



Asociación Argentina  
de Snipe

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SNIPE CLASS INTERNATIONAL RACING ASSOCIATION

**WESTERN HEMISPHERE AND ORIENT CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Commodore John T. Hayward Trophy**

**October 20<sup>th</sup> - October 27<sup>th</sup> 2018**

**Club Náutico Olivos**

**Olivos, Buenos Aires, Argentina**

## Notation [NP]

The notation [NP] in a rule in the SI means that a breach of this rule shall not be grounds for a protest by a boat.

## Notation [SP]

The notation [SP] in a rule in the SI means that for a breach of this rule a standard penalty will be applied.

## 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 No National prescription will apply.

1.3 The Rules of Conduct for Conducting National and International Championship and the restrictions of the Hayward Western Hemisphere Trophy Deed of Gift will apply. Any conflict arising between the Deed of Gift and the SCIRA Rules of Conduct shall be solved by the application of the Rules of Conduct.

1.4 In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

1.5 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the boat parking area, inside the Club.

## 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not after two hours before the first day warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted not after 19:00hs on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Any change or amendment to the Sailing Instructions shall be approved with the SCIRA Representative.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Club's Mast, located in front of the Club's principal building.

4.2 Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats

4.3 When flag Y is displayed on the RC vessel, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

### 5.1 Dates of racing

October 20 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday	09:00 to 18:00	Measurement.
October 21 <sup>st</sup> , Sunday	09:00 to 18:00	Measurement.
October 22 <sup>nd</sup> , Monday	09:00 to 12:00	Measurement.
	12:30	Competitors Meeting
	14:30	Practice Race.
October 23 <sup>rd</sup> , Tuesday	12:30	First Race Warning Signal, 2 races scheduled.
October 24 <sup>th</sup> , Wednesday	12:30	First Race Warning Signal, 2 races scheduled.
October 25 <sup>th</sup> , Thursday	12:30	First Race Warning Signal, 2 races scheduled.
October 26 <sup>th</sup> , Friday	12:30	First Race Warning Signal, 2 races scheduled.
October 27 <sup>th</sup> , Saturday	12:30	First Race Warning Signal, 2 races scheduled.

5.2 Ten (10) races are scheduled.

5.3 No more than three (3) races will be sailed per day.

5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound for at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

5.5 On the last day of racing no warning signal will be made after 16:00hs.

5.6 There will be competitors meeting at 12:30 on Monday the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October at the Club's tent and announced by two sound signals.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

The official Class Flag shall be the Snipe Class flag, a red Snipe on a white background.

## 7 RACING AREAS

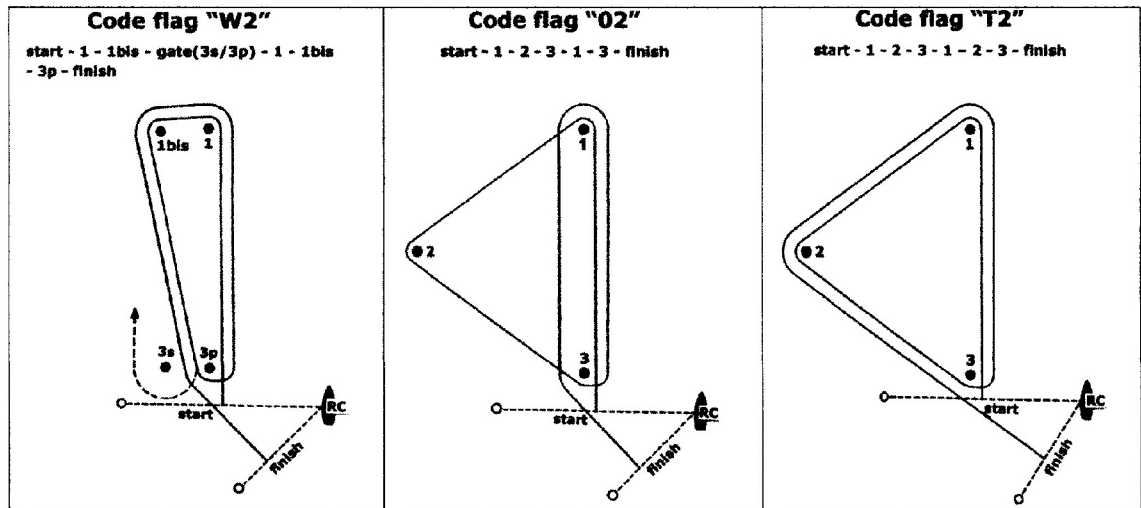
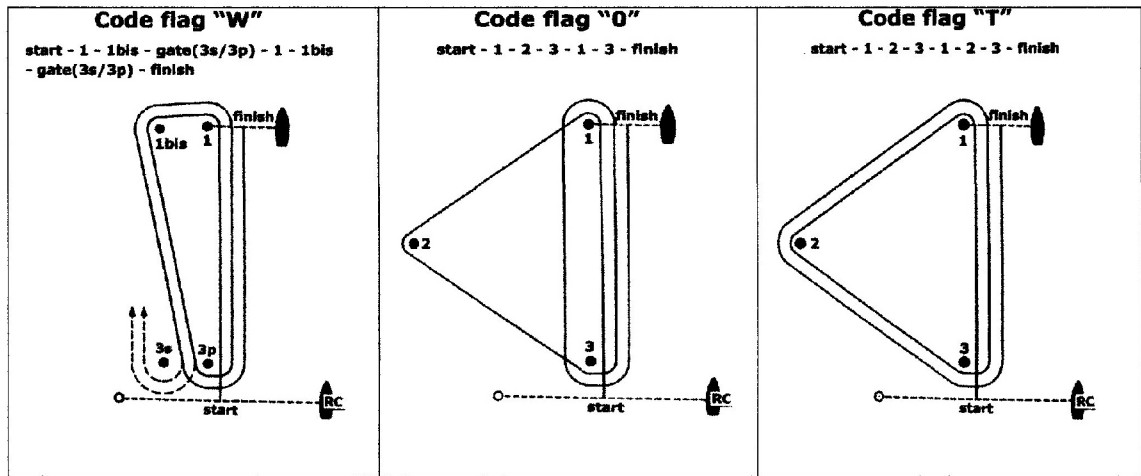
Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing area.

## 8 WEATHER LIMITATION (Course and Starting)

The wind speed ranges shall be no less than 5 knots and not exceed 23 knots.

## 9 THE COURSES

9.1 The diagrams below show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed. All course marks (except gates) shall be left to port.



- 9.2 The course signal (code flag "W", "T", "O", "W2", "T2" or "O2") shall be hoisted one minute before the warning signal and accompanied by one horn sound. It will remain displayed for ten minutes after the start.
- 9.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 9.4 If during a race the wind and/or wave action changes to the point where the selected course would be inadvisable (See Course Selection Diagram), the Race Committee shall change the course at any mark. A change of the type of course during the race shall be signalled displaying the new appropriate flag and accompanied by repetitive sounds before the leading boat has passed or rounded the mark.
- 9.5 The number of legs in a race may be reduced (RRS code flag S) but at least 2 (two) windward legs of the race shall be completed. This change RRS 32.2.
- 9.6 A sustained wind variation of 20 degrees or more from the posted bearing during the first leg of a race shall result in the race to be abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. This change RRS 32.1. [\*The SCIRA Representative will be consulted.\*]
- 9.7 A sustained wind variation of 40 degrees or more of the posted bearing during the first lap shall result in the race being abandoned and re-sailed, or abandoned. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of mark 3 (or passing the gate 3s-3p) for the first time. (This change RRS 32.1).

## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 1bis, 2, 3, 3s and 3p will be yellow inflatable buoys.
- 10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, will be orange inflatable buoys.
- 10.3 The starting marks will be a Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag on its mast on the starboard end and a Race Committee vessel displaying an orange flag on its mast at the port end.
- 10.4 For courses W2, O2, T2 the finishing mark will be a blue inflatable buoy or a RC Vessel displaying an orange flag. For courses W, O, T the finishing mark will be mark 1.
- 10.5 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in SI 13.2.
- 10.6 If one of the marks "gate 3s-3p" is not placed, or is not replaced as per RRS 34, the remaining mark shall be left to port.

## 11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

There are no obstructions in the racing area.

- 12 THE START
- 12.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 12.2 The starting line will be between an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and an orange flag or shape on a RC vessel at the port end.
- 12.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Appendices A4 and A5.
- 12.4 RRS 30.4 ('Black Flag Rule') shall not be used.
- 12.5 The Race Committee, after the finish of a race and before the warning signal of a subsequent one, will do its best to post on the Race Committee boat a list of OCS and/or ZPF boats. The failure of posting or an incomplete or wrong list will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

### 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 Changes to the next leg of the course shall be made using RRS 33. 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.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.1.
- 13.3 After the completion of first windward leg of the race the remaining legs may be increased or decreased (RRS 33 +/- ) by not more than 30% of the original length. This changes RRS 33). [\*The SCIRA Representative will be consulted on any change of course which affects its length.\*]
- 13.4 If Mark 1 will be changed in courses "W" or "W2", Mark 1bis (offset) will be no longer a course mark.

### 14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line will be between an orange flag or shape on a Race Committee Vessel and the course side of the finishing mark, or between two RC Vessels displaying orange flags for courses W2, O2 and T2.
- 14.2 The A flag on the Race Committee boat at the finish means that there will be no more races for the day.

### 15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 Appendix P will apply as changed by SI 15.2
- 15.2 RRS P2.3 will not apply and RRS P2.2 is changed so that it will apply to any penalty after the first one.

### 16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 16.1 The races will be managed to last 60-75 minutes for the first boat to finish. A different time (shorter or longer) used to complete the race will not be ground for requesting redress.
- 16.2 The time limit for the first boat to complete the first lap is 40 minutes from the start. If the first boat fails to complete the first lap within 40 minutes the Race Committee shall abandon the race. For the purpose of this rule a lap means the rounding of Mark 3 (or passing the Gate 3s/3p) for the first time.
- 16.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish the race shall be 1 hour, 30 minutes. Any boat finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or failing to finish within 2 hours from the start, whichever is shorter, shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

### 17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located near the entrance of the Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 17.3 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 in the protest room, located at the Club principal building in front of the Club's mast, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the Race Committee, Technical Committee or the International Jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.5 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 or RRS 29 and 30 will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 17.6 Breaches of rules in the SI marked with [NP] and NoR 3.4 (bow numbers) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- The penalty for breaking rules in the SI marked with [SP] and NoR 3.4 (bow numbers) shall be the 5% scoring penalty for nearest race completed by the infringing boat but not worse than the number of points corresponding to DSQ. Penalties for breaking Class Rules may be less than disqualification.
- 17.7 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.
- 17.8 An International Jury is constituted and shall have authority per RRS Appendix N. Their decision shall be final as provided in RRS 70.5. Per Appendix N2.2, SCIRA reserves for itself the right and responsibility to decide issues of eligibility, measurement and equipment. SCIRA may refer any issue to the International Jury for advice.
- 17.9 The use of team racing tactics shall not be tolerated
- 17.10 For the purpose of RRS 64.3(b) the "authority responsible" is the Measurer of the event.

17.11 The International Jury will abandon the race if, during a redress hearing, they conclude that the Race Committee did not follow Sailing Instructions 8, 9.5, 9.6, 9.7, and 13.3. This changes RRS 64.2.

## 18 SCORING

18.1 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 18.2 (a) When fewer than 6 (six) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.  
(b) When from 6 (six) to 9 (nine) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.  
(c) When 10 (ten) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

18.3 A boat intending to retire and be scored RET shall report its intent in writing to the Jury.

## 19 [NP][SP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

19.1 Each boat will be assigned a place on land which will have to be respected throughout the Championship.

19.2 Those who desire to sail before October 20th will need a support boat or a license emitted by Prefectura Naval Argentina or the equivalent corresponding entity from the country of origin.

19.3 During the days in which there aren't regattas, sailing will be allowed from 11:00 – 17:00. The permitted sailing area will be the same as the racing area.

19.4 Every competitor will have to check-in/out on the ramp or the crane boom when launching their boat and when returning to land, respectively. There will be a person in charge of recording competitor's departures and arrivals. Competitors will have to confirm they have been correctly checked-in/out.

19.5 Before the warning signal of the first race of the day each boat is required to sail past the stern of the main Race Committee boat on starboard tack and verbally check in. When the Race Committee verbally acknowledges a boat's sail or bow number, the check-in has been officially noted. When failing to do so this will lead to a penalty in accordance with SI 17.6.

19.6 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## 20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

20.1 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 Chairman. Once a crew has been excused, he/she may not return for the balance of the series.

20.2 The same skipper shall sail all races and can be replaced after the first race only, and then only if he/she is obviously incapacitated. If a skipper is replaced the first race shall be the race dropped, or scored DNC.

20.3 [NP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Race Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## 21 [NP] EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Race Committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## 22 [NP][SP] EVENT ADVERTISING

22 Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

## 23 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

23 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the SCIRA, organizing authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

## 24 OFFICIAL BOATS

24 Official boats will be marked as follows:

Club's pennant with CR inscription for Race Committee Boats.

White Flag with "JURY" inscription for Jury's Boat.

White Flag with "M" inscription for Measurer's Boat

## 25 [NP] SUPPORT BOATS

25.1 At the preparatory signal, coaches must be positioned at least 50 meters below the starting line. After the starting signal coaches may follow the fleet, but only on the port side of the course and must stay 50 meters from any mark and from any boat racing.

25.2 Coaches may not communicate with competitors after the warning signal for any race until after the competitors have finished the race. This changes the preamble to RRS Part 4.

- 25.3 Coaches shall register at the Regatta Office and all support boats shall be identified with it country's flag or country's letters on the engine.
- 26 **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**  
A boat shall neither make or receive radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 27 **TRASH DISPOSAL**  
Trash may be placed aboard support and Committee Vessels.
- 28 **PRIZES**  
Prizes will be awarded as provided by NoR.
- 29 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**  
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

**Signatures**

**Teodoro Kundig** - Principal Race Officer

**Pietro Fantoni** - SCIRA Representative

Attachment 1:

