

**Greater NY Dinghy Regatta  
Fordham/Columbia: April 22-23  
Sailing Instructions**

**1. RULES**

1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 2013-2016 version of the Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of US SAILING; the Procedural Rules and Class Rules for ICSA 2013-2016; except as any of these are modified by these sailing instructions.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located outside the locker rooms at Morris Yacht and Beach Club

**3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

3.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally by the Race Committee and, when possible, posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

**4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT**

4.1 Boats will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way, except that competitors may adjust lines and controls normally adjustable.

4.2 The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.

4.3 Mainsheet may be rigged with a 3:1 or 4:1 purchase.

4.4 The penalty for infringing the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these sailing instructions.

4.5 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the boat repair committee immediately after arriving ashore or to the Race Committee on the water. The penalty for infringing this instruction, unless the Jury is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

**5. FORMAT**

5.1 The regatta format will be a single round robin as per ICSA PR 22.

**6. ROTATION**

6.1 The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet available on tech score. Boat exchanges will occur at either the main dock or the floating docks by the boatlift depending on the breeze direction. The intended location will be announced at the skippers meeting

**7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Saturday	0900	Report Time
	0915	Competitors' Meeting with harbor start to follow immediately

Sunday	0900	Report Time
	0930	Harbor Start
	1500	No Starting Signal After

**8. RACING AREA**

8.1 The Racing area will be announced at the Competitor's meeting

**9. WIND STRENGTH MINIMUM**

9.1 Races should not be started unless the Race Committee is satisfied that the wind strength in the starting area, and to the best of its belief on the rest of the course, is in excess of an average of three knots (3.45 mph) for a reasonable period before the start as measured using instrumentation and while not moving over the bottom or anchored.

**10. THE COURSE**

10.1 It is the intent of the race committee to run W4s, but W3s or W5s may be run if necessary to expedite rotations

- 10.2 If necessary, the race committee will run a triangle windward leeward where the pin end of the starting line is the leeward mark
- 10.3 In the case of the W3/W5, the finish line shall be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the windward mark
- 10.4 Rounding marks will be orange balls

**11. START/FINISH**

- 11.1 Races will be started in accordance with PR Appendix C.
- 11.2 The start line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and an orange ball to port.
- 11.3 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and an orange ball to port.
- 11.4 If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

**12. RECALLS**

- 12.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1 and PR 18 (B)(ii). The Race Committee will attempt to hail the boat(s) sail number(s); however, it is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start. Failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for granting redress.
- 12.2 Multiple horns or whistles and the hail of the words "general recall" will signal a general recall. After a general recall, the "round-the-end" provision RRS 30.1 and PR 18(B)(iii) will be in effect, with or without the display of code flag "I".

**13. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START**

- 13.1 Any mark of the course may be moved in accordance with PR 18(C)(i).

**14. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES**

- 14.1 Penalties for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 will be in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 14.2 All penalties shall be reported to the Race Committee Finish Boat promptly after finishing.

**15. PROTESTS**

- 15.1 Protests shall be filed in accordance with the PR 29.
- 15.2 Written protests, including requests for redress and breakdowns, must be filed within 20 minutes of reaching the shore after the race in which the incident occurred, this changes PR 30.

**16. SCORING**

- 16.1 In accordance with PR 23 and 24.

**17. COACHING**

- 17.1 In accordance with PR 19. A coach boat may be provided as described at the competitors' meeting.

**18. SAFETY**

- 19.1 All competitors must wear USCG approved Type III PFD's when afloat.
- 19.2 A boat requesting assistance from support boats should signal by waving hands overhead.
- 19.3 A capsized boat may be righted and sailed by its crew, unless, in the sole judgment of the Race Committee, safety or the progress of the regatta would be affected, in which case the crew shall accept assistance, and the boat will be scored 'DNF.'
- 19.4 Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.
- 19.5 A boat that retires is asked to notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area, or immediately upon arriving ashore.
- 19.6 If the safety of the boat, and or crew is in jeopardy, or the progress of the regatta is affected, the race committee may require that assistance be accepted. A boat that refuses such assistance will be disqualified.