



2009 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

GPSC Fall Series



Change notice 9/18 – GPSC-1 moved to deeper water near channel, distance unchanged

- 1.1 **All Competitors shall not interfere with commercial shipping transiting the racing area at any time.**
- 1.2 When code flag “F” is displayed by the race committee, on shore or boat, the shipping channel downstream of government buoy “G1” shall become a restricted area before the time the boat has started or completed the first leg of its course.
- 1.3 Any boat inside the restricted area when the code flag “F” is displayed shall immediately exit this restricted area.
- 1.4 Any boat not complying with 1.1, 1.2 or 1.3 may be subject to protest by the race committee and may be reported to the Coast Guard.
- 1.5 Infraction of 1.1, 1.2 or 1.3 is not subject to protest by another boat (this changes RRS 60.1)

2.1 RULES

The races will be governed by rules as defined in the current “2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing” (RRS) or as modified by the Sailing Instructions (SI).

- 2.2 When there is conflict, the “Sailing Instructions” (SI) shall prevail over the notice of race (this changes RRS 63.7)

3.1 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE BY RACE COMMITTEE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the race committee end of the starting line located at the East corner of Grosse Pointe Park Windmill Pointe Marina.

3.2	<u>Shipping Channel</u>	“F” flag(red diamond on white Field)	SIREN
	<u>Off Limits</u>	<u>SI section #1 is in effect while flag is up</u>	When Lowered, SIREN
	<u>Shortened course</u>	“S” flag(blue rectangle on white field) will be displayed before the Preparatory signal of any class that it applies to. (this changes RRS 32)	2 long sounds
	<u>Recall signal</u>	“X” (blue cross on white field) flag for individual recall	1 sound
	<u>Postponement signal</u>	“AP” pennant(3 red, 2 white vertical bars on triangular pennant) races not started are postponed. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal	2 sounds
	<u>Abandonment signal</u>	“N” flag(blue and white checkerboard pattern) all races are abandoned, return to the starting area. The warning signal will be made 1 minute after removal	3 sounds
		“N over A”(vertical blue and white swallowtail) flags, all races abandoned, no more racing today	3 sounds

4.1 FORMAT OF RACING

- 3 Classes of competing boats using only a Jib or Genoa, Main and *Mizzen (*if standard for the boat) for JAM A and B, and a one design Crescent class with all class sails allowed.
- Races to be run on 4 successive Tuesdays, **September 8, 15, 22 & 29, 2009**
- The warning signal for the first race and class will be at or shortly after **1830** hours

4.2	<u>START</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>CLASS FLAG</u>	<u>COURSE</u>	<u>DISTANCE</u>
	1	JAM A	Code Pennant 1	Course 1	5.0 NM
	2	Crescent	Code Pennant 2	Course 2	4.0 NM
	3	JAM B	Code Pennant 3	Course 2	4.0 NM

5.1 RACE COURSE

*** Headings are approximate TRUE bearing and distances are approximate nautical miles.*

Course #1, 5 NM

Course #2, 4 NM

<u>BRG(T)</u>	<u>DIST(NM)</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>COLOR</u>	<u>MARK TO</u>		<u>BRG(T)</u>	<u>DIST(NM)</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>COLOR</u>	<u>MARK TO:</u>
062°	1.6	GPSC-2	Orange	PORT		062°	1.6	GPSC-2	Orange	PORT
352°	0.5	GPSC-4	Orange	PORT		352°	0.5	GPSC-4	Orange	PORT
227°	1.9	S/F Pin	Orange	PORT		227°	1.9	FINISH	Orange	
078°	0.5	GPSC-1	Yellow	PORT						
282°	0.5	FINISH	Orange							

- 5.2 Legs of the courses will not be changed from the Course Tables. This changes rule 33
- 5.3 Marks are floating inflatable buoys of the color described in the Course Tables

6.1 THE START

- 6.2 Races will be started by using RRS rule 26 with the first race warning signal scheduled for **1830 hours**. a NUMERAL PENNANT corresponding to the start number will be used as THE CLASS FLAG.
- 6.3 Race will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 6.4 Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence or error of a sound signal shall be disregarded.
- 6.5 The starting line will be between the flagpole displaying the RC flag near the upstream corner of the Grosse Pointe Park marina seawall and a floating orange inflatable or rigid buoy.

7 THE FINISH

The finish line will be between the flagpole on the upstream corner of the Grosse Pointe Park marina seawall and a floating inflatable or rigid orange buoy.

8.1 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 8.1 Protest forms are available on line at www.gpsc.org or, until they have left, from the GPSC RC committee located on the start/finish line on the evening of the race.
- 8.2 Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the dockside Race Committee staff or the Grosse Pointe Park Windmill Point guardhouse within the appropriate time limit.
- 8.3 The protest time limit is 2 hours after finishing or the time limit has expired (reference RRS 61.3).
- 8.4 The time and place of protest hearings, if any, will be posted on www.gpsc.org. The intention is to get them up within 48 hours of the completion of the race.

9 RETIRING FROM THE RACE

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. The race committee monitors **channel 68**.

10.1 SCORING

Series standings will be determined by high point total and scored according to the following, which will be awarded for each race:

STARTING and FINISHING	1 Point
EACH BOAT DEFEATED	1 Point
DSQ, DNF, OCS, BFD, DNE	0 Points, but count as boats defeated for the purpose of scoring other boats in the race

- 10.2 Points will be totalled separately for each race
- 10.3 There will be one “throw out” race allowed for the series total
- 10.4 A missed series race will be used as the “throw out” race for calculating the series total
- 10.5 Awards are based on the series totals
- 10.6 Ties for awards will be resolved using the methods set forth in RRS A8
- 10.7 For each class in a series: first, second and third place flags will be awarded for classes having 5 or more boats registered, first and second place flags classes having 4 boats registered, and a first place flag for classes having 4 or less boats registered.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

The Race committee will monitor and communicate with the Mark Set and Patrol boat on **Channel 68**