

2022 WYC SNOW KITING SERIES

Sundays, January 9, 2022 – February 28, 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (“SIs”)

Organizing Authority (“OA”) & Host Club: Wayzata Yacht Club (“WYC”)

1. RULES

- 1.1. All races will be governed by the *Rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix F - Kiteboard Competition Rules (RRS)
 - 1.1.1. US Sailing Prescriptions 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply. This changes RRS 63.2 and 63.4.
 - 1.1.2. RRS F4-44.2 is changed to replace the word ‘hull’ with ‘ski’ and/or ‘board’. This changes F4-44.2.
- 1.2. Competitors must comply with, and adhere to, the Safety Requirements in the Notice of Race.
- 1.3. References.
 - 1.3.1. “Kiteboard(s)”, “boat(s)”, “competitor(s)”, and “participant(s)” all mean the same thing.
 - 1.3.2. Wherever the *rules* specify “hull” or “boat”, it means “skis” and/or “board”. This changes all the *rules*.
 - 1.3.3. The notation ‘[DP]’ in a rule in the NOR or SIs means that violation of this Rule may, at the discretion of PC, be subject to a lesser, or no, penalty. This changes RRS *Rule* 64.1(a) and RRS Appendix A4.2.
 - 1.3.4. The notation ‘[NP]’ in a rule in this NOR or SIs means the rule may not be protested by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)
- 1.4. In addition to the *Rules*, all competitors must comply with any Executive Order of the State of Minnesota and the COVID-19 Plan in place at WYC.

2. IDENTIFICATION OF COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Add second sentence to RRS F9 G1(a): Failure to wear the correct assigned personal competition number will result in a 20% scoring penalty calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS F9 G1(a). [NP]

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.

Notices to competitors from the Race Officer will be orally announced at the start line.

4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTION(S).

Any change to the SIs will be communicated orally at the time it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be made from the Wayzata Yacht Club.
- 5.2 When Flag AP over H is displayed ashore, all competitors must wait ashore for further instructions. This changes RRS Race Signals AP over H. [NP]
- 5.3 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘adequate time for all sailors launching promptly to reach the race area’.

6. SCHEDULE.

See Notice of Race.

7. RACING AREA.

See Notice of Race.

7.1. COURSES & MARKS

- 7.1.1. The finish line will be the same as the start line. Specifically, start line and finish line will be between the course side of a staff displaying an orange flag on starboard end of the line, and the course side of a staff displaying a yellow flag on the port end of line. This changes RRS *Rule* 32.2(c).
- 7.1.2. Subject to Section 7.1.1, the diagrams in Attachment B – Official Description of Marks and Courses – describe the courses and marks, including the approximate angles between the legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.1.3. No later than the warning signal, Race Officer will display a placard designating the course approximately 30 meters of the starboard end of the start line.
- 7.1.4. Mark 3g will be a gate. In the event that the gate is not in place, the single mark shall be rounded to port.

7.2. Obstructions.

- 7.2.1. In the Definition of Obstruction of Appendix F, “10 metres” is changed to “30 metres”. This changes Definition of Obstruction in Appendix F.
- 7.2.2. At any time, Race Officer may (for safety or any other reason) verbally announce to competitors that a specified area(s) (e.g., areas of Traffic, Traffic roads, ice rinks, fishing areas, ice boat courses, etc.) will be designated as an obstruction(s) and/or continuing obstruction(s) subject to RRS 19, 20 and Appendix F-20. This changes the Definition of Obstruction and RRS 19, 20 and Appendix F2-20.

7.3. THE START

- 7.3.1. All classes (including high aspect, open and green classes) shall start together in a combined start.
- 7.3.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the starboard end of the start line and an A Flag on the course side of the port end of the start line. In the event 'A' Flag is not on station; a Green Flag may take its place.
- 7.3.3. A boat that does not start within ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 7.3.4. SPECIAL START LINE RULE #1: In the event that a boat is *on course side* within 1 minute of *starting signal*:
 - 7.3.4.1. As a courtesy, if a boat(s) is on course side (OCS) prior to *starting signal*, Race Officer will attempt to orally hail her competition number. Failure or delay to make this hail or failure to receive or hear hail shall not relieve a boat of her own obligation to start properly, nor shall it be grounds for redress under RRS 62.1(a). This changes RRS 62.1; and
 - 7.3.4.2. The boat shall not re-round an end or head below the line for exoneration. Instead she shall slow her speed until the sooner of the following occurs: (i) 30 seconds after starting signal, or (ii) the time period for all other competitors to pass her boat (including their kites in its normal position); and then shall be deemed exonerated and may resume racing, this changes RRS 22 and 44.
 - 7.3.4.3. SPECIAL START LINE RULE #2: A *port-tack* boat sailing toward the starting line within one (1) minute of the *starting signal* shall, in addition to complying with RRS 10, not cross ahead of any starboard boat but must pass behind of all *starboard-tack* boats.

7.3.5. RECALLS

- 7.3.5.1. As a courtesy, if a boat(s) is on course side (OCS) prior to *starting signal*, Race Officer will attempt to orally hail her competition number. . Failure or delay to make this hail or failure to receive or hear hail shall not relieve a boat of her own obligation to start properly, nor shall it be grounds for redress under RRS 62.1(a). This changes RRS 62.1.
- 7.3.6. THE FINISH. The finish line will be between an orange flag and an orange flag.
- 7.3.7. *Windward Finish*: The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC Boat and the course side of a closest orange flag.
- 7.3.8. *Leeward Finish*: For a leeward finish, the finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC Boat and the course side of the closest orange flag to RC boat. This changes RRS *Rule* 32.2(c).
- 7.3.9. Race Officer may award finishing position(s) to boats not yet finished to expedite the start of the next race. This changes RRS *Rule* 90.3(a) and Appendix A4 and A5. Assigning finish position(s) will not be grounds for redress under RRS *Rule* 62.1(a).

8. PENALTIES

- 8.1. In Appendix F4-44.2, the phrase "hull in the water" shall be replaced with "boat on the ice". This changes Appendix F4-44.2.
- 8.2. As an alternative to a boat taking a one-turn penalty made pursuant to Appendix F-44.2, a boat may choose to take a 20% scoring penalty pursuant to RRS *Rule* 44.3 except that a verbal hail of acknowledgement shall be all that is required instead of flying a yellow flag. This changes RRS *Rule* 44.3.
- 8.3. Appendix V2 allowing for a boat to take of a 30% scoring penalty after racing shall apply.

9. TIME LIMITS

- 9.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish a race is thirty (30) minutes.
- 9.2. Kiteboards failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first kiteboard sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5. [NP]

10. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 10.1. Protest Time Limit: In accordance with RRS 61.3, the protest time limit is 1600 on the day of the race in which the incident occurred.
- 10.2. **Protest forms will be available at WYC clubhouse. Protest and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered** there (hard copy or email) by 1600 or other appropriate time limit specified in RRS.
- 10.3. A protest hearing may be conducted by a single judge, which person may also provide evidence and serve as a witness in the protest.

- 10.4. Judge will post date, time and location for a protest hearing as soon as possible on the WYC Official Notice Board or via email to the parties involved in accordance with RRS 63.2. Protest hearings may be held after *racing* or as otherwise specified by PC.
- 10.5. If the Race Officer posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit period expires, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than 1600 on the day of racing in accordance with RRS 62.2.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. There shall be a Series One and a Series Two, each of which shall span four (4) weeks.
- 11.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3. As permitted by RRS A2, each boat may exclude race scores from series results according to the following table (based on the number of races completed in each series):

Total Races	1-5	6-10	11-14	15-18	>18
Excluded Races	0	1	2	3	4

This changes RRS Appendix A2.1.

- 11.4. RRS Appendix A4.2 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following: “A boat that did not *start*, did not *finish*, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats who finished. A boat that is penalized under rule 30.2 or that takes a penalty under rule 44.3(a) shall be scored points as provided in rule 44.3(c).”

12. SAFETY REGULATIONS. See Notice of Race. Per the sheriff water patrol instructions, participants and spectators may not park any vehicle on the ice. [NP]

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RELEASE.

- 13.1. Snow kiting is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, including without limitation bodily injury, permanent disability and death. Competitors, guests, support personnel, RC, Race Officer and volunteers participate in each race entirely at their own risk. See RRS *Rule* 4, “Decision to Race”.

RRS 4 Decision to Race

The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

- 13.2. Snow kiting is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor, participant and spectator agrees and acknowledges that:
- 13.2.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport of flying kites on ice from skis or boards (including bodily injury, permanent disability and death) and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their equipment to such inherent risk while taking part in the event;
 - 13.2.2. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their equipment and their other property;
 - 13.2.3. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss caused by their act(s), error(s) or omission(s);
 - 13.2.4. By participating, they are satisfied that their equipment is in good order, equipped to compete in the event and they are fit to participate; and
 - 13.2.5. The provision of a Race Officer, RC, Judges, or other officials and volunteers by the OA, *if any*, does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.
- 13.3. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, RACE COMMITTEE, RACE OFFICER, PROTEST COMMITTEE, SNOW KITING FLEET, SPONSORS, WAYZATA SAILING FOUNDATION (WSF), WAYZATA COMMUNITY SAILING CENTER (WCSC), HOST CLUB AND VENUE (AND EACH OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, PERSONNEL, EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTORS, OFFICIALS, MEMBERS, GUESTS, VOLUNTEERS, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES AND ALL OTHER PERSONS IN THEIR CAPACITY OF ASSISTING A RACE OR RELATED EVENT OR ACTIVITY) (COLLECTIVELY, “**RACE ORGANIZERS**”) WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE OR LIABLE FOR ANY ACTION, CLAIM, LIABILITY, LOSS, DAMAGE, ACCIDENT OR INJURY (INCLUDING BODILY INJURY, PERSONAL INJURY, PERMANENT DISABILITY OR DEATH) (COLLECTIVELY, “**DAMAGES**”) TO ANY COMPETITOR, PARTICIPANT, SPECTATOR, PERSON, SNOW KITE, KITEBOARD, BOAT OR PROPERTY (I) SUSTAINED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OR PRIOR TO, DURING, OR AFTER EACH RACE; OR (II) ARISING, RELATING OR RESULTING FROM USE OF RACE FACILITIES OR PARTICIPATION IN A RACE OR ASSOCIATED EVENT OR ACTIVITY, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

- 13.4. BY PARTICIPATING, EACH PARTICIPANT FOREVER RELEASES, DISCHARGES AND WAIVES ANY AND ALL ACTIONS, SUITS AND CLAIMS WHATSOEVER AGAINST **RACE ORGANIZERS** FOR ANY **DAMAGES** TO ANY COMPETITOR, PARTICIPANT, SPECTATOR, PERSON, SNOW KITE, KITEBOARD, BOAT OR PROPERTY (I) SUSTAINED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OR PRIOR TO, DURING, OR AFTER EACH RACE; OR (II) ARISING, RELATING OR RESULTING FROM USE OF RACE FACILITIES OR PARTICIPATION IN A RACE OR ASSOCIATED EVENT OR ACTIVITY, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.
- 13.5. PARTICIPANT FURTHER RELEASES ALL **RACE ORGANIZERS** FROM ANY **DAMAGES** WHATSOEVER ON ACCOUNT OF ANY OF THEM GIVING ASSISTANCE, AID, CARE, ADVICE, RESCUE, FIRST AID, TREATMENT OR SERVICES.
- 13.6. Every competitor MUST sign a waiver prior to racing.
14. **INSURANCE.** Each competitor will be insured with valid third-party liability insurance (covering bodily injury, personal injury and property damage in connection with activities herein) in an amount not less than **\$300,000**. By choosing to participate, each competitor has agreed that he/she has such insurance in place. Third-party personal liability policies are often included in an individual's home owner's policy or renter's policy, so be sure to check with your insurance provider or insurance agent as to your level of coverage. Each competitor will present proof of insurance upon request. OA is not responsible for collecting or verifying the status or validity of such certificates.
15. **PUBLICITY & PHOTOGRAPHER'S RIGHTS.** As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself) grants **RACE ORGANIZERS** and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photographs, video, images, finishes, results and statements of them and their snow kiting in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertisement, promotions, public sale of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

Attachment A
SPECIAL SHERIFF WATER PATROL REQUIREMENTS [NP]

The Hennepin County Sheriff Water Patrol (Water Patrol) accepted Wayzata Yacht Club's (WYC) Special Event permit application for 2022 Snow Kiting racing series with certain written rules made part of the permit including without limitation:

1. **Participants and spectators may NOT park any vehicle on the ice**, except for a limited number of event support vehicles;
2. Parking is provided in the West Lot of WYC; and
3. Water Patrol may terminate the event at any time.

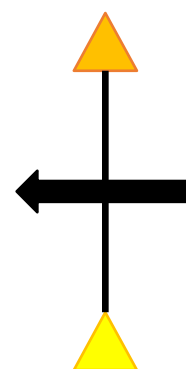
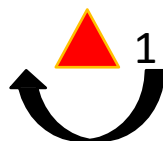
WYC's Officers require the Snow Kiting Liaisons and Race Officers to strictly comply with all oral and written terms, conditions, directives, rules and requirements of WYC's Special Event Permit issued by the Water Patrol) including without limitation:

1. Prior to each day's races, the Race Officer must measure and record the ice thickness at the start line and the windward mark. No racing may be held where the Race Officer or OA otherwise believes the ice is unsafe.
2. No holes over 10" in diameter should be drilled in the ice and the holes must be at least ten feet apart from one another.
3. Races may be cancelled at the discretion of the Race Officer or the OA.
4. Snow Kiting Liaisons and Race Officer will direct participants and spectators **NOT** to park any vehicle on the ice, except for a limited number of event support vehicles.
5. Water Patrol may terminate the event at any time.

ATTACHMENT B OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION OF MARKS AND COURSES

MARK	DESCRIPTI ON
A	Yellow Mark “A”
1	Red Mark set as a Reach Mark
2	Yellow Mark set as a Windward Mark
3	Yellow Mark set as a Leeward Mark below the starting line
3g	Two yellow Marks set as a leeward gate below the starting line
Starting	Orange Mark
Finishing	Orange Mark

Course 1 Rounding Order
Start – 1(s) – 2(p) – 3g – 1(s) – Finish



Course 2 Rounding Order
Start – 2(p) – 3g – Finish

