

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Flying Scot[®] 2025 Madison Clinigatta



Madison, Wisconsin July 12-13, 2025

Hosted by Lake Monona Sailing Club

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Organizing Authority: Lake Monona Sailing Club ("LMSC")

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS").

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the Olbrich Park Regatta Tent and at <u>www.lakemononasailing.com</u>.
- 2.2 The Race Office will be located at Olbrich Park in the Regatta Tent..
- 2.3 Regatta Contact: Dave Gorwitz, Regatta Co-Chair (608) 320-3366, dave@gorwitz.com.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions ("**SI**") will be posted before 0930 on the day they will take effect, except that any change in the racing schedule will be posted before 2000 the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Olbrich Park Regatta Tent and at www.lakemononasailing.com.
- 4.2 When Code Flag AP is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes." This changes RRS *Race Signals*.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Competitors' meetings 0930 Saturday and Sunday at the Olbrich Park Regatta Tent.
- 5.2 No limit on the number of races (we'll get in as many as the conditions allow).
- 5.3 Races scheduled as follows:

5.3.2 Sunday July 13

- 5.3.1 Saturday July 12 First Warning Signal of the Day
- 1030, subsequent races to follow 1030, subsequent races to follow 1330
- 5.3.3 Sunday July 13 No Warning Signal After
- 5.4 Code Flag A displayed (with no sound) while boats are finishing means, "No more racing today."

First Warning Signal of the Day

5.5 Code Flag H displayed (with no sound) while boats are finishing means, "*Return to harbor and watch for further signals.*"

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flag for the Flying Scot fleet will be a white flag with a blue FS insignia.

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7. RADIO COMMUNICATION AND OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

- 7.1 The Race Committee ("RC") will use VHF Channel 72 to communicate with competitors.
- 7.2 Competitors are requested to contact the RC on the water in the event of emergencies, to report safety issues, to retire from a race, or to report a protest or penalty taken.
- 7.3 Competitors may communicate with event support/coach boats between and during races. Coaches may request competitors receiving coaching to switch to an alternate VHF channel. This changes RRS 41.
- 7.4 Competitors may bring an event-provided coach onboard prior to the warning signal for any race; coaches may sail onboard as an additional crew member in one or more races and may participate in sailing the boat (including as helmsperson). This changes RRS 41 (Outside Help).

8. RACING AREA

8.1 The race area will be in the vicinity of the center of Lake Monona.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 No later than the warning signal, the course designation will be displayed on the stern of the RC signal boat.
- 9.2 The courses to be sailed are windward-leeward as shown in the attached diagram ("Course Diagram").
- 9.3 There will be an offset mark (*Mark 1a*) at the windward mark (*Mark 1*). If after the first leg of the race the course is changed, *Mark 1a* will not be used.
- 9.4 There will be a leeward gate (*Marks 2G*). If a gate mark is missing or is significantly out of place the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.
- 9.5 Except for the leeward gate, all marks shall be rounded to port.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 The starting marks will be an orange ball and the staff bearing an orange shape on the RC vessel.
- 10.2 The windward mark and gate marks will be yellow cylinders.
- 10.3 The offset mark will be an orange ball.
- 10.4 The finishing marks will be an orange ball and the staff bearing a blue shape on the RC vessel.
- 10.5 Change marks will be orange balls. For subsequent changes, the original marks will be used.

11. SAFETY CHECK-IN

11.1 [NP] When the RC signal vessel displays Code Flag L prior to the first warning signal each day, competitors shall sail past the stern of the RC signal vessel on starboard tack and hail their sail number until acknowledged by the RC.

12. THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark on the port end.
- 12.3 As a courtesy, the warning signal may be preceded by a VHF announcement or series of short sound signals to alert competitors that a starting sequence is about to begin.
- 12.4 As a courtesy, the RC may, after the starting signal, hail the sail numbers of OCS boats via VHF Radio. 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).
- 12.5 A boat that does not start within four minutes starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and RRS A5.

13. CHANGED OR SHORTENED COURSE

- 13.1 No course shall be shortened to fewer than three legs, two of which shall be to windward. The leg of the course from the windward mark to the offset mark will not count as a leg of the course for this rule.
- 13.2 The RC may make minor adjustments to a leg of the course without signaling, provided no boat is sailing that leg.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on an RC vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 14.2 Boats retiring before finishing are requested to inform the RC as soon as possible and may do so by VHF.

15. TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The following time limits apply to each race:
 - 15.1.1 The time limit for the first boat to pass the first mark is 15 minutes.
 - 15.1.2 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 45 minutes.
 - 15.1.3 Any boat failing to finish within 10 minutes of the first boat to sail the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish ("**DNF**") as described in the SCORING section below. This changes RRS 35 and A10.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protests. Protest forms will be available at the Regatta Tent and shall be filed within 60 minutes of the time the last boat finishes the last race of the day. The order of protests will be posted within 15 minutes of the end of the protest time. Protests will be held at the Olbrich Park Regatta Tent located near the Olbrich Park boat launch, approximately in the order received.
- 16.2 Redress. If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, NSC, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board, a request for redress shall be made no later than 30 minutes after posting or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16.3 On the last day of racing, a request for reopening a hearing or 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 and RRS 66.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply with the following modifications:
 - 17.1.1 One race must be completed to constitute a series.
 - 17.1.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores, provided:

17.1.2.1 If five or more races are scored, her worst finish shall be excluded.

- 17.1.2.2 This changes RRS A2.1.
- 17.1.3 Scoring rule A5.3 will apply.

