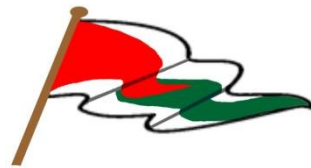




NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE SAILING CLUB

Saturday July 18, 2026

Sailing Instructions (SI)



Initial release: July 8, 2026

1 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

2 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://niagaraonthelakesailingclub.com/regatta/M1fj4plmjR>
- 2.2 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 69.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be made at the flagpole nearest the NOLSC riverfront.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The skippers' meeting is scheduled to start at 8:30 at the tent near the lighthouse.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1000.
- 4.3 A maximum of five races are scheduled to be run.

5 RACING AREA

The races will be held in the Niagara Race Area.

6 COURSES

- 6.1 The diagrams in SI Addendum 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.
- 6.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course designation:
 - (a) Course A and Course B will be displayed on the upper row of the course board, and
 - (b) The NFS course will be displayed on the lower row of the course board.

7 MARKS

- 7.1 Course A: Mark 1a is an orange-red inflatable ball.
- 7.2 Course B: Mark 1b is a yellow-orange inflatable cylinder.
- 7.3 Marks 2 and 3 are orange inflatable tetrahedrons.

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- 7.4 The starting marks are the race committee signal vessel and a red inflatable tetrahedron.
- 7.5 The finishing marks are the race committee signal vessel and a green inflatable tetrahedron.
- 7.6 New marks, as provided in SI 10, are:
- (a) mark 1a is a white inflatable ball,
 - (b) mark 1b, 2 or 3 is a yellow inflatable tetrahedron.

8 THE START

- 8.1 The starting line is a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 8.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 8.3 For the first race the race committee intends to start classes in the sequence listed in Addendum B, the Course Information Sheet. Failure of the race committee to follow that sequence will not be grounds for redress.
- 8.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

9 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

A course change will be announced verbally on VHF 69. This changes RRS 33.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1 The finishing line is a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 10.2 If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time and her position relative to nearby racing boats to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

11 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 11.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Target Time, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Target Time	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
30 minutes	45 minutes	90 minutes	30 minutes

- 11.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 11.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 11.4 Failure to meet the Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

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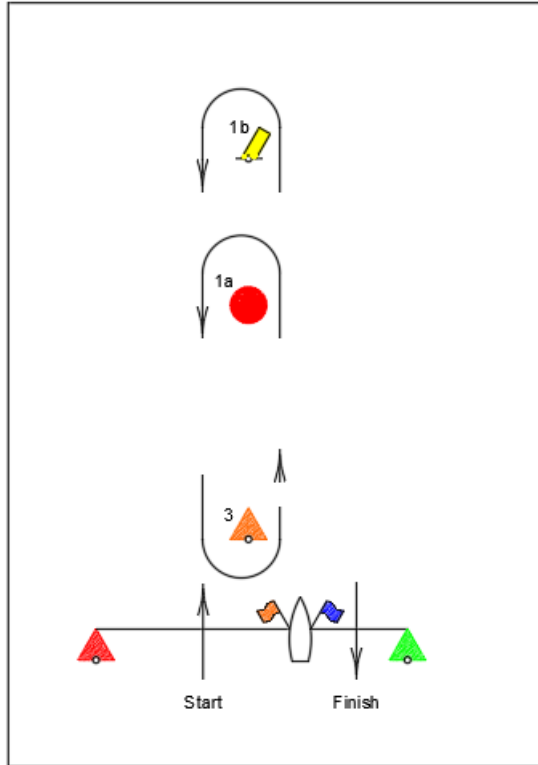
12 HEARING REQUESTS

- 12.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the race committee vessel signals her return to her mooring.
- 12.2 Hearing request forms are available from the **race office** located at the A-Frame or can be download at <https://niagaraonthelakesailingclub.com/racing>. Hearing Forms shall be delivered to the race office.
- 12.3 Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and the location of the hearing room.

13 SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

Addendum A – Course Diagrams



Course A

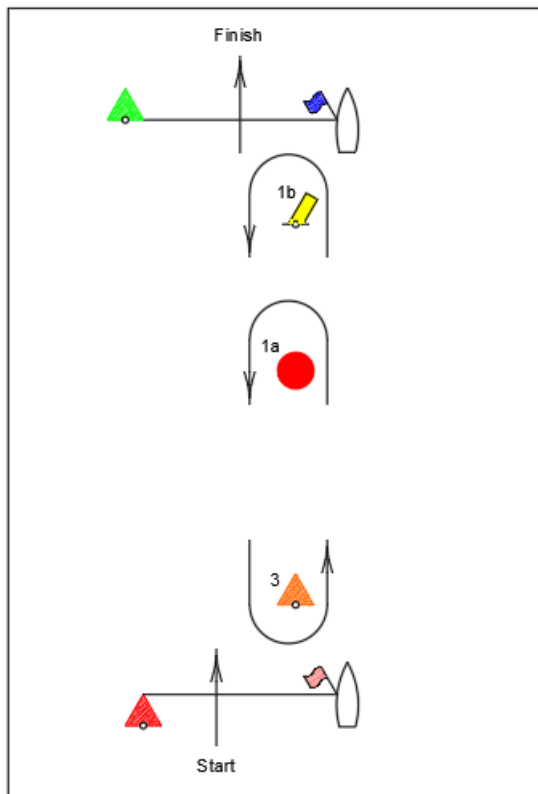
Course L – Windward/Leeward, Leeward Finish

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
L2	Start-1a-3-1a-Finish
L3	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-Finish
L4	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-3-1a-Finish

Course B

Course L – Windward/Leeward, Leeward Finish

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
L2	Start-1b-3-1b-Finish
L3	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-Finish
L4	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-3-1b-Finish



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Course W – Windward/Leeward, Windward Finish

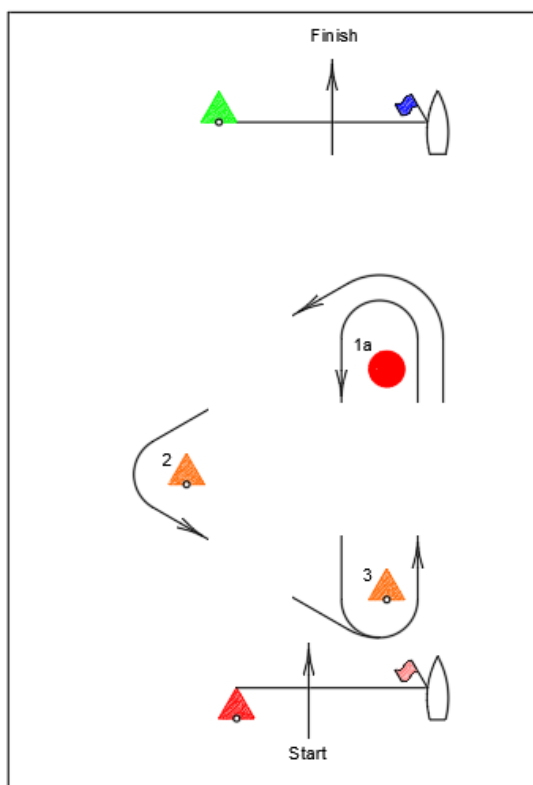
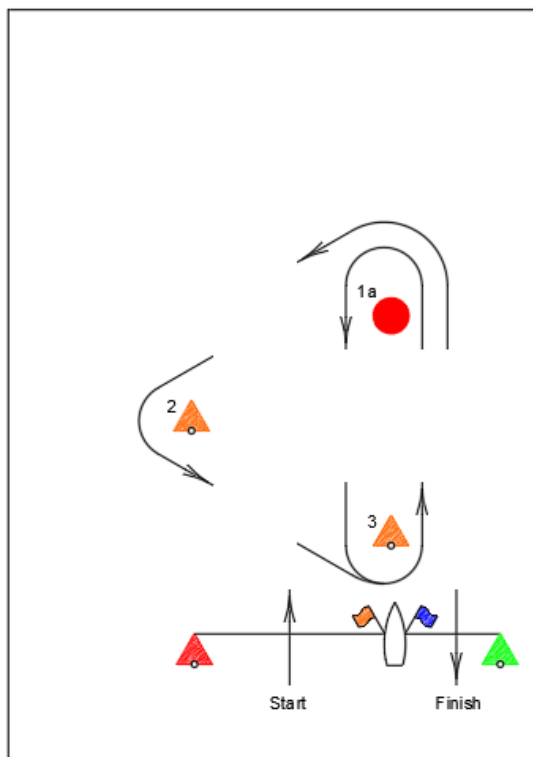
<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
W2	Start-1a-3-Finish
W3	Start-1a-3-1a-3-Finish
W4	Start-1a-3-1a-3-1a-3-Finish

Course B

Course W – Windward/Leeward, Windward Finish

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
W2	Start-1b-3-Finish
W3	Start-1b-3-1b-3-Finish
W4	Start-1b-3-1b-3-1b-3-Finish

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Course TL – Triangle, Leeward Finish

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
TL1	Start-1a-2-Finish
TL2	Start-1a-2-3-1a-Finish
TL3	Start-1a-2-3-1a-3-1a-Finish
TL4	Start-1a-2-3-1a-3-1a-3-1a-Finish

The angles between each leg of the course are approximately 60°

NFS

Course TW – Triangle, Windward Finish

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
TW2	Start-1a-2-3-Finish
TW3	Start-1a-2-3-1a-3-Finish
TW4	Start-1a-2-3-1a-3-1a-3-Finish

The angles between each leg of the course are approximately 60°