



2018 M Scow NJ State Championship

(Co-sailing with the MRYC 2018 One Design Fall Series)

October 14, 2018 (rain date October 28, 2018)

Organizing Authority: Manasquan River Yacht Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS v1 2018-09-08

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020.

1.2 Racing Rules Part 4 preamble, 28.1, 33, 33(a)(2), 35, 44.3, 44.3(c), A4.1, and Race Signals are changed as follows: [Part 4 preamble – see SI 4.3], [28.1 – see SI 11.3], [33 – see SI 11.4], [33(a) (2) – see SI 11.2], [35 – see SI 13.2], [A4.1 – see SI 10.4 & SI 13.2], [Race Signals – see SI 4.2].

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located in the basement of the clubhouse and/or online at WWW.MRYC.ORG

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions may be modified verbally on the water

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the club's flagpole.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

5 SCHEDULE

Date	High Tide	Day	Series	Start Time	Note
10/14/18	12:25 PM	Sun	Fall Series 3	11:30 AM	M Scow NJ States
10/28/18	10:49 AM	Sun	Fall Series 4	10:00 AM	NJ States Rain Date

5.1 We will try to have 4 races.

5.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable.

**6 CLASS FLAGS**

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
M16	T

7 RACING AREA

Manasquan River between Route 35 Bridge and canal

8 THE COURSES

8.1 Courses will be portable marks, wind-leeward or triangle, with or without a leeward gate.

8.2 When there is a leeward gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and then round either gate mark.

8.3 Courses will be announced immediately prior to each race, by being posted on a marker board clearly displayed on the committee boat, and/or by verbally hailing to each competitor (especially in the absence of a marker board).

8.4 Marker board will show type (WL=windward-leeward, T=triangle), number of legs (1,2 3, etc) and direction of rounding (P=port or S=starboard) plus any exceptional information such as G=leeward gates or FAC=finish at club (may be accompanied by hailing).

9 MARKS

9.1 Portable marks will be orange drop marks.

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be yellow inflatables.

9.3 The starting mark will be a blue inflatable.

9.4 The finishing mark on portable mark courses will be a blue inflatable, or a drum painted orange and white with the letter "A" painted in black, located in front of the MRYC main dock.

10 THE START

10.1 Races for all classes will be started using RRS 26 (Starting System) and 3-minute sequence.

A 3-minute start consists of the following horn sequence:

3 min: Three long blasts

2 min: Two long blasts

1.5 min: One long blast, three short blasts

1 min: One long blast

30 sec: Three short blasts

20 sec: Two short blasts

10 sec: One short blasts

5 sec: 5-4-3-2-1- Five short blasts for each second

0- One long blast (Start)

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and the starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10.4 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1.

10.5 A white shape displayed on the committee boat indicates that the committee boat is establishing a starting line. Keep clear of the area between the committee boat and any nearby mark.

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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

11.2 RRS 33 (a)(2) is changed to read a green rectangular flag or board for a change to starboard or a red rectangular flag or board for a change to port.



11.3 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of course and the nearby mark. This changes RRS 28.1.

11.4 During the race, “gate” marks may be repositioned without signal for minor changes in course. This instruction changes Rule 33.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and the finishing mark, or between the finishing mark and a staff displaying an orange flag on the club dock.

13 TIME LIMITS

13.1 Time limits are as follows: Time limit forty five (45) minutes; First mark time limit twenty (20) minutes. If no boat has passed the first mark within the first mark time limit the race will be abandoned.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.

14. ARBITRATION, PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protests and/or requests for redress shall be delivered to the Principal Race Officer within the protest time limit.

14.2 Notices of protests by the race committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

14.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14.5 Protest hearings for unresolved protests will be held at MRYC’s clubhouse at the convenience of the protest committee no later than ten (10) days following the applicable race.

15 SCORING

15.1 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply as changed below. RRS A2 is changed so one (1) race will be excluded for every four (4) races completed.

15.2 Only one (1) race must be completed to constitute the regatta.

15.3 A registered boat that does not come to the starting line will be scored DNC. DNCs are excludable as provided below.

15.4 The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. RRS A2 is changed so one (1) race will be excluded for every four (4) races completed.

15.5 Points shall be awarded to a boat/driver combination and may not be transferred except by specific written permission of the Regatta Committee.

15.6 No race shall be declared official unless three or more entrants come to the starting line.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Boats intending to race shall check in at the committee boat not less than five (5) minutes prior to her warning signal.

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



16.3 Boats are required to have on board at all times while racing the following safety equipment:

	<u>Paddle</u>	<u>Pump or Bailer</u>	<u>Anchor</u>	<u>Anchor/Tow Line</u>	<u>PFD</u>
M16	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

- Notes:**
1. Manual bailer must be a minimum of 4-quart capacity.
 2. All boats must carry a towline solely dedicated to towing and/or anchoring and readily available for use at all times. Line must be at least 24' long and of sufficient strength to tow a swamped boat.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of skippers, or changes of sail numbers, will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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 member to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Code flag "L" and any applicable class flag(s) displayed at the finish indicate a mandatory inspection. Boats whose class flag(s) have been displayed are required to respond by checking in with a patrol boat or a committee boat for inspection.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of the policy limit of their homeowner's insurance policy per event or the equivalent thereof.