



2023
Wednesday Night Ideal 18 Twilight Series



Presented by
Indian Harbor and Old Greenwich Yacht Clubs

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. Races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing and the class rules of the Ideal 18 except where modified or amended by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water orally as allowed for by rule 90.2(c). To announce an on-water change, the race committee shall signal flag "L" with one sound signal and announce the change over VHF.
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority for each day of racing is the yacht club responsible for race committee on that day.

2. ENTRY

Competitors may enter by sailing to the start area on any race day and announcing the names of the skipper and crew(s) as well as the boat's club affiliation to the Race Committee.

3. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS AND AMENDMENTS

- 3.1. The class rules of the Ideal 18 are amended to allow any number of persons to race a boat. At least one occupant on each boat must be a responsible member in good standing of his or her respective club and abide by the rules and requirements of that club. All other participants in that boat must be members or guests of the responsible member, in as much as the member's club's rules allow.
- 3.2. Spinnaker use is not allowed through June 28. Spinnaker use is allowed in the remainder of the series (starting July 5). No handicap will be granted to boats that choose not to use spinnakers.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. The series shall run weekly on Wednesdays from May 17 - September 6, 2023.
- 4.2. 1900 first warning every Wednesday from May 17 to August 23, 2023.
- 4.3. 1830 first warning August 30 & September 6.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area will be 1/4 NM southeast of Red Rock in Captain Harbor, Greenwich.

6. STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

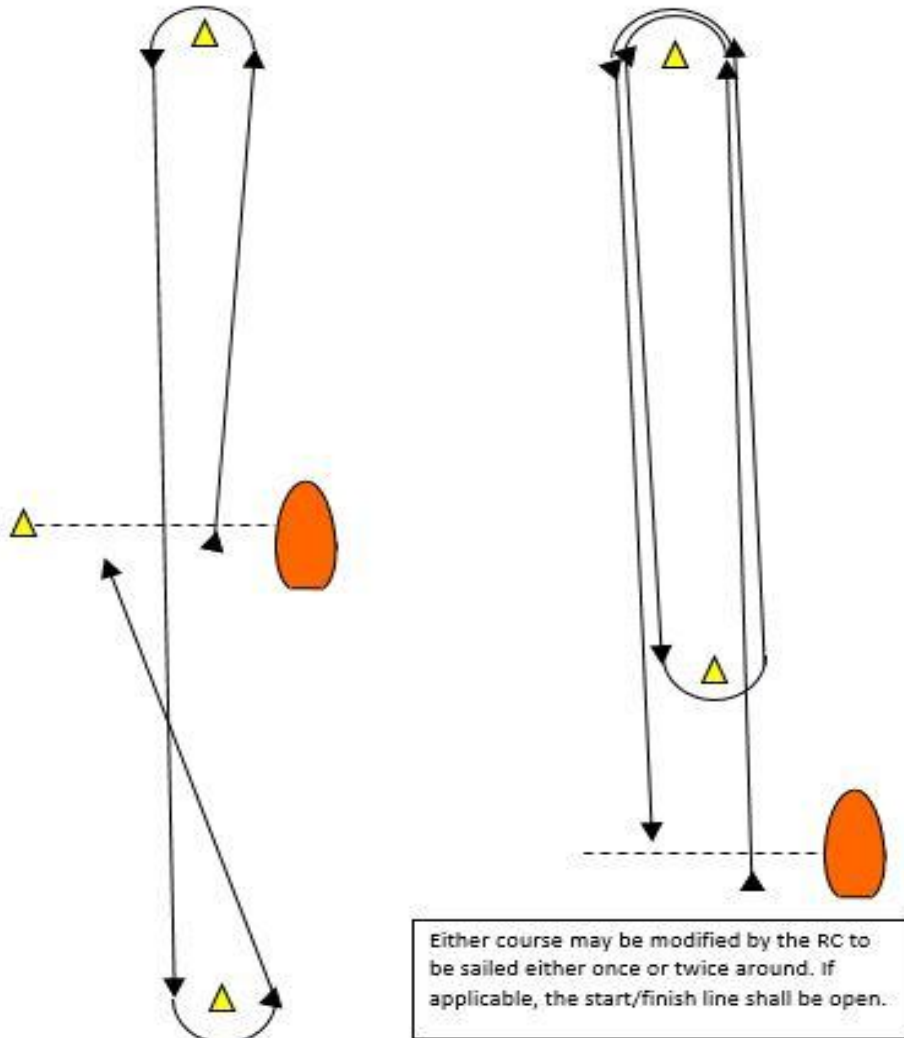
The start and finish line will be between a flag on the RC boat at the Starboard end of the line and the course side of a nearby mark at the Port end of the line.

7. STARTING PROCEDURES

- 7.1. RRS Appendix U shall be used - three-minute sound signal sequence.
- 7.2. The RC will attempt to hail boats that are OCS, but not hearing a hail will not be grounds for redress. Individual and general recalls will be signaled by verbal hails from the RC boat.
- 7.3. A general recall will be signaled by two sounds from the RC signal boat. After a general recall, the I-Flag Rule (RRS 30.1) is automatically in effect, though code flag I may not be displayed. A new warning will follow as soon as possible after the General Recall.

8. COURSES AND MARKS

- 8.1. The Course Diagram shows the courses, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark. The RC will announce a course prior to each race. Marks will be inflatable buoys.
- 8.2. The courses are displayed in the Course Diagram, below:



9. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 30 minutes for the first boat to finish. Any boat finishing more than 10 minutes after the first finisher will be scored DNF. Any boat starting more than three minutes after the start signal will be scored DNS.

10. PROTESTS

Protests shall be announced to the RC at the end of each race. Arbitration may be offered by Zoom meeting or in-person. A protest or request for redress shall be submitted electronically and shall be delivered to IHYC Sailing Director Henry Millette hmillette@indianharboryc.com by email within 1 hour after the RC boat docks. Hearings will be held as soon as possible either in person or via Zoom meeting.

11. PENALTIES

Rule 44.1 is modified to require a 1-turn penalty including one tack and one gybe in the same direction. A penalty can be taken after the race and before the protest hearing as per RRS V2.

12. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 12.1. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place based on the results of the season-long series. Rankings will be calculated using high-point scoring. In order to qualify for these awards, skippers must compete in at least 40% of all races run throughout the season.
- 12.2. Additional awards may be given at the discretion of the OA.

13. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

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