



## **8. COURSES**

- 8.1** The attached diagrams (Shields Courses) show courses 2 through 6, the order in which marks are passed and how marks are to be passed.
- 8.2** No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the course number, the approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles to the weather mark (Mark 1) on a white board.
- 8.3** Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port. Mark 1 is the windward mark. Mark 1a is an offset mark and will be positioned to port of Mark 1.
- 8.4** Mark 2 will normally be a gate. For courses 2, 4 & 6, Mark 2 is not a mark of the course for the first or final leg.
- 8.5** When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.
- 8.6** If only one gate mark is set, boats shall round that mark to port.
- 8.7** Except when there is a change of course, the gate will be positioned to windward of the RC signal boat.
- 8.8** In the event of a shortened course, the finish line shall be at a rounding mark, between the mark and a staff on a nearby RC boat displaying flag S, or at a gate, between the gate marks.

## **9. MARKS**

- 9.1** The windward mark(Mark 1) is an orange tetrahedron. The offset mark(Mark 1a) will be a small orange sphere.
- 9.2** Gate marks(Mark 2) will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.3** The leeward mark or gate mark will be set about 100 yards to windward of the RC signal boat.
- 9.4** The start/finish marks will be an orange cylinder and the RC Signal boat.

## **10. THE START**

- 10.1** Races will be started using *RRS 26* with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal
- 10.2** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and an orange cylindrical mark to port.
- 10.3** A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored “DNS” without a hearing. This changes *RRS A4* and *A5*
- 10.4** The race committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on Ch 71 VHF.
- 10.5** Failure to hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the order in which or untimely hailing of boats shall not be grounds for redress. This changes *RRS 62.1(a)*.

## **11. THE FINISH**

- 11.1** The finishing line for even numbered courses (downwind finish) will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the nearby orange cylindrical mark.
- 11.2** The finishing line for odd numbered courses (upwind finish) will be between an orange flag on a race committee boat and Mark 1 to port.

**12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 12.1** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cell phones.
- 12.2** The Race Committee intends to use Ch 71 to supplement signaled information to all boats.
- 12.3** Competitors are responsible for having a functioning VHF radio aboard.

**13. TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1** The time limit for the first boat to finish will be two hours.
- 13.2** Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored “DNF” without a hearing. This changes *RRS* 35, A4 and A5.

**14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1** A boat intending to protest must notify the race committee of its intention and the identity of the protested boat(s) as soon as possible after finishing the contested race and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 14.2** Protest forms will be available at the Tred Avon Yacht Club. Completed protests shall be delivered to the Protest Committee as soon as possible but not later than two hours after the committee boat has docked. The RC signal boat docking time will be posted on the Shields Notice Board.
- 14.3** A list of protests received will be posted as soon as possible indicating the time and order in which the protests will be heard.
- 14.4** Representatives of the boats who are parties to a hearing and their witnesses shall remain in the vicinity of the TAYC Protest Hearing Room.

**15. SCORING**

- 15.1** The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2** A maximum of six races is scheduled. Four completed races will constitute the series.
- 15.3** If fewer than five races are completed, a boat’s score will be the total of her race score. If five or more races are completed, a boat’s score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3(b).

**16. SAFETY**

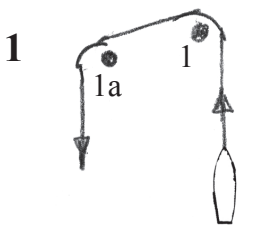
- 16.1** Competitors are strongly encouraged to wear a USCG approved PFD while racing.
- 16.2** Boats retiring from racing are requested to notify the Race Committee on Ch 71

**17. PRIZES**

- 17.1** Trophies will be awarded for the series to finishers 1 through 4.

# Shields Courses

## Marks

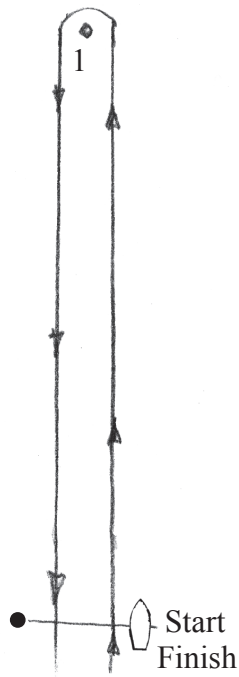


## 2 - Gate



## Course 2

START-1-1a-FINISH



## Course 3

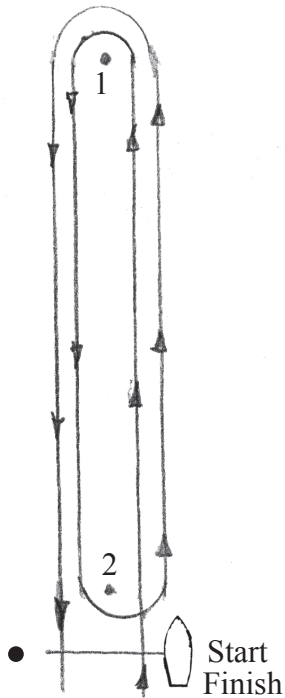
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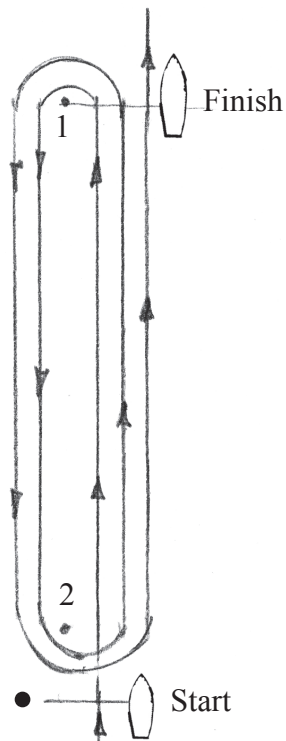
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## Course 5

START-1-1a-2-1-1a-2-FINISH



## Course 6

START-1-1a-2-1-1a-2-1-1a-FINISH

