

Sailing Instructions
Eastern Class E Scow
Association 2021 Championship
Regatta Organizing Authority:
Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club
(CLYC)
August 5 – 8, 2021

1 . Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the National E Scow Association rules, available on the class web site, and the rules of the E Scow Eastern Association as revised, posted to competitors on the Regatta Networks web site.

2 . Entry and Ability

2.1 The regatta is open to all Class E Scow yachts which meet the rules (see 1 Rules above) and who properly complete registration and measurement requirements.

2.2 In order to be scored, an E-Scow entered in the regatta must have clearly legible NCESA current annual boat sticker attached to the transom.

2.3 Use of Flotation Panels will be required for all races.

2.4 Boats may be inspected by class representatives at any time during Regatta to insure conformance to class rules.

2.5 Each yacht must keep the same crew throughout the regatta, unless a written declaration is made at registration to the PC Chair specifying crew changes (including helmsman) and the specific times the changes will be made. If an emergency causes a crew member to be unable to sail, a substitute crew may be used only after receiving permission from the PC Chair.

3 . Notice to competitors

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the locker room building next to the pool.

4 . Changes to the Sailing Instructions

4.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before the harbor gun horn on the day it will be effective, and any change in the schedule of racing will be posted by 20:00 the day before the change is effective.

5 . Signals made ashore

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee Boat.

5.2 The warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag “AP” is lowered. This changes “Flag AP” in the RRS.

6 . Schedule of races

6.1 The warning signal for the first race of each day is scheduled as follows:

Friday, August 6	10:55
Saturday, August 7	10:25
Sunday, August 8	10:25

On Sunday, the final day of the regatta, the warning signal for the final race shall not be made after 14:00 hours unless there have been only 2 races completed. If an additional race is required, the warning signal may be made up to 15:00 hours for the final race.

6.2 Eight (8) races are scheduled.

6.3 To alert competitors a race will begin soon, multiple sound signals will be made approximately one minute before the warning signal.

7 . The Course

7.1 Windward-leeward courses will be sailed with an offset mark at the windward mark, and two gate marks at the leeward end of the course. See Appendix 1 – Race Course Diagram.

7.2 The number of legs and the magnetic bearing to the windward mark will be displayed from the Committee Boat.

8 . Marks

8.1 The windward and gate marks will be orange tetrahedrons. The offset mark will be an orange cone.

8.2 The pin end of the starting line will be an orange flag on a staff which will be on a mark boat.

8.3 The starboard end of the starting line will be an orange flag on a staff which will be on the committee boat.

8.4 Change marks will be a yellow tetrahedrons. If moved again, they will be the original color. If the windward mark is changed, there may not be an offset mark. Marks which remain in place except for minor adjustment (a gate mark adjusted to be square with the wind or the offset adjusted) after a mark or marks are moved, will remain the same color.

9 . The Start

9.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

9.2 The Class flag will be code flag “E”.

9.3 Yachts starting later than five minutes after the starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

9.4 If at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull is on the course side of the starting line and she is identified, the RC shall attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF radio channel 69. Failure to hail, or hear the hail, or the order of hails, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10 . Time Limits

10.1 A Race shall be abandoned if no yacht reaches the windward mark within thirty minutes of the starting signal, or if no yacht finishes the course within two hours of the starting signal.

10.2 Any yacht failing to finish within thirty minutes of the first yacht to start, sail the course and finish shall be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and be given one point more than the number of yachts finishing within that time without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

11 . The Finish

11.1 If finishing to leeward, the finishing line will be between a blue flag on the pin boat on the starboard end of the line and the staff flying a blue flag on the race committee boat.

11.2 If finishing to windward, the finishing line will be between a blue flag on the pin boat on the port end and the staff flying a blue flag on the race committee boat.

12 . Consecutive Races

12.1 The second race of the day will be started as quickly as possible after the completion of the first race.

12.2 No more than 2 races will be sailed back-to-back, in which case a break of approximately 45 minutes will be given

13 . Penalties

13.1 Penalties for incidents occurring within three (3) boat lengths of a mark may be delayed and taken as soon as possible after rounding the mark. Penalties occurring with 3 boat lengths of the weather mark or between the weather mark and the offset mark may be taken after rounding the offset mark. This changes RRS 44.2.

14 . Hearing requests

14.1 As soon as possible after finishing or withdrawing from the race in which an alleged breach occurs, the protesting yacht shall notify the Committee Boat at the finishing line of the number of any yachts she intends to protest.

14.2 Any yacht making penalty turns shall notify the Committee Boat at the finishing line of any penalty turns performed.

14.3 Hearing request forms will be available from the CLYC clubhouse bar. Protest time is 30 minutes after the Race Committee docks. This time will be posted on the notice board.

14.4 Time and location of hearings shall be posted on the notice board within 30 minutes of the end of protest time.

15 . Withdrawing From A Race

15.1 Any yacht withdrawing from a race shall inform the Committee Boat in person, or on VHF channel 69, ASAP.

16 . Scoring

16.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

16.2 Low point RRS Appendix A scoring shall be used, and modified so that if six or more races are scored, each yacht's worst score shall be excluded from her total score.

17 . VHF Radio Use

17.1 As a courtesy, the Race Committee will communicate any information it believes useful to the fleet on VHF channel 69. Failure to broadcast or receive this information shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

18 . Prizes

18.1 Prizes will be awarded for skipper and crew for each of the top five finishers, the top rookie skipper, the top master (age 65 or better on 8/6/21) skipper, and the top vintage yacht (built prior to 2011) skipper.

Appendix 1 – Race Course Diagram

<i>No. of legs</i>	<i>Mark rounding order</i>
2	Start – 1 – offset – Leeward finish
3	Start – 1 – offset – 2s/2p – Windward finish
4	Start – 1 – offset – 2s/2p – 1 – offset – Leeward finish
5	Start – 1 – offset – 2s/2p – 1 – offset – 2s/2p – Windward finish

