



2026 Tuesday One-Design Series

May 12 – September 8, 2026

Rochester Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 In the event any change(s) to the Sailing Instructions are posted, the Race Committee shall endeavour to signal the change by displaying code flag L ashore. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1400 on the day it takes effect. Failure to display code flag L shall not be grounds for redress.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/3sRLDXKHae/#notice-board>.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channel 72.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72. Failure to make an announcement, failure of a competitor to receive an announcement, or the order of information in an announcement, shall not be grounds for redress.
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole north of the RYC Clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Eighteen (18) race days are scheduled, divided into three series - Spring, Summer, and Fall.

Series	Dates
One Design - Spring Series	05/12 – 06/16/26
One Design - Summer Series	06/23 – 08/04/26
One Design - Fall Series	08/11 – 09/08/26

- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is:

Class	Warning May-August	Warning September
Melges 15	1815	1800
J/24	1820	1805

- 5.3 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 five minutes before a warning signal is made.

- 5.4 When more than one race is held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race shall be as soon as practicable.

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 The class flags are:

Class	Flag
Melges 15	M15
J/24	J/24

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The approximate location of the starting area will be 1nm ENE of the Summerville pier.

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram(s) in SI Addendum 1 show(s) the course(s), 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.

- 8.2 The course to be sailed for each race will be signalled by placards displayed on the signal boat.

- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks will be orange, red, green, or yellow tetrahedrons or cylinders.

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 On legs of the course from W to L, **the start line, and marks**, taken together, is an obstruction **when the orange flag is displayed**. On legs of the course from W to L, the finish line and marks, taken together, is an obstruction **when the blue flag is displayed**.

11 THE START

- 11.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS Appendix U Audible-Signal Racing System. This changes RRS 26.
- 11.2** The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 11.3** [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 11.4** If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. A boat may not request redress based on failure of the race committee to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 11.5** Any boat not starting within 3 minutes of her starting signal for a race will be scored DNS for that race. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1** The finishing line will be between the blue flag on the signal boat and the nearby finishing mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 14.1** RSS Appendices V1 and V2 shall apply.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1** The time limit for each race shall be 60 minutes from that class's start.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1** The time limit for filing hearing requests is 60 minutes after the Race Committee boat docks
- 16.2** Hearing request forms may be filed in writing at the RYC bar, or by hand to the Racing Fleet Captain.
- 16.3** RRS 61.2(b)(2) and 63.7(b)(2) do not apply

17 SCORING

17.1 Three races must be completed to constitute a series.

17.2 The Melges 15 series score shall be the total of her races excluding her worst score once five (5) races have been scored. Additionally, there will be 2 discards after ten (10) races are scored with 3 discards after fifteen (15) races are scored. Three (3) discards are the maximum per series.

The J/24 series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score once four (4) races have been scored.

This modifies RRS A2.1.

17.3 AVG: If a boat is competing in an away Class Regatta, the boat may be scored the average of her other starts in the series, limited to one race day per series.

****Any boat that qualifies for scoring under AVG must notify the Racing Fleet Captain prior to the race to be eligible for average finish scoring.**

17.4 RRS A5.3 applies.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

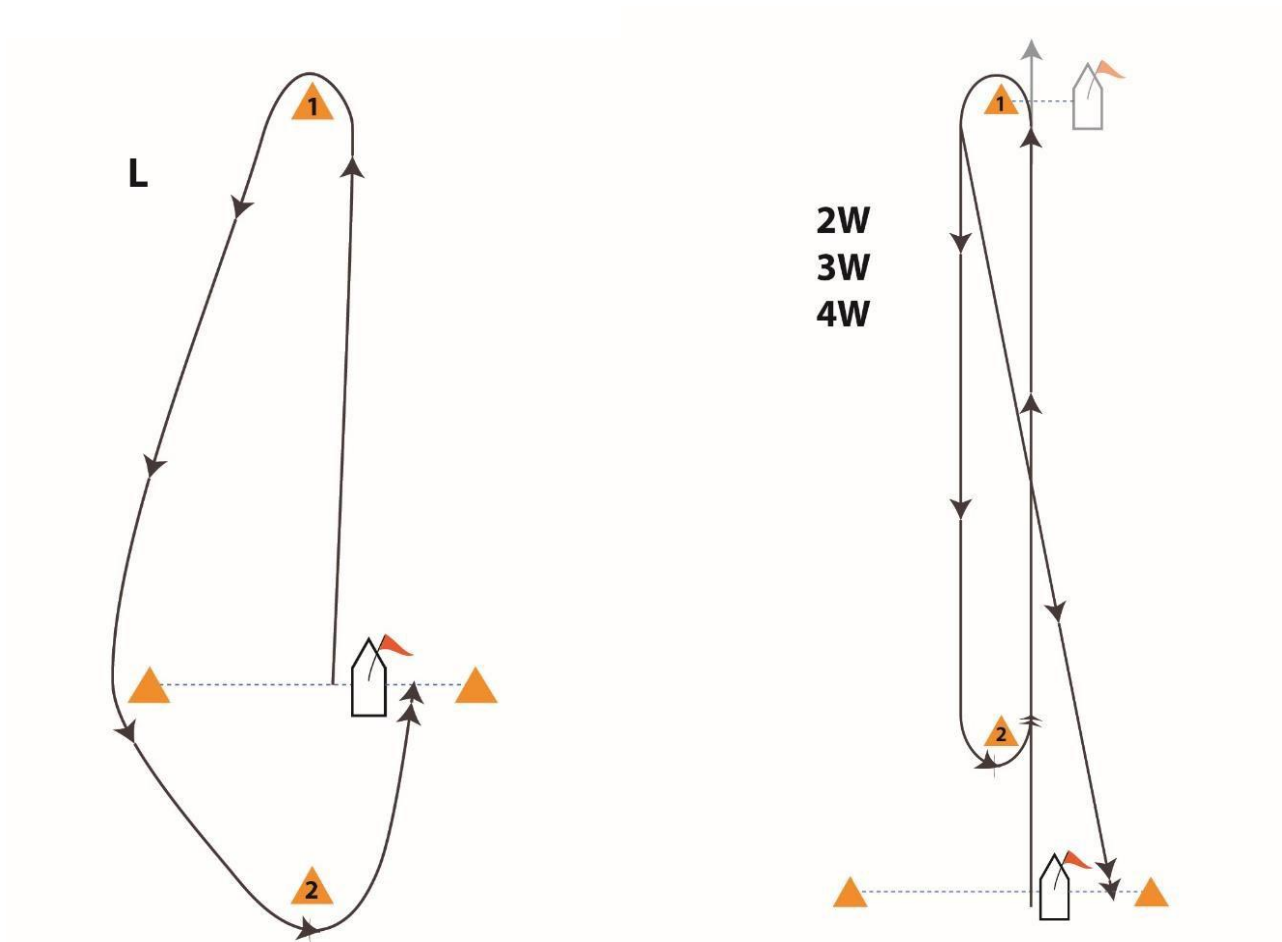
18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity by hail, VHF radio, or in person.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

19.1 [DP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

SI ADDENDUM 1

ONE DESIGN COURSE DIAGRAMS



L: Start → 1 → 2 → Finish

2L: Start → 1 → 2 → 1 → 2 → Finish

3L: Start → 1 → 2 → 1 → 2 → 1 → 2 → Finish

2W: Start → 1 → Finish

3W: Start → 1 → 2 → Finish*

4W: Start → 1 → 2 → 1 → Finish

* Note that for course 3W, the finish mark is mark 1.