

***2018 US ALBACORE ASSOCIATION
North American Sailing Championship
October 6-8, 2018***

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2017-2020 and these Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES:

See the NOR

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

Notices to competitors will be posted in the clubhouse.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE and ON THE WATER:

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole in front of the clubhouse. If a postponement (AP) is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered. Signals such as designating a racing area, choice of sound-signal starting system, or number of races may be given on the water by displaying flag L with one sound.

5. SCHEDULE:

The warning signal for the first race will be at 1200 on Saturday, 1100 on Sunday and 1000 on Monday. No warning signal will be given after 1400 on Monday, October 8th.

6. CLASS FLAGS:

The class flag will show the class insignia or as described at the Skipper's Meeting.

7. THE COURSES:

7.1 **Location:** The location of the racing area will be selected by the Race Committee for each race day depending on weather conditions.

7.2 **Start and Finish:** The start line will be to leeward of the leeward turning mark. The start line will be between the yellow or orange flag on the RC signal boat and a mark laid to its port side. The finish line will be to port of the leeward mark (sailing downwind), between the yellow or orange flag and a mark laid to the Starboard side of the RC signal boat. In the event the course is shortened, the finish line will be between the "S" flag and a nearby mark on the course.

7.3 **Course Designation:** The diagrams in Appendix below show the courses, 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. Note: The Leeward Mark is not a mark of the course on the first windward leg after the start.

- A Windward/Leeward course will be indicated by the Race Committee displaying International Code Flag for the letter "W".
- An Olympic course will be indicated by the Race Committee displaying International Code Flag for the letter "O."

- A Triangle course will be indicated by the Race Committee displaying International Code Flag for the letter “T.”

7.4 Required Side: All turning marks will be left to port.

7.5 Course Configuration: The Appendix shows mark configuration and possible courses.

7.6 Marks: Turning marks are orange cylinders and change of course marks is a tetrahedron. Mark types may be changed at the skippers meeting, if necessary.

8. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 90 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat that sails the course finishes will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35.

9. PROTESTS

Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the Race Committee within one hour after the race committee signal boat docks. Competitors intending to file a protest or request for redress shall advise the Race Committee as soon as practicable after finishing. The protest time limit and a list of protests and requests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day in the clubhouse boardroom.

10. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, but does not apply to any communication received or transmitted to request or render assistance to a vessel in distress.

11. SCORING: See the NOR.

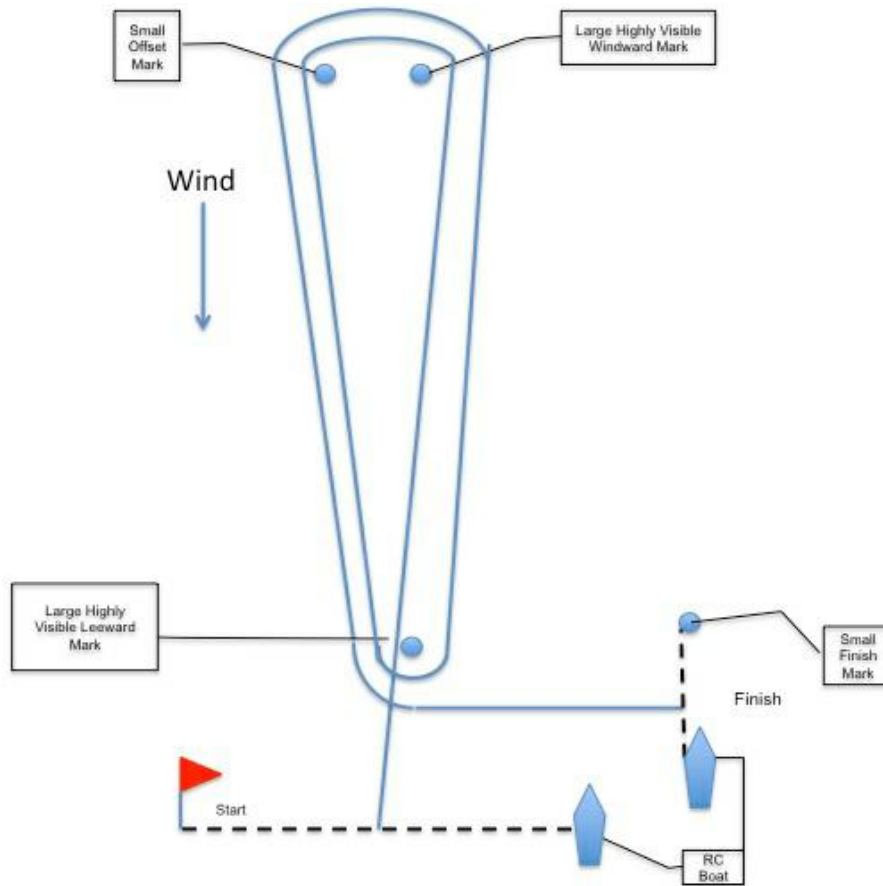
12. PRIZES: See the NOR.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, “Decision to Race”, and Registration form. 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.

APPENDIX: MARK CONFIGURATIONS AND POSSIBLE COURSES

"W" Course



"O" Course

