



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

To be sailed SATURDAY 11 MAY 2019

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2017-2020 US SAILING PRESCRIPTIONS, and WORLD SAILING Offshore Special Regulations (OSR) 2017-2020 except as altered by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. US SAILING Prescription to the RRS Appendix V Rule V2 is modified to read: "After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 20% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) if taken before the protest time limit expires. Otherwise a 30% Scoring Penalty shall apply, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun.
- 1.3. Appendix T will apply.
- 1.4. Appendix T1.b is modified to read: "A Post-Race Penalty is a 20% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) if taken before the protest time limit expires. Otherwise, a Post-Race Penalty is a 30% Scoring Penalty calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rule 44.1(a) applies."
- 1.5. Rule 52 (Manual Power) is suspended for double or single-handed entries in the ORC Club Spinnaker Class when clear of the start / finish areas in both races. This changes Rule 52.
- 1.6. All skippers are reminded to review RRS 4: Decision to Race and the Rules of Part 2: When Boats Meet.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be e-mailed to all competitors e-mail address as entered at registration on RegattaNetwork.
- 2.2. Notices to competitors will be announced at the official regatta party Friday 10 May located at Captain Ken's Port 'O Call, Freeport TX.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any written change to the sailing instructions will be announced at the official regatta party Friday 10 May located at Captain Ken's Port 'O Call, Freeport TX.
- 3.2. Verbal changes may be made on the water and shall be communicated to each boat by VHF before her warning signal.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from a staff secured to the front of the Freeport Municipal Marina office in Freeport TX
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. No warning signal before 8:00 a.m. The starting sequence will be as described in section 6 below.
- 5.2. Each class will sail a single race

6. CLASS FLAGS and STARTING SEQUENCE

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|-------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 6.1. FIRST START | ORC CLUB SPINNAKER: | Blue |
| 6.2. SECOND START | PHRF NON-SPINNAKER: | Brown |
| 6.3. THIRD START | B&B CLASS: | Pink |

7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. Addendum A shows the location of the racing areas.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The diagrams in the Course Option Illustrations show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be



passed. All marks are to be left to port.

8.2. HYC BIMINI'S N' BARBECUE'S (B&B) CLASS

8.2.1. The course will be 42.1 NM between the Freeport jetties starting area, the Galveston 5A Marker (Mark "F"), and the Bolivar Roads Marker 11 (Mark "G").

8.3. PHRF NON-SPINNAKER AND ORC CLUB SPINNAKER CLASSES

8.3.1. For the PHRF and ORC classes there are three course options. These options are numbered 1 – 3 and will be signaled by a numeric flag no later than the warning signal for the class.

Course Option 1					
From	To	Description	Leave mark to:	Distance	Bearing
Starting area	A	Freeport Outer Buoy "Fp",Mo	Port	4.0	145°
A	B	TABS Buoy B	Port	18.6	70°
B	F	GA 5a	Port	23.5	28°
F	G	GA 11 finish line		3.0	
Total distance:				49.1	

Course Option 2					
From	To	Description	Leave mark to:	Distance	Bearing
Starting area	A	Freeport Outer Buoy "Fp",Mo	Port	4.0	145°
A	B	TABS Buoy B	Port	18.6	70°
B	D	High Island 179A AWOS (Apache Corp)	Port	23.2	60°
D	F	GA 5a	Port	12.3	315°
F	G	GA 11 finish line		3.0	
Total distance:				61.1	

Course Option 3					
From	To	Description	Leave mark to:	Distance	Bearing
Starting area	B	TABS Buoy B	Port	20.5	80°
B	F	GA 5a	Port	23.3	30°
F	G	GA 11 finish line		3.0	
Total distance:				46.8	

9. MARKS

9.1. The starting pin will be an orange floating object.

9.2. The finish pin will be mark G (GA 11) described below.

The Marks...	Lat/Lon hddd°mm.mmm'	Lat/Lon hddd°mm'ss.s"
A Freeport Outer Buoy "Fp",Mo	N28 52.628 W95 14.140	N28 52 37.7 W95 14 08.4
B TABS Buoy B	N28 58.938 W94 53.943	N28 58 56.0 W94 53 56.0
C Buckaneer GA 288 C	N28 53.648 W94 42.263	N28 53 38.9 W94 42 15.8
D Station KXIH - High Island 179A AWOS (Apache Corp)	N29 10.800 W94 31.267	N29 10 48.0 W94 31 16.0
E Heald Bank Rig MEHI-H1199-A	N29 08.018 W94 11.758	N29 08 01.1 W94 11 45.5
F GA 5a,Iso G 6s 30ft 6m Ra Ref	N29 19.639 W94 41.264	N29 19 38.3 W94 41 15.8
G GA 11 FI G 2.5S	N29 20.556 W94 44.462	N29 20 33.4 W94 44 27.7

10. THE START

- 10.1. PHRF and ORC races will be started per RRS rule 26.
- 10.2. All B&B Class Club Handicap racers are invited to start at a time of their choosing while their class flag is up. This class flag will be lowered after 30 minutes has elapsed from the time it was raised.
- 10.3. For ORC boats, the ORC Triple Number scoring option selected to describe the sailing conditions will be announced by the Race Committee via VHF (before the warning signal for that race) to each individual boat.
- 10.4. The starting line will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the starting pin.
- 10.5. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.6. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.7. Official time is GPS time

11. THE FINISH

- 11.1. The finish line will be between an orange banner on the official signal vehicle on the beach (approximate bearing = 215 °) and the course side of the finish pin.
- 11.2. Please attempt to hail the race committee via VHF to alert them to your presence at the mark.
- 11.3. If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to the rest of the fleet (as best as she can determine), to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

**The starting area****12. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 12.1. US SAILING Prescription to the RRS Appendix V Rules V1 and V2 will apply.
- 12.2. US SAILING Prescription to the RRS Appendix V Rule V2 is modified to read: "After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race office that identifies the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be a 20% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c) if taken before the protest time limit expires. Otherwise a 30% Scoring Penalty shall apply, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply, and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun.

13. TIME LIMITS

- 13.1. The race shall end at 0800 hours CDT, Sunday 12 May 2019, or when the last yacht finishes, whichever is earlier.
- 13.2. Yachts which have not finished at the expiration of the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1. Protest forms are found in Addendum C to these Sailing Instructions. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the HYC Office within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2. Competitors intending to file a protest must notify the race committee (by VHF or 832.428.0785) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 14.3. For each class, the protest deadline is 10:00 a.m. Sunday May 12.
 - 14.3.1. Should a competitor be unable to reach the HYC office before the protest deadline expires, a photograph of the front and back of the signed protest form will be accepted by the protest committee via e-mail. This email must be time-stamped before the time limit expires. If it is time stamped after the time limit has expired the protest will be found invalid. The signed original of the protest form must be turned in to the protest committee before any hearing can take place.
- 14.4. All notices will be posted on the HYC Official Notice board in the breezeway next to the HYC offices.
- 14.5. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the deadline to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 14.6. Hearings will be held in the protest room and time as posted by the protest committee.

14.7. Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

14.8. Appendix T will apply.

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15. SCORING

15.1. The Low-Point Scoring system, Appendix A, shall apply.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1. Prior to the first warning signal, each yacht shall check-in with the Race Committee. The procedure shall be to sail within line of sight of the Race Committee, hail on channel 68 and repeat your sail number, yacht name, and the number of crew on board until acknowledged by the R/C.

16.1.1. Skippers are encouraged to e-mail or text the team roster to the race committee in advance.

16.2. Any yacht that starts, and then retires or withdraws before finishing the race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF channel 68, cell phone (832.428.0785) or if that is not possible the Houston Yacht Club office (phone number 281.471.1255). Please do this...

17. COMMUNICATIONS

17.1. The official communications channel is VHF channel 68.

17.2. The Race Committee will also be available by telephone at 832.428.0785 (PRO) or 281.910.0942 (Chief Judge).

17.3. Email communications:

17.3.1. Protest Committee: jjgrills@gmail.com

17.3.2. Race Committee: billvanrav@gmail.com

17.4. While offshore, all yachts are encouraged to monitor channel 16 and to communicate potential hazards to other racers.

17.5. All yachts should also monitor VHF Channel 13 when in the vicinity of the Houston Ship Channel for commercial traffic concerns.

18. PRIZES

18.1. The Carroll Blanchard perpetual trophy will be awarded to the boat finishing first in the Spinnaker Class.

18.2. Trophies will be awarded based on final registration volumes.

18.3. Registrations received after the trophy order has been placed shall be awarded IOU's in place of the actual trophy.

18.4. The race committee shall deliver owed trophies at a mutually agreeable time and place at a later date.

18.5. Prizes will be awarded Sunday May 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the HYC main bar.

19. INSURANCE

19.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

20. USE OF ENGINES

20.1. Use of engines is prohibited except as permitted in section 1.5.

20.2. Engines may be used to charge batteries

20.3. Engines may be used in an emergency situation. After the emergency is resolved, competitors are to return to the closest point possible at which the engine was engaged and continue the race.

21. PROHIBITED EQUIPMENT

21.1. Use of a self-steering system is prohibited except as stated in section 1.5 above.

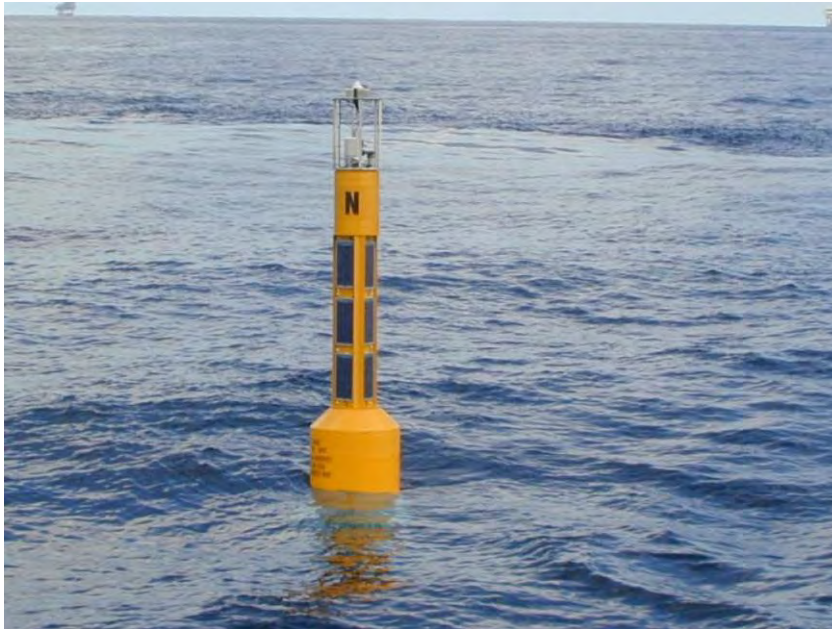
22. HANDICAPS

22.1. All PHRF Non-Spinnaker class yachts must be handicapped by PHRF Galveston Bay for 2019.

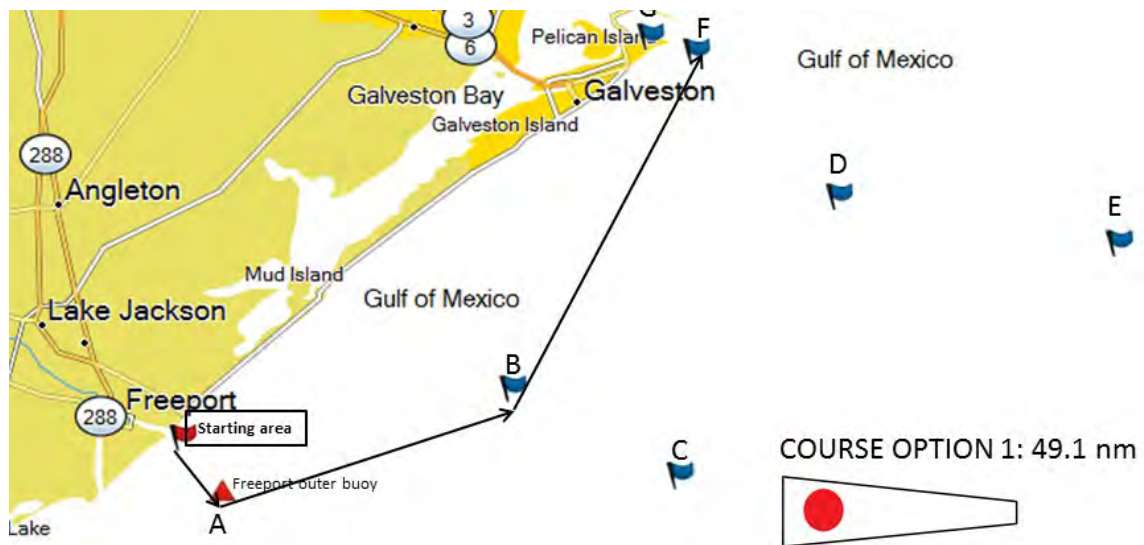
22.2. All ORC Club Spinnaker class yachts must have a current 2019 ORC certificate.

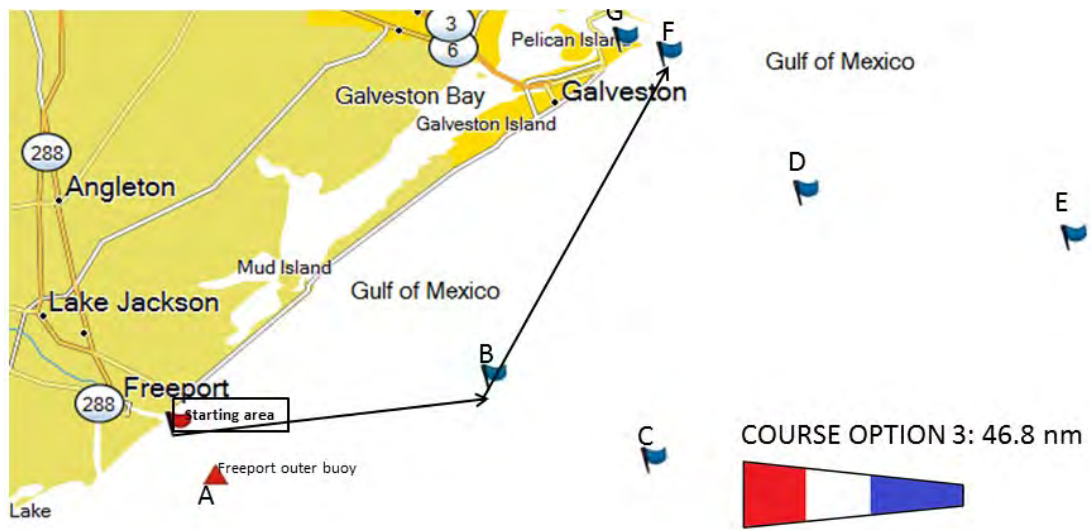
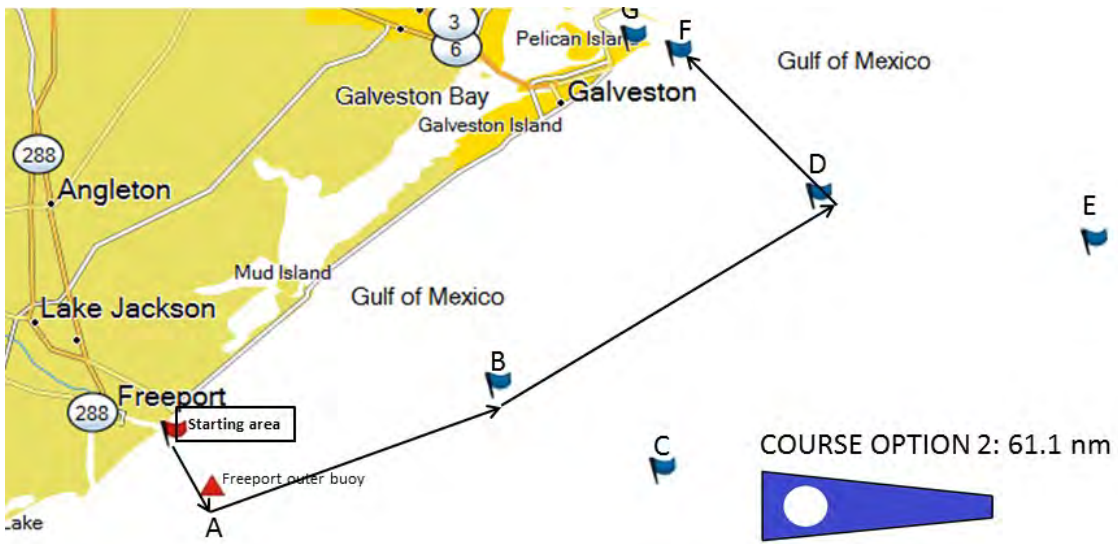
22.3. All HYC Club Handicap yachts shall be rated by the Race Committee.

MARK B: TABS BUOY B



COURSE OPTION ILLUSTRATIONS





ADDENDUM C: PROTEST FORM – NEXT PAGE

2019 HYC OFFSHORE REGATTA SCRATCH SHEET								
#	BOAT	MAKE	MODEL	SAIL #	SKIPPER	CLUB_NAME	HANDICAP	FLEET
1	Hi Yo Silver	custom	Ted Brewer KAIULANI	none	STEVEN FETHERSTON	HYC & BYC	223	PHRF Non- Spinnaker
2	Other Woman	Beneteau	Oceanis 400	1	Brantly Minor	GBCA	137	PHRF Non- Spinnaker
3	La Isla	C&C	sloop-shoal draft	3	kevin Somers	sea Star Base galveston	126	PHRF Non- Spinnaker
4	Gamble	Schock	Schock 40	36	Jason Seibert	Lakewood Yacht Club	1.1922	ORC Spinnaker
5	Second Star	J Boats	J/122	USA74	J.D. Hill	LYC	1.0808	ORC Spinnaker
6	Hamburg II	J/Boats	J46	51709	Albrecht Goethe	Lakewood Yacht Club	1.0049	ORC Spinnaker
7	Muse	Beneteau	First 45	None	Lamar Felder	HYC	0.9852	ORC Spinnaker
8	EDELWEISS	Hanse	Hanse 455 SD	455	Ted Greak	LYC	0.9667	ORC Spinnaker
9	Try Me	Corsiar	31R	148	Gregory Way	GBCA	-27	Non-trophy. Time only.
10	Morning Star	Schultz	Shannon 38	144	John Gross	HYC	229	HYC B&B Club Handicap Class
11	Nightwind	Hunter	Legend	Na	Calvin Holt	HYC	144	HYC B&B Club Handicap Class
12	Panamaria	Sabre	426	none	James Lattner	HYC	110	HYC B&B Club Handicap Class



Protest Form

also for requests for redress and reopening

Fill in and check as appropriate

Date & time received _____

Received by _____ Filing no. _____

Protest time limit _____

1. **EVENT** _____ Organizing authority _____ Date _____ Race no. _____

2. **TYPE OF HEARING**

Protest by boat against boat

Protest by race committee against boat

Protest by protest committee against boat

Request for redress by boat or race committee

Consideration of redress by protest committee

Request by boat or race committee to reopen hearing

Consideration of reopening by protest committee

3. **BOAT PROTESTING, OR REQUESTING REDRESS OR REOPENING**

Class _____ Sail no. _____ Boat's name _____

Represented by _____ Tel. _____ Email _____

4. **BOAT(S) PROTESTED OR BEING CONSIDERED FOR REDRESS**

Class _____ Sail no. _____ Boat's name _____

5. **INCIDENT**

Where and when the incident occurred _____

Rule(s) alleged to have been broken _____ Witness(es) _____

6. **INFORMING PROTESTEE** How did you inform the protestee of your intention to protest?

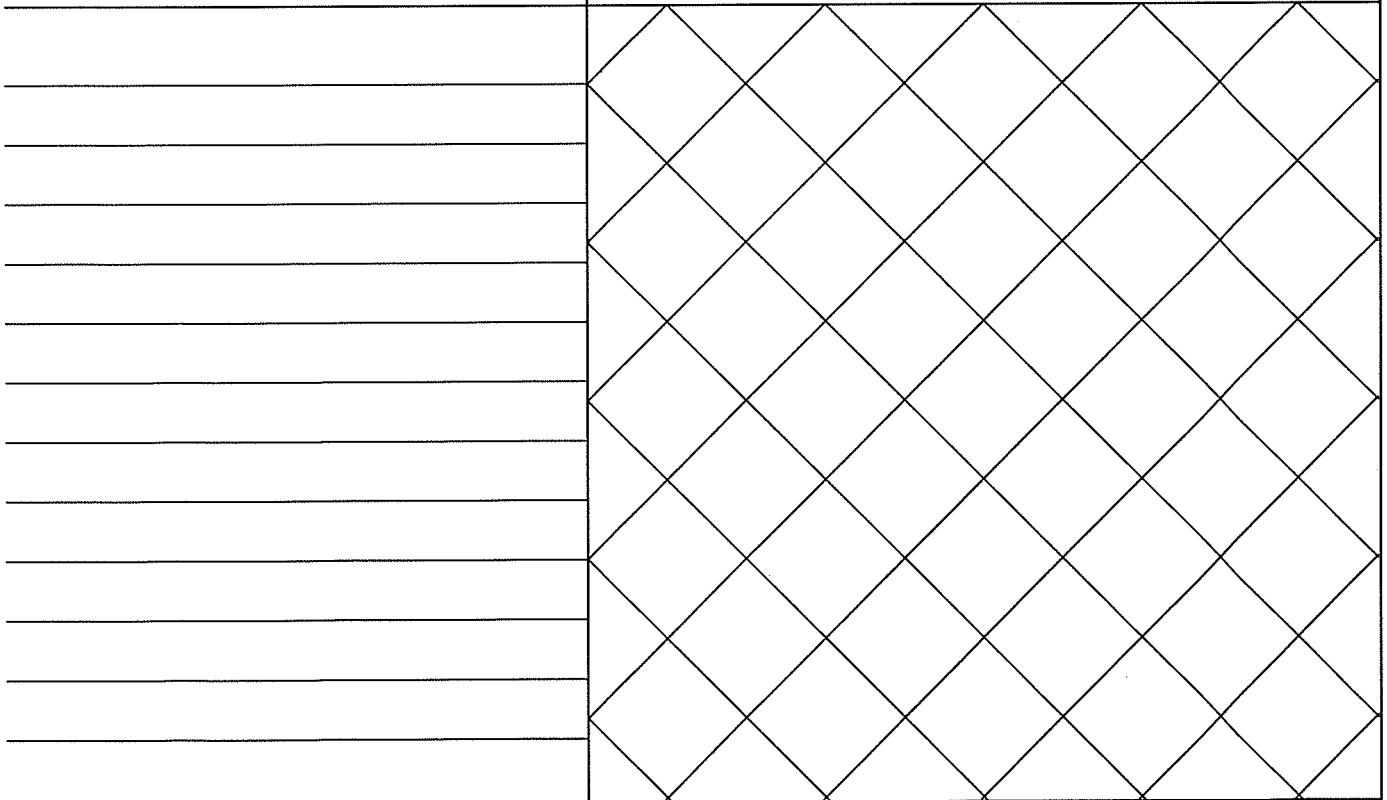
By hailing When? _____ Word(s) used _____

By displaying a red flag When? _____

By informing her in some other way Give details _____

7. **DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT**
(use another sheet if necessary)

Diagram: one square = one hull length
Show position of boats, wind and current direction, marks.



THIS SIDE FOR PROTEST COMMITTEE USE

Fill in and check as appropriate

Class _____ Race # _____ Filing # _____

Heard together with numbers _____

Withdrawal requested; signature _____ Withdrawal permitted

Protest, or request for redress or reopening, received within time limit Time limit extended

Protestor, or party requesting redress or reopening, represented by _____

Other party, or boat being considered for redress, represented by _____

Names of witnesses _____

Interpreters _____

Remarks

Conflict of interest declared Objections: Yes No _____

Written protest or request identifies incident. _____

'Protest' hailed at first reasonable opportunity _____

No hail needed; protestee informed at first
reasonable opportunity _____

Red flag conspicuously displayed at first
reasonable opportunity _____

Protest or request valid; hearing will continue.

Protest or request invalid; hearing is closed.

FACTS FOUND

Diagram of boat _____ is endorsed by committee.

Committee's diagram is attached.

CONCLUSIONS AND RULES THAT APPLY

DECISION

Protest: dismissed Boat(s) _____ is (are) disqualified from race(s) _____
 penalized as follows _____

Redress: not given given as follows _____

Request to reopen a hearing: denied granted

PROTEST COMMITTEE

Members _____

Chairman's signature _____ Date & time _____

Written decision requested

When _____

By whom _____

Date provided _____