

Flying Scot® Sailing Association

Standard Sailing Instructions for Sanctioned Regattas (non-NAC)

2016 Space Coast Invitational Regatta Indian River Yacht Club March 12 & 13, 2016

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current version of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

2. ENTRIES

2.1 Boats may be entered in this regatta by completing registration with the Organizing Authority on March 12th, 2016 at Kelly Park, Merritt Island FL

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the pavilion at Kelly Park, Merritt Island FL

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by the end of the competitors meeting on Saturday and before 9:30 on Sunday, except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted before the end of protest time on Saturday. Oral changes may be made on the water after the display of flag "L" with one sound.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed in the boat launching area.

5.2 If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less 30 minutes after the last boat is launched or 45 minutes (which ever is less) after flag AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1 A competitors' meeting will be held Saturday March 12th 2016 at the Pavilion in Kelly Park. 10:30:00.

6.2 Races are scheduled as follows:

- Saturday (12th) First Warning will be at 12:30:00.
 - Three races are scheduled

- Sunday (13th) First Warning will be at 10:30:00.
 - Two races are scheduled

6.3 No warning signal will be made after 14:00:00 on the last day of the regatta.

7. CLASS FLAGS

White Flying Scot Class Flag

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be east of the launch area in the Banana River.

9. COURSES

9.1 Courses will be Windward – Leeward

9.2 The course laps will be displayed on a white board located near the stern of the Committee Boat.

9.3 If a gate mark is missing or not used, leave the remaining mark to port.

10. MARKS

10.1 The rounding marks will be Orange Cylinders

10.2 The offset mark for windward-leeward courses will be an Orange Ball.

10.3 The starting mark will be a Yellow Cylinder.

10.4 The finishing mark will be a Yellow Ball

11. THE START

11.1 Prior to the Warning Signal of first race of the day, each boat shall check in by sailing past the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing her sail number until acknowledged.

11.2 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a race committee boat at the starboard end, and the course side of the nearby starting mark.

11.3 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

11.4 If flag "U" has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the starting signal. This changes rule 26. The scoring abbreviation UFD is added. This changes RRS A11.

11.5 The Race Committee will hail boats that are OCS using VHF. The timing of such hails, the order of hailing, or failure of a competitor to hear a hail will not be considered an improper action or omission under RRS 62.1.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finish will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a race committee boat and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

12.2 Boats that retire before finishing shall inform the RC as soon as possible.

12.3 Flag R displayed from the stern of the signal boat means: Another race will be started. Flag R will be removed with 1 sound 60 seconds before the warning for the next race.

13. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 45 minutes and for the first boat to finish will be 90 minutes. If either of these limits is not met, the race will be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE).

14. PROTESTS

14.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes from the time the race committee signal boat docks. The docking time will be posted on the Notice Board.

14.2 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

14.2.1 within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;

14.2.2 no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

14.3 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

15. SCORING

15.1 All completed races will be scored, i.e. no score will be excluded.

15.2 Five races are scheduled, of which one must be completed to constitute a regatta.

15.3 The score for TLE will be the number of boats to sail the course and finish within the time limit, plus two. This changes RRS A4.1.

16. VHF RADIOS

Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 to provide information to competitors including hails for OCS.

17. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded as stated in the Notice of Race.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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.

REVISION 2/2/16