 finishers.