



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

TEXAS STATE SNIPE CHAMPIONSHIP

October 28-29, 2023

White Rock Lake, Dallas, Texas

Organizing Authorities: Corinthian Sailing Club and Snipe Fleet 1

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by:
- 1.2. the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3. The current US Sailing Prescriptions
- 1.4. The current SCIRA Class Rules, By-Laws, Rules of Conduct for National and Local events, ("ROCs"), adjusted for local conditions.
- 1.5. In case of conflict between the Notice of Race or the ROCs and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

2. Entry and Eligibility:

- 2.1. Eligible boats and Class member skippers may enter by completing registration with Dallas Snipe Fleet 001 at the Corinthian Sailing Club of Dallas, Texas. **All skippers must be members of SCIRA and all boats must be registered with SCIRA.** Competitors may pay SCIRA fees and dues at registration.
- 2.2 N/A
- 2.3 The same crew shall race in all races, except for reasons satisfactory to the Race Committee. Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted in writing to the Principal Race Officer.
- 2.4 Once a skipper and/or crew have been excused, he or she may not return for the balance of the series.
- 2.5 The Technical Committee may inspect competitors or boats not racing at any time. Equipment inspections are normally initiated at the finish of the race.
- 2.6 Bow numbers will not be used.
- 2.7 Sail number used must be declared at registration and need not correspond with hull numbers. Request for a change must be in writing and approved by the PRO and SCIRA Representative prior. Errors due to an unauthorized change, the lack of or duplication of sail numbers shall not be grounds for redress.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board inside the clubhouse of the Corinthian Sailing Club.
- 3.2. Race Committee notices or changes to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted and signaled no later than thirty (30) minutes before the departure of the main Race Committee boat, except any change in the schedule of races Saturday will be posted by 9:00 AM on Saturday and any change in the schedule of races for Sunday will be posted by 7:00 PM on Saturday.

- 3.3. Any change or amendment to the Sailing Instructions shall have the prior approval of the SCIRA Representative.
- 3.4. The competitors' meeting will take place in or around the Main Clubhouse of the Corinthian Sailing Club at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 28th.
- 3.5. Snipe minimum racing wind level requirements are waived.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the CSC clubhouse.
- 4.2. When Flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the Race Signal AP. This changes "Race Signals."

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Five or six races are planned. One race shall be completed to constitute a regatta.

Saturday Oct 28	Registration and Breakfast:	8:00-9:30 AM
	Skippers Meeting	09:30
	First Warning Signal of the Day	10:30
	Lunch on the dock	Approximately 12:30
	Additional races either before or after lunch	
	No Warning Signal after	16:30
	Dinner, costume party, dancing	18:30
Sunday Oct 29	Breakfast	07:45-08:30
	First Warning Signal of the Day	09:30
	No Warning Signal after	12:30

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. The class flag will be a red snipe (bird) on a white field.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1. Courses to be sailed are illustrated in Attachment 1.
- 7.2. The course designation will be displayed on the starboard side of the race committee (RC) signal boat.

8. MARKS

- 8.1. Rounding and finish marks shall be orange spheres. Starting mark shall be a green tetrahedron.
- 8.2. Change marks will be orange spheres with black band. If the course is changed again, the original marks will be used.
- 8.3. Offset mark if present shall be a white sphere.

9. SAFETY CHECK-IN

- 9.1. When the RC signal boat displays Code Flag L and sounds the horn one time, prior to the first warning signal each day, competitors shall sail past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the RC. Only the RC may protest alleged breaches of this sailing instruction. Failure to check in on the first day will result in a warning. If the boat also fails to check-in on the second day, a 20% (DP) Scoring Penalty may be applied to the first race of the day, in accordance with RRS 44.3. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.3. Please avoid the area between the Signal Boat and Pin prior to check-in.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2. RRS Rules 30.3 (U Flag) and 30.4 (Black Flag) shall not be applied.
- 10.3. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and a green tetrahedron located directly below the course.
- 10.4. As a courtesy, approximately one minute before the warning signal there may be a series of short repetitive sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.
- 10.5. As a courtesy, the RC may hail the sail number of boats that are OCS. The delay of such hails, the order of hailing, the failure of the RC to hail or the failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. 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. The first change mark will have a black band. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2. An offset mark, if present, shall be removed in the event of a course change.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. The finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on an RC boat and the course side of the finish mark.
- 12.2. Code Flag "H" displayed, with no sound signal, while boats are finishing means "return to dock."
- 12.3. Code Flag "A" displayed, with no sound signal, while boats are finishing means "no more racing today."

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1. The alternative penalties of RRS Appendices V1 and V2 will apply.

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. The following apply independently for each Division:
 - 14.1.1. The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark will be 30 minutes, and for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes. If either of the time limits is not met, the race will be abandoned.
 - 14.1.2. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, NF+1). This changes RRS 35 and A11.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.
- 15.2. Protest forms will be available at the CSC Clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or

reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

- 15.3. The Protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC signal boat docks at the end of the day, which will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.4. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held inside the junior gazebo approximately in the order received.
- 15.5. On the last scheduled 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.

16. SCORING

- 16.1. The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will be used. No race score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.2. A boat scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) will be awarded one point greater than the number of boats to sail the course and finish within the time limit, but not more than a score of DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4, A4.2, A5 and A11.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.
- 17.2. The City of Dallas requires all boats carry a single USCG approved throw cushion plus a life jacket for each person on board. An additional approved life jacket may be carried in lieu of a throw cushion.
- 17.3. All boats shall carry the Snipe Class mandated tow line (8mmx15m) plus a paddle.

18. PRIZES

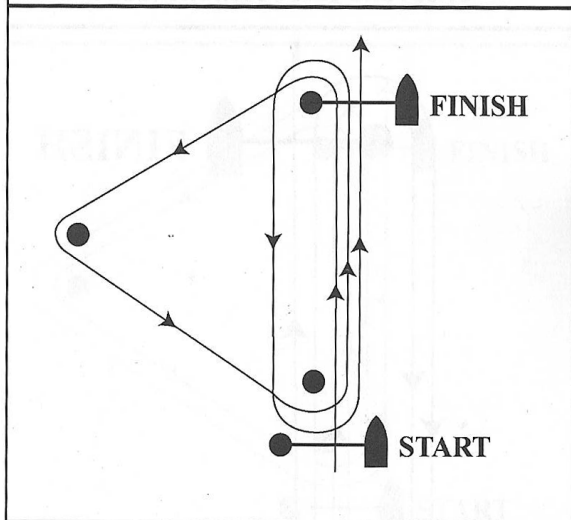
- 18.1. Prizes will be awarded.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

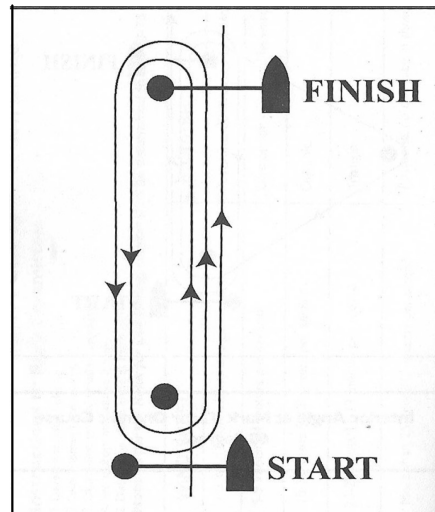
- 19.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

ATTACHMENT 1

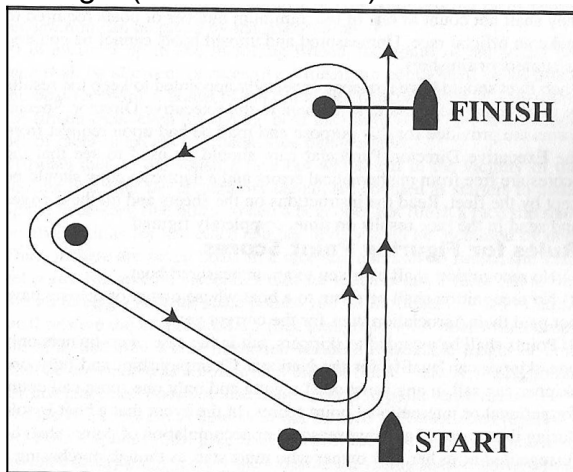
Olympic (Course Board O)



Windward-Leeward (Course Board W)



Triangle (Course Board T)



Notes:

- 1) Course angles and length may be adjusted to suit wind direction and lake geography.
- 2) W and T courses may be followed by a numeric modifier stating the number of legs.
- 3) An offset mark may be used with the windward-leeward course.