

**2019 VIPER 640 Noroton Open  
Noroton Yacht Club  
Supplementary Sailing Instructions**

As stated in the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, supplemented by these Supplementary Sailing Instructions:

**1. Schedule of Races.**

**Saturday, October 19, 2019:**

Competitors Meeting: 1045

Harbor Start: 1115

Warning Signal, First Race: 1200

The Race Committee intends to run as many races as conditions permit. When Code Flag “A” is flying at the finish of a race that indicates “No more racing today.”

**Sunday, September 8, 2019:**

Warning Signal First Race: 1000

The Race Committee intends to run as many races as conditions permit. When Code Flag “A” is flying at the finish of a race that indicates “No more racing today.”

No race will be started after 1530.

**2. The Location of Race Office; Official Notice Board and Flag Pole.**

2.1 The Official Notice Board will be located in the Noroton Yacht Club (“NYC”) Breezeway.

2.2 On Saturday and Sunday afternoon during the Protest Period the Jury Secretary will be available at a table in the general vicinity of the Official Protest Board to accept Protests.

2.3 The Flag Pole is located immediately in front of the NYC breezeway on the shore side.

2.4 The location and time of arbitrations and protest hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board promptly following confirmation to the Jury Secretary of actual notice to the protested yacht of the filing of the Protest.

### 3. **The Marks**

- 3.1 Original Marks will be large orange tetrahedrons.
- 3.2 Mark 1A (the Offset Mark) at Mark 1 will be a small yellow tetrahedron.
- 3.2 Change marks will be large green tetrahedrons.
- 3.3 In the event that a weather mark is changed, there will not be an offset mark.
- 3.4 In the event that a mark of the course is a gate and one gate mark is missing, round the remaining mark to port.

### 4. **The Start:**

4.1 The Start will be between an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat and either (a) a small orange tetrahedron or (b) an orange flag displayed on another race committee vessel.

4.2 The Race Committee will announce the imminent start of a sequence with multiple sound signals prior to the Warning Signal. The Race Committee may use VHF channel 69 to count down the last ten seconds before the Warning Signal, Preparatory Signal or Starting Signal.

4.3 The Race Committee will attempt to hail boats on the course side of a start via VHF channel 69 or loud hailer. The failure of the Race Committee to do so, or the failure of a competitor to hear such a hail, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

4.4 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

5. **Finish:** The Finish will be between an orange flag displayed on the signal boat and either (a) a small green tetrahedron or (b) an orange flag displayed on another race committee vessel.

6. **Class Flag:** The Class Flag used as the Warning Signal will consist of the Viper Class Insignia on a white background.

### 7. **Checking In**

Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat and hail her sail number and state the number of persons on board until acknowledged by the Race Committee by repeating the boat's number and number of its crew. A boat failing to do so shall be given a 20% scoring penalty for that race without a hearing, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

## 8. Radios

All boats are required to carry a VHF Radio and to monitor Channel 69 following the preparatory signal and during the starting sequence of each race of the series. Competitors are also requested to monitor Channel 69 as the last boats finish a race because the Race Committee intends to advise the Fleet as to its intentions regarding the time of the start of the next race. It is the intention of the Race Committee, subject to conditions on the course, to minimize the time between races.

9. **Courses:** The course (as described in RRS Appendix S) and the range and bearing to the weather mark will be displayed on two boards located at the stern of the Signal Boat. (The Race Committee is inclined to employ Course LA2 circumstances permitting for all races of both days with the possible exception of the last race. Course LA2 is a windward/leeward course with two windward legs and a downwind finish. Depending upon the conditions, the last race of the day may be WA3, which is a windward/leeward course with two runs followed by a third windward leg to the Finish.

## 10. Time Limits:

If the first boat does not pass Mark 1 within 30 minutes or sail the course within 90 minutes the race will be abandoned.

Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (“TLE”) without a hearing and will be scored two (2) more points than the last boat to sail the course and therefore finish. This modifies RRS 35 and Appendix A4, A5, and A11.

## 11. Penalties

### 10.1 Penalties at the Time of the Incident

The penalties are as follows: The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns penalty.”

### 10.2 Post-Race Penalties

(a) Provided that rule 44.1(b) does not apply, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident may take a Post-Race Penalty at any time after the race until the beginning of a protest hearing involving the incident.

(b) A Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies.

(c) A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by delivering to the arbitrator or a member of the protest committee a written statement that she accepts the penalty and that identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.



## 12. **Protests**

11.1 A boat shall inform a race committee finish boat immediately after finishing of its intention to protest another boat and provide the sail number of the protested boat. This changes RRS 61.

11.2 Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

11.3 On Saturday and Sunday afternoon during the Protest Period the Jury Secretary will be available at a table in the general vicinity of the Official Protest Board to accept the filing of Protests .

11.4 The time and place of both arbitrations and protest hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board promptly following confirmation that the Protestee has received actual notice of the Protest.

11.5 It is the primary obligation of the protesting yacht to provide actual notice of its filing of a protest to the yacht it is protesting, together with a copy of its protest form.

11.6 The protesting yacht will timely advise the jury secretary when it has provided actual notice of the filing of its protest to the yacht it has protested.

11.5 Competitors involved in Protests are requested to stay in close contact with the Jury Secretary, who will be at the Jury Table when not temporarily absent to communicate with the Jury or Parties, to facilitate the efficient resolution of protests, if any.

## 11. **Medical Emergencies**

In the event of a medical emergency, Competitors are encouraged to notify the Race Committee Signal Boat so that the Noroton Yacht Club Emergency Medical Plan can then be implemented.

