



2019 Star North American Championship

September 9-14, 2019

Toms River Yacht Club

Toms River, New Jersey, USA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Toms River Yacht Club (TRYC) in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the SIs means it shall not be grounds for protest by a boat. This change is added to RRS 60.1(a).

1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 USSailing Prescriptions 60.3, 61.4, 67, 76.1, and Appendix R will apply. All other US Sailing Prescriptions will not apply.
The full text of these prescriptions is in Attachment BRAVO.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P will NOT apply. This changes NOR 1.3.
- 1.4 Appendix T1 ONLY, Arbitration, will apply as changed in SI 16.3 herein. Appendices T2 and T3 do not apply. This changes NOR 1.3
- 1.5 RRS 32 will be changed to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.6 RRS 33b will apply by authorization of the ISCYRA International Governing Committee; leg length may be changed within the parameters of the Format being sailed.
- 1.7 RRS 35 and RRS A5 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored "Did Not Finish".
- 1.8 STCR 35.5 changes RRS 44.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.9 RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress on the last day of racing.
- 1.10 While racing, boats shall display bow numbers. The OA will supply the numbers. Competitors are responsible for maintaining their bow numbers visible on both sides of the bow. A breach of this SI may be subject to a [DP] by the Protest Committee.



- 1.12 The penalty for breaches of Class Rules will be a [DP] as determined by the Protest Committee.

2 Venue

The Race Office (RO) will be located at the TRYC Club Office first floor. The Official Notice Board (ONB) will be located on a white board outside club office on first floor

3 Notices to Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) and on the regatta website.

Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1

- 3.2 In accordance with STCR 31.2.6, the Race Committee (RC) may broadcast race information on VHF channel 72 before and during each race. [NP]. Failure of such information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress, except when a request for redress under this instruction is initiated by the RC or the Protest Committee. This change is added to RRS 62.1.

4 Team Weight

- 4.1 Teams must comply with STCR 31.1.3 at all times.
4.2 All teams must demonstrate compliance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to the end of measurement, per SI 7.1.

5 Changes in the Sailing Instructions

- 5.1 Any change to the SI will be approved by the Principal Race Officer (PRO) and/or Protest Committee Chair, and will be posted by 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
5.2 Any change to the SI will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) and on the regatta website. Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1

6 Signals Made Ashore

- 6.1 Signals made ashore, including the signal for the day's sailing venue, will be displayed on the flagpole at the TRYC Clubhouse. The display or removal of signals will be announced by sound signal and may be broadcast on the race committee channel, VHF 72. Failure to announce or broadcast will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
6.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than sixty (60) minutes' in Race Signal AP.



- 6.3 The RC may broadcast its intent for the day's racing at 09.30 daily on the RC channel, VHF 72. Failure to announce or broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

7 Schedule

7.1

Monday, September 9	12.00 – 18.00 hrs.	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In
Tuesday, September 10	10.00 – 17.30 hrs. 13.00 hrs. 18.00 hrs.	Registration, Inspection of boats, Team Weigh-In Practice Race Opening Ceremony/Skippers Meeting (dress code: Blazer)
Wednesday, September 11	12.00 hrs. After Racing	Warning Signal 1. Race (2 races scheduled) <u>Social hour with snacks and beer</u>
Thursday, September 12	12.00 hrs. 18.30 hrs	Warning Signal 3. Race (2 races scheduled) Dinner
Friday, September 13	12.00 hrs. After Racing	Warning Signal 5. Race (2 races scheduled) Social hour with snacks and beer
Saturday, September 14	12.00 hrs. 15.00 hrs. After Racing	Warning Signal 7. Race (2 races scheduled) Latest time for last Warning Signal Awards Ceremony - TRYC POOL

- 7.2 Per STCR 27, eight (8) races are scheduled.
- 7.3 The RC may change the schedule. Number of races per day may be sailed, per the Format being sailed, in STCR 34.3.7, and only if the Regatta becomes behind schedule.
- 7.4 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1200. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1300.
- 7.5 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 7.6 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Saturday, September 14.

8 Class Flag

The Class Flag will be a white flag with a red star.

9 Racing Area

- 9.1 The racing areas will be in as described in ATTACHMENT ALPHA.

10 Courses



- 10.1 Course “0”, Course “1”, Course “2” (by approval of the ISCYRA Continental Committee), Course “3”, or Course “4”, STCR 34.3, consistent with the Format being sailed, STCR 34.3.7, will be used. The RC signal boat at the starboard end will display the appropriate numeral pennant to indicate the course prior to or with the warning signal.
- 10.2 The approximate compass bearing from Mark 3 (or Marks 3S and 3P) to Mark 1 will be displayed on the RC signal boat at the starboard end prior to or with the warning signal.

11 Marks

- 11.1 Mark 1 (Windward) will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 11.2 Mark 2 (Gybe, if used) and Mark 3 (Leeward Gate) will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 11.3 For Courses “2”, “3”, and “4”, Mark 2 (offset) will be an orange ball.
- 11.4 At the mark beginning a downwind leg for courses “0”, and “1”, Mark 2 (offset) will be an orange ball.
- 11.5 The starting marks will be the RC signal boat displaying an orange flag at the starboard end, and port pin end boat displaying an orange flag or an orange cylinder.
- 11.6 The finishing marks will be a race committee boat displaying an orange flag and an orange ball to the RC boat’s starboard side.
- 11.7 Change marks are orange tetrahedrons.

12 Check-in [DP][NP]

Prior to the first warning signal of the first race of the day, boats shall sail on Starboard Tack by the stern of the RC starboard-end boat displaying flag L, to be recorded.

13 The Start

- 13.1 The starting lines will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the RC starboard pin- end boat and between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC port pin-end boat or the course side of an orange cylinder.
- 13.2 The RC will attempt to hail boats subject to RRS 29.1, Individual Recall, 30.3 (UFD) or 30.4 (BFD) on VHF Channel 72, and identify boats using either sail or bow numbers. (SI 27.3)
- 13.3 A boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after the starting signal will be scored “Did Not Start”(DNS), without a hearing. (STCR 34.7) This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 13.4 A RC service/mark boat displaying code flag G may pass to windward of the fleet in the event of abandonment, postponement or general recall which means, “The RC has signaled an abandonment, postponement or general recall. Boats shall return to the starting area immediately.”



- 13.5 An RC service/mark boat positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify any OCS, UFD, or BFD boats by displaying X flag for OCS, UFD, or BFD boats and displaying their bow numbers. This changes Race Signals. Boats so notified shall leave the race course immediately. [NP] [DP].
- 14 Changing the Next Leg of the Course**
- 14.1 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 practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 14.2 In addition to signaling the change from a RC service/mark boat, the RC will attempt to announce the change on VHF Channel 72 as boats approach the RC service/mark boat signaling the change. (SI 27.3)
- 15 The Finish**
- The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard side of a RC finishing boat and an orange ball.
- 16 Penalty System**
- 16.1 RRS 44.1 is changed to replace “Two Turns Penalty” with “One Turn Penalty”, as defined in RRS 44.2. (STCR 35.5)
- 16.2 In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final. US Sailing’s permission has been granted. If the requirements shown on <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/rules-officiating/appeals/no-appeal-rule-70-5-procedures-2/> are not met, the decisions of the protest committee may be appealed.
- 16.3 RRS Appendix T Arbitration: T1 (b) is changed to read;
(b) A Post-Race Penalty is a Scoring Penalty equal to 30% of the score for DNF, or 50 % of the difference between the boat’s finishing position in the race and the score for DNF, whichever is less. The Scoring Penalty is calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.
- 17 Time Limits**
- 17.1 The time limits will be as specified in STCR 34.3.7, for the Format being sailed in the Regatta.
- 17.2 Boats finishing more than 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored “Did Not Finish” (DNF), without a hearing. (STCR 34.6.3) This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
- 18 Protests and Requests for Redress**
- 18.1 Protest forms are available at the Jury desk, in the TRYC Club Office or in the Chartroom . Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.



- 18.2 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the signal boat has docked or the RC signals 'no more racing today', whichever is later.
- 18.3 Notices will be posted on the ONB no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Jury room, located in the Chart Room on the first Floor of the TRYC. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of the protest time limit. All persons involved in the hearing shall remain in the vicinity of the Jury room.
- 18.4 Notices of protests by the RC, Technical Committee (TC) or Protest Committee will be posted on the ONB to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.5 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 and 66.

19 Scoring:

- 19.1 Four (4) races shall be completed to constitute the Championship, in accordance with STCR 27.
- 19.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded when more than four (4) races are completed.
- 19.3 There will be a Master's division and a Grand Master's division. Entrants in these divisions also will be competing for the overall Championship. (see SI 28.3.)
- 19.4 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring inquiry form available at the Jury desk.

20 Liability and Safety:

- 20.1 The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 20.2 Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the RC or the RACE OFFICE as soon as possible. [DP]
- 20.3 Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the race office. [DP]

21 Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 21.1 Any request for a change of crew shall be submitted to the RC in writing prior to 0900 on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the RC grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the official notice board. [DP]
- 21.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.
- 21.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the TC.



- 21.4 Requests for substitution shall be made to the RC or TC at the first reasonable opportunity. [DP]
- 22 Event Advertising**
Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the OA. World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. [NP] [DP]
- 23 Official Boats**
- 23.1 Official boats will be marked as follows:
Race Committee Signal Boat: "RC flag"
Service/Mark boats: White flag with blue letters with patrol number
Jury boats: White flag with Jury or code flag J
- 23.2 Service/Mark boats may be stationed beyond each mark. At the finish, the mark boat may be stationed near the finishing line. When on station only, each mark boats will display 'a large visible flag or shape'. Failure of a mark boats to be on station or to display her signal will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 24 Support Boats [DP]**
- 24.1 Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats are expected to monitor VHF channel 72 and to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the RC or Jury.
- 24.2 Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished racing, except as provided in SI 24.1.
- 24.3 A boat shall receive no outside assistance from coach boats, support boats or private spectator boats once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the OA and available to all participants.
- 24.4 Coach and support boats associated with a competitor shall register in the RO. Identification flags will be issued to each boat and all such boats should monitor VHF channel 72.
- 25 Haul out Restrictions [DP]**
All boats shall be kept at their assigned locations at Tom's River Yacht Club from registration until the end of the Championship. Boats shall comply with the docking and haul-out plan promulgated by the OA or the RC.
- 26 Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools [DP]**
Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the Championship.



27 Radio Communication

- 27.1 Per STCR 31.2.6, competitors may carry a VHF radio for safety purposes and RC communication.
- 27.2 Except in an emergency or to inform the RC of retirement, a boat racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]
- 27.3 The RC may use VHF channel 72 for communication with competitors, including announcements of OCS boats. Failure of the RC to announce, the timing of any announcement, or the order in which the announcement details are made shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 27.4 Information gathered on any other VHF channel or RC communication channel shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

28 Prizes:

- 28.1 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.
- 28.2 Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.
- 28.3 Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the series for skippers aged 50 through 59 before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Master's Division also will compete for series prizes. (SI 19.3).
- 28.4 Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the Series for skippers aged 60 or over before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Grand Master's Division also will compete for series prizes. (SI 19.3).
- 28.5 Daily Prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 28.6 A complete list of Trophies to be presented during the Star World Championship will be published on the Official Notice Board.

29 Disclaimer of Liability:

Competitors participate in the 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.

30 Insurance

Boats sailing in this regatta (each 'person in charge' per RRS 46) must be adequately insured and shall hold a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third party liability for racing risks, per NOR 19.



31 Media Rights

By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the OA and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

Attachments:

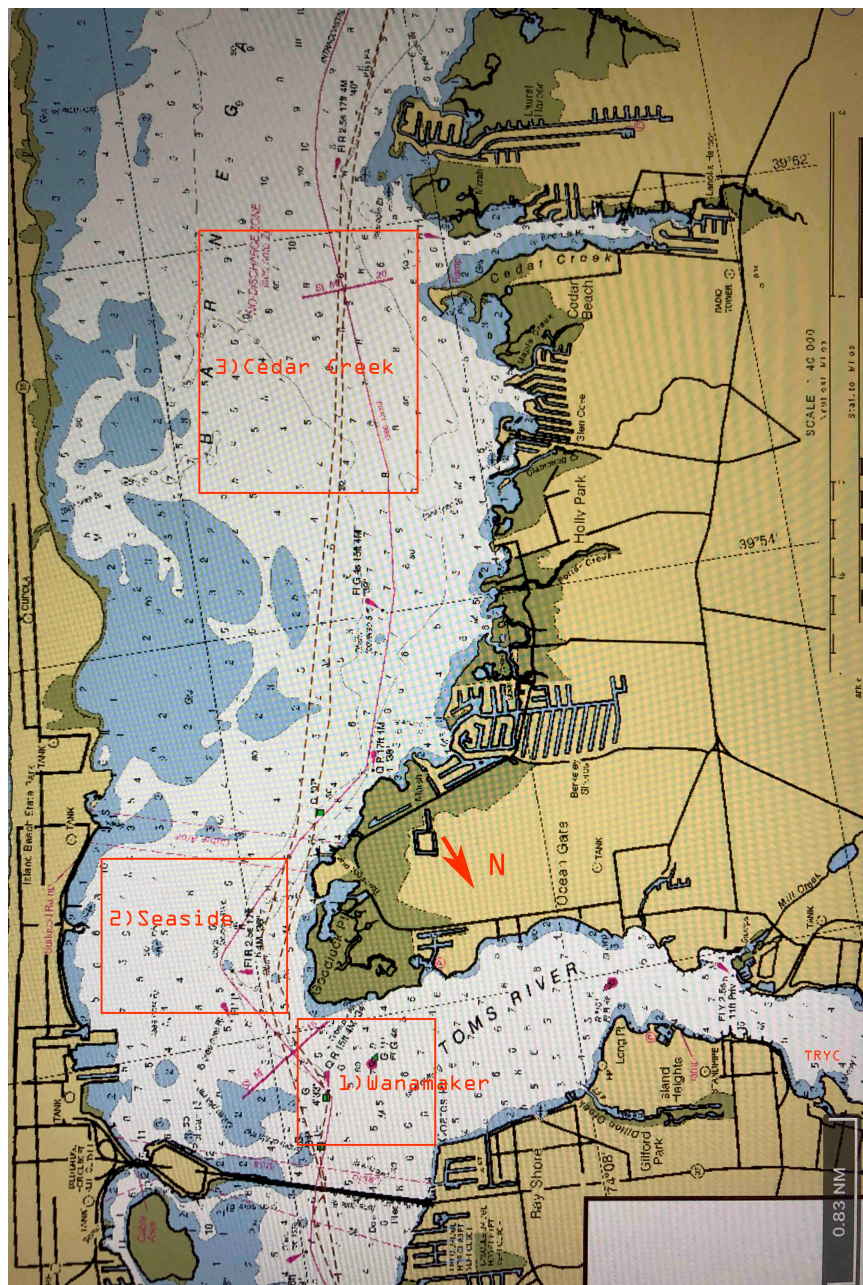
- 1: ALPHA – Harbor location and Racing area(s);
- 2: BRAVO – USSAILING Prescriptions;
- 3: CHARLIE - Bow numbers and Sponsors Decals
- 4: DELTA – On Water Emergency Procedures



ATTACHMENT ALPHA-

Race Areas (below) will be signaled on the TRYC Flagpole prior to 1000 each racing day as:

Course 1 Wanamaker, Course 2 Seaside, Course 3 Cedar Creek .





ATTACHMENT BRAVO

RRS 60.3: Right to Protest; Right to request Redress or RULE 69 Action:

US Sailing prescribes that rule 60.3(b) is changed to: (b) request redress for a boat or call a hearing to consider redress; or

RRS 61.4: Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

RRS 67: DAMAGES

US Sailing prescribes that:

- a. A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- b. A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- c. A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by these rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

RRS 76.1: Exclusions Of Boats Or Competitors

US Sailing prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.

APPENDIX R: Procedures for Appeals and Requests:

To be made available by request and/or posted on the ONB.



ATTACHMENT CHARLIE-

Bow numbers and Sponsors Decals are being provided and must be attached on each side. A diagram will be available at Registration and posted on the ONB. [DP]

ATTACHMENT DELTA

TBD