



Hampton Yacht Club One Design Series, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#1 April Fools Regatta, April 6

#2 Hampton Hospice Regatta, May 18

*#3 Southern Bay Race, May 30-June 2 (*This document only governs the series scoring for this event)

#4 HYC Annual Regatta, July 6-7

#5 Fall Fling, November 2-3

Hampton Yacht Club, Hampton, VA

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024.

1.2 Appendix V1 (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) is in effect for all fleets.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located online for each event:

#1 April Fools: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/wwP9401I2B>

#2 Hospice: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/QicRLbIWyE>

#3 SBRW: <https://www.hamptonyc.com/southern-bay-race-week>

#4 Annual: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/qv6fMXeJaa>

#5 Fall Fling: <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/FoC4AVUnGc>

2.2 Supplementary sailing instructions (called 'the supplement' below) will be posted on the regatta's respective official notice board.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, unless this time is changed in the supplement. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole located in front of the main clubhouse.

4.2 When Flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in Race Signals "AP". This changes Race Signals "AP".

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The supplement will include a table showing the days, dates, number of races

scheduled, the scheduled times of the first warning signal each day, and the latest time for a warning signal on the last scheduled day of racing.

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least one minute before a warning signal is made.

** Multiple windward/leeward races will be attempted each day, weather permitting.

** Flag "A" displayed with no sound as boats finish means "No more racing today".

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags for start:

Melges 24: White Field w/ red and blue M24 class insignia

Viper: White Field w/ red Viper class insignia

J-24: White Field w/ blue J24 class insignia

Sonar: White Field w/ red Sonar class insignia

*Additional Classes may be named in the supplement.

6.2 Competitors are not required to display class flags.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be off Hampton Flats, approx. 1 nm SW of the mouth of the Hampton River.

8. COURSES

8.1 Courses will be windward/leeward, twice around unless changed by the supplement. **See Appendix A.**

8.2 A long and short weather mark will be set. The bearing and distance from the RC Signal Boat to the Long Weather Mark will be displayed prior to Warning. The Short Weather Mark will be set approx. 0.2-0.3 nm to leeward of the Long Weather Mark and on approx. the same bearing.

9. MARKS

9.1 Description of marks:

* Long Weather = 3' Orange Tomato (1)

* Short Weather = 2' Red Cylinder (1a)

* Change Mark = 3' Yellow Tomato

* Leeward Mark = 3' Yellow Tomato (2)

* Start/Finish Mark = 3' Green Tomato

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 unless modified in the supplement.

** Rolling starts may or may not be used. Watch the flags and listen to the horns.

** In addition, an Attention Signal of multiple sounds will be made approx. one (1) minute prior to the Warning Signal for each new set of races. This is not a timed signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

10.3 Any boat starting more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS (Did Not Start). This changes RRS A4 & A5.

10.4 Prior to her first race of the day, each boat shall check-in with the RC by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat and hailing her sail number until acknowledged by the RC.

10.5 **For a 505 Fleet only:**

a. A Gate ("Rabbit") Start will be used. Code Flag "G" will be displayed from the RC Signal Boat with the

Warning to designate that a Gate Start is being used.

b. The starting line will be between the port end starting pin and the Pathfinder's stern.

c. The Pathfinder for Race 1 shall be designated by the RC at the Skippers Meeting. Subsequent Pathfinders will be the boat finishing third in the preceding race. If that boat has already been Pathfinder, the RC will designate a boat as Pathfinder. The sail number of the Pathfinder will be displayed on the Signal Boat prior to each race.

d. The Pathfinder is released once all boats have started or Code Flag "G" is removed, whichever comes first. Flag "G" will be removed approx. one (1) minute after Warning.

11. RECALLS

11.1 Individual Recalls will be made as per RRS 29.1. In addition, the RC will attempt to hail premature starters via VHF-72.

11.2 Failure of a hail or transmission to be made or heard or the position of the boat in the sequence of notifications will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1

12. CHANGING THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as is practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by the original mark.

12.2 If a Change Mark is used, all fleets will round that Change Mark.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The Finish Line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

14. RETIREMENTS

14.1 Any boat retiring from a race or leaving the racing area before the conclusion of racing shall inform the RC via hail or radio transmission immediately.

15. TIME LIMITS

15.1 The time limit for a race is 90 minutes. Target time is 40-45 minutes.

15.2 Any boat still racing but not finished 20 minutes after the first boat in her fleet sails the course and finishes, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

15.3 If the finish can be determined in a reasonable fashion, the RC may call a boat in to facilitate the start of a new race. Provided she was still racing, such boat will be scored as finished or, where appropriate, TLE.

16. PENALTY SYSTEM

16.1 RRS Appendix V1 (Penalty at the Time of an Incident) is in effect for all fleets.

17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 A boat intending to protest another boat for an incident while racing, shall so notify the RC immediately upon finishing or retiring from that race.

17.2 Written protests must be delivered to the RC within 60 minutes after the RC docks at HYC.

17.3 A list of protests filed and potential hearing times will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 15 minutes after the end of Protest Time. This posting also satisfies all RC/PC notification requirements under RRS 61.1(b)

17.4 On the final day of racing, no boat may request re-opening of a hearing. This changes RRS 66.

18. SCORING

18.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will be used except that, if at least five (5) races are completed and scored, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst excludable score.

18.2 Time Limit Expired (TLE) will be scored one (1) point more than the number of boats still racing at the expiration of the time limit in that fleet who sailed the course and finished within the Time Limit.

18. 3 HYC ONE-DESIGN SERIES HIGH POINT

- Hampton Yacht Club will score the following One-Design Regattas as a series to establish annual champions in the One-Design fleets:
 - April Fool’s Regatta
 - Hospice Regatta
 - Southern Bay Race Week
 - HYC Annual OD Regatta
 - Fall Fling
- Series scoring will be done by the Alternate Long Series High Point Percentage method recommended by US Sailing, where “N” is the number of boats entered in a particular race.
- There will be no throw-outs.
- All regatta entrants are eligible, and need not be an HYC member.
- Awards for three (3) places will be given in each class at the annual HYC Awards Night in December.
- Two or more regattas constitute a series.

19. **RADIOS**

19.1 Boats are encouraged to carry a working VHF radio.

19.2 The RC will make courtesy radio announcements via **VHF-72 (except for SBRW will use VHF-71)**. Such announcements may include such things as RC intentions, updates on postponements, and safety or weather information. In addition, as per SI #11, the RC will attempt radio hails of premature starters.

20. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.

21. CONTACTS

- Event Coordinator Maxwell Plarr (757) 722-0711 sailingdirector@hamptonyc.com

| Event | Date | Year | OA | PRO | Protest Chair |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| April's Fool #1 | April 6 | 2024 | Alan Bomar | Tim Etherington | John McCarthy |
| Hospice Regatta #2 | May 18 | 2024 | Maxwell Plarr | Brian Deibler | John McCarthy |
| Southern Bay Race Week #3 | May 30-Jun 2 | 2024 | HYC | Brian Deibler | John McCarthy |
| HYC Annual #4 | July 6-7 | 2024 | Alan Bomar | TBD | John McCarthy |
| Fall Fling #5 | Nov 2-3 | 2024 | Joe Buczkowski | McConaughy | John McCarthy |

APPENDIX A: COURSES



WINDWARD/LEEWARD, Twice Around

Long Weather Mark Fleets: Start, 1 (Port), 2 (Port), 1 (Port), FINISH

Short Weather Mark Fleets: Start, 1a (Port), 2 (Port), 1a (Port), FINISH

**** THE SUPPLEMENT MAY CHANGE THE COURSE DUE TO FLEET SIZE WITH THE ADDITION OF A GATE, AN OFFSET AT THE WINDWARD MARK, OR A SEPARATE FINISH LINE**