



# International Star Class South American Championship

14th – 18th November 2019

Club Náutico Olivos

Olivos – Buenos Aires – Argentina

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

**ORGANIZING AUTHORITY:** Club Náutico Olivos in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA). The host fleet is Olivos (OL) Fleet.

**Notation:**

'**[DP]**' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.

'**[NP]**' in a rule in the SI means that the breach of that rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. The ISCYRA Continental Committee has granted authority under STCR 34.3.7 for the racing to be managed as a Format B event.
- 1.4. The amendment to STCR 31.2.6 (ISCYRA Resolution #4-2016) is in effect: Boats may carry VHF radios for purposes of safety and for receiving race committee communication, including notification of OCS boats.
- 1.5. Boats shall display bow numbers. The Organizing Authority will supply the numbers and instructions for their application. Competitors are responsible for maintaining their bow numbers visible on both sides of the bow. **[NP][DP]**
- 1.6. If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

### 2. Notices to Competitors and Venue

- 2.1. The Race Office is located near the club entrance.
- 2.2. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located near the crane and the flagpole.

### 3. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

- 3.1. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Principal Race Officer and/or Protest Committee Chairman, and will be posted on the ONB two (2) hours before the scheduled time for the warning signal on the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted not later than 19.00 hours on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. Signals Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Club Náutico Olivos flagpole near the crane.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

#### 5. Team Weight

- 5.1. Teams must comply with STCR 31.1.3 at all times.
- 5.2. All teams shall demonstrate compliance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to 11.00 hours on Friday, November 15th.

#### 6. Radio Communications

- 6.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. **[DP]**
- 6.2. The Official VHF Channel will be VHF 65 USA.

#### 7. Schedule

7.1.

Thursday, November 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 – 18.00 hrs. 19.00 hrs.	Registration and Measurement Opening Ceremony
Friday, November 15 <sup>th</sup>	09.00 – 11.00 hrs. <b>10.30 hrs.</b> 11.00 hrs. 13.00 hrs.	Registration and Measurement <b>Skippers Meeting (this changes NOR 5.1)</b> Registration Closes Warning Signal for 1st race of the day
Saturday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>	13.00 hrs. After Racing	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day Social Event
Sunday, November 17 <sup>th</sup>	13.00 hrs. <b>20:30 hrs.</b>	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day <b>Dinner (this changes NOR 5.1)</b>
Monday, November 18 <sup>th</sup>	13.00 hrs. 16.00 hrs. After Racing	Warning Signal for 1st race of the day No Warning Signal after this time. Awards Ceremony

- 7.2. Seven (7) races are scheduled. The Race Committee will complete two (2) races per day unless the regatta is behind schedule or SI 7.3 applies, in which cases no more than three (3) races per day will be completed as per STCR 34.3.7 Format B.
- 7.3. The Race Committee may sail one race ahead of schedule provided the change is made according to SI 3.1.
- 7.4. No Warning Signal will be made after 16.00 hours on Monday, November 18th.
- 7.5. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

#### 8. Class Flag

- 8.1. The class flag will be a white flag with a red star.

#### 9. Racing Area

- 9.1. The racing area will be approximately 2 nautical miles to the east of the Club Náutico Olivos.

#### 10. Course

- 10.1. The diagrams in Appendix #1 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.
- 10.2. As outlined in Appendix #1, Course "0", "1", "3", or "4" STCR 34.3, Format B STCR 34.3.7 may be used. The Race Committee signal boat will display the appropriate numeral pennant to indicate the course.
- 10.3. The approximate compass bearing from Mark 3 (or Marks 3S and 3P) to Mark 1 will be displayed on the Race Committee signal boat prior to or with the Warning Signal.
- 10.4. The courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

## **11. Marks**

11.1. Marks are described in Appendix #1.

## **12. Check-In**

12.1. Prior to the first Warning Signal of the first race each day, boats shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat to be recorded. Boats not complying with this instruction will receive the same score as a boat not starting without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

## **13. The Start**

13.1. The starting line will be between the staffs from which orange flags are displayed on Race Committee boats at each end of the starting line. The port end may be replaced by a yellow inflatable buoy.

13.2. A boat not starting within 10 minutes after the Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

13.3. In addition to what RRS 29.1 establishes, the Race Committee may hail OCS boats by either sail or bow number on the official VHF channel. Failure of the Race Committee to transmit, failure of a competitor to receive, mistaken transmissions, and the order of hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13.4. A Race Committee boat positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify any OCS, UFD or BFD boats by displaying 'X' flag and their bow numbers. Boats so notified shall leave the race course immediately. **[DP]**

## **14. Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

14.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## **15. The Finish**

15.1. The finishing line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a Race Committee Boat and yellow inflatable buoy.

## **16. Penalty System**

16.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16.2. RRS Appendix T1 only will apply. (Post-Race Penalties)

16.3. RRS Appendix P will apply with the following changes:

- a) P1.2 is changed to permit the hail to a protested boat to be either her bow number or sail number.
- b) P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply.
- c) P2.1 is changed so that it will apply to first and subsequent penalties and the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16.4. The penalty for breaking a class rule may be less than disqualification, if the Protest Committee so decides. This changes RRS 64.1.

## **17. Time Limit**

17.1. The time limit will be as described in STCR 34.3.7 Format B:

- a) Target Time 1.5 hours.
- b) 40 minute maximum for Mark 1.
- c) 3 hour maximum time limit for the completed course.

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the time limit the race will be abandoned.

Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

17.2. RRS 35, A4 and A5 is changed to provide that boats finishing more than 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.

## **18. Protests**

- 18.1. Protest forms are available at the Race Office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 18.2. Protests must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee Signal Boat docking time. Protest Time Limit will be posted on the ONB.
- 18.3. Notices will be posted on the ONB within 30 minutes of the Protest Time Limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Protest Room located at the Race Office, at the time posted.
- 18.4. Notices of protests by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 18.5. A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted as soon as possible after the protest time limit.
- 18.6. On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## **19. Scoring**

- 19.1. Seven (7) races are scheduled, of which four (4) races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 19.2. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores.
- 19.3. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races score excluding her worst score.

## **20. Liability and Safety**

- 20.1. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 20.2. Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the Race Committee as soon as possible. **[DP] [NP]**
- 20.3. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the Race Office. **[DP] [NP]**

## **21. Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

- 21.1. Any request for a change of crew must be submitted to the Race Committee in writing prior to 10.30 hours on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the Race Committee grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the ONB. **[DP]**
- 21.2. A change of helmsman will not be permitted.
- 21.3. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity. **[DP]**

## **22. Equipment and Measurement Checks**

- 22.1. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection of the required equipment.

## **23. Event Advertising**

- 23.1. Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies. **[DP] [NP]**

## **24. Official Boats**

- 24.1. Official boats will be marked as follows:
  - a) Race Committee Signal Boat: Club Pennant with "RC" letters.
  - b) Race Committee service boats: White flag with "RC" in black.
  - c) Jury Boats: White flag with "J" in black.
  - d) Press Boats: Green flag.

## **25. Team and Private Support Boats**

- 25.1. Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats are expected monitor the official VHF channel and to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee or Organizing Authority. **[DP] [NP]**
- 25.2. Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished racing, except as provided in SI 24.1. **[DP]**
- 25.3. A yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants. **[DP]**
- 25.4. All support boats must be registered with the Organizing Authority and will be required to comply with local regulations. The Organizing Authority may refuse registrations and accept later registrations at their sole discretion. **[DP] [NP]**
- 25.5. All support boats shall have third party liability insurance. Proof of same may be requested. **[DP] [NP]**
- 25.6. The penalty for a breaking a rule of this section may be imposed to all boats associated to the Team or Private Support Boat.

## **26. Berthing [DP] [NP]**

- 26.1. There are not any berthing requirements.

## **27. Haul out Restrictions**

- 27.1. Boats may be hauled-out every day after the races.

## **28. Diving Equipment and Plastic Pools**

- 28.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. **[DP]**

## **29. Prizes**

- 29.1. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.
- 29.2. Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.
- 29.3. Master's trophies will be awarded to the best skipper and crew not finishing first through fifth in the Series for skippers aged 50 through 59 before the start of the first race.
- 29.4. Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the best skipper and crew not finishing first through fifth in the Series for skippers aged 60 or over before the start of the first race.
- 29.5. Daily prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew acquiring the lowest score at the sum of the races held on each day.

## **30. Disclaimer of Liability**

- 30.1. Participants agree that no person or organization involved in the conduct of this Championship will be liable for any accident, injury, fatality, or damage or loss of boat or personal property arising out of a participant's preparation for or participation in any on-the-water or on-shore activities (whether social, recreational, launching, hauling, boat storage or otherwise) associated with the Championship. Nothing in these Sailing Instructions or oral statements by the Organizing Authority, their officers, directors or agents, shall modify or otherwise impair the effect of the Waiver of Liability Form, the execution of which is a condition of entry.

## **31. Media Rights**

- 31.1. By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the OA and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

# APPENDIX #1

## COURSES

**Star Class Courses**  
(STCR 34.3 and 34.4)

In case of small regattas the starting line may be set up at mark 3 and the finishing line at mark 1 or mark 3.

In Gold and Silver events, Course 0, 1, 3 or 4 shall be used. Course 2 may be used in Silver events if requested by the sponsoring fleet and approved by the Continental Committee.

In Blue and Green events Course 0, 1, 2, 3, and 4 shall be used.

No course may be shortened during Gold, Silver, Blue or Green Events.

In Red events and Qualifications the above courses are not mandatory and may be shortened.

Down Wind Leg  
3S 3P  
gate

**Course "0"**

Start  
1  
2  
3  
1  
3 (or gate 3A - 3B)  
Finish (upwind)

● 2 (90°)

○ = optional offset mark

**Course "1"**

Start  
1  
2  
3  
1  
(or 1 + offset mark)  
Finish (downwind)

○ = optional offset mark

**Course "3"**

Start  
1  
2  
3 (or gate 3A-3B)  
1  
2  
3 (or gate 3A-3B)  
Finish (upwind)

**Course "4"**

Start  
1  
2  
3 (or gate 3A - 3B)  
1  
2  
Finish (downwind)

## MARKS

- The start and finishing marks will be Race Committee boats and/or a yellow inflatable buoy.
- Original Marks 1, 2, 3 (or 3s and 3p) will be orange inflatable buoys.
- New Marks as provided in SI 14.1 will be blue inflatable buoys.
- A "leeward gate" will be employed in courses 3 and 4. If one of the marks of the "leeward gate" is missing the remaining mark shall be left to port.