

Little Egg Harbor Yacht Club
Beach Haven NJ

2018 Sailing Instructions

1 Rules

1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 2020 and the class rules of the boats competing.

2 Notices to Competitors

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice boards at the Clubhouse and at the North Dock building.

3 Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 am on the day it will take effect, or will be announced on the race course.

4 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff at the foot of the North Dock.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 1 hour' in the Race Signals AP.

5 Schedule of Races

5.1 The racing schedule is shown in the LEHYC Calendar. The warning signal will sound at 1330 every Saturday race day.

6 Class Flags

6.1 Class flags are as follows:

Class	Flag
E Scow	"E" or class flag
B Catboat	"B", class flag, or Green flag with sailboat

7 Racing Area

7.1 Racing will be on Little Egg Harbor, about 1 1/2 miles northwest of the Clubhouse.

8 Courses

8.1 Courses will generally be windward/leeward, but may be otherwise described by the Race Committee on the water. Marks will be left to port, and the gate passed between the gate marks from windward and either mark rounded.

8.2 A course board displayed at the transom of the committee boat will show the class sailing ("E" for Class E Scows, "B" for Sanderling Catboats), the number of **legs** in the course, "W" for windward leeward course, and the magnetic degrees to the windward mark.
8.3 If the course is around permanent marks, the mark identifiers (a letter "A" through "H", and "X") will be displayed in the order of rounding. Marks are to be left to port.
8.4 If the windward/leeward course finishes to leeward, the finishing line is between the gate marks. The committee boat nearby, displaying a blue flag, and is there only to record the finish, and is not a mark.
8.5 If the course includes reaches, an "R" will replace the "W" on the course board.

9 Marks

9.1 The windward mark will be a yellow tetrahedron with a yellow cylinder offset for E Scows. The windward mark will an orange tetrahedron with an orange cylinder offset for B Cats.
9.2 The leeward gate marks will be orange cylinders for the B Cats and yellow tetrahedrons for the E Scows, with the yellow marks set just above the starting line, and the orange marks set to windward of the yellow marks. If the B Cats are sailing a triangle the windward mark will be an orange cylinder and the reach mark will be an orange cylinder. There will be no offset for a triangle course.
9.3 The starting line pin will be smaller marks - all boats will round the yellow or orange offset mark at the windward mark.
9.4 The mark at the starboard end of the starting line will be a committee boat. The mark at one end of the finishing line (except for B Cats) will, too, be a committee boat, unless the finishing line is the gate. (The "cowcatcher", if attached to the stern of the committee boat, is not a permanent part of the boat, so hitting it does not require any penalty turns.)

10 The Start

10.1 Races will be started under Rule 26, with the following addition: for the first class to start each day an orange flag will be displayed, with two sounds, five minutes before the warning signal.
10.2 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the mark at the starboard end of the line, and the mark at the port end of the line.
10.3 Any boat starting later than four minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes Rule A4.

11 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the original mark will be moved to the new position. The next legs of the course will be conformed to the new course without signal.

12 The Finish

12.1 The finishing line, if finishing to windward, is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end of the line mark, and the mark at the other end of the line (FOR E SCOWS ONLY).If the committee boat can't anchor they will use the yellow windward mark plus offset to establish the line. The committee boat will fly a blue flag and will take the finishes but will not be anchored. For B Cats the windward finish line will be between the windward mark (orange tetrahedron) and the offset mark (orange cylinder). The Race

Committee boat will be flying a blue flag and will be taking the finishes. If there is a triangle course with a windward finish the finish line will be between the two orange marks with a race committee boat taking the finishes. The race committee boat will be flying a blue flag and will not be anchored.
12.2 If finishing to leeward, the finishing line is the gate. The Race Committee boat nearby is recording the finish, and is not a mark of the finishing line.

13 Penalty System and Scoring
13.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
13.2 For every 5 races sailed for e scows there will be one throw out. For B Cats there will be one throw out for every 4 races sailed.
13.3 For trophy races the best total score for the three races sailed (or the number sailed if less then three races sailed) for e scows will be the winner. For the B Cats the winner of the first race will win the trophy
13.4 Scoring will be the low point system.

14 Time Limits
14.1 Boats failing to finish within twenty minutes after the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored DNF. This changes Rules 35 and A4.

15 Protests and Requests for Redress
15.1 Competitors with protest in mind are encouraged to come to the Race Committee boat after the racing is completed to discuss any protest with the boat protested, any other interested sailor, and a race committee representative. If the matter cannot be understood and reasonably settled by discussion, the boat protesting has until 1000 hours the next day to file a formal protest. Papers for filing the protest are available from the Race Committee.

16 Radio Communication
16.1 The Race Committee will communicate course, change of course, elements of the starting sequence, safety matters, and general information on channel 66. Competitors are encouraged to listen on this channel, and to communicate with the committee if there is any confusion about what the Race Committee intends, or if safety is an issue.

17 Trophies
17.1 The prizes and trophies for the season will be awarded at the Club's annual Awards Ceremony on Labor Day weekend.

6/19/18 Jeff Condon and Jim Stevens, PRO/Co-chairs


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