

1st Annual Detroit River Spring Dinghy Regatta

June 17, 2023

Sailing Instructions

Hosted by the LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club, and Force 5 Fleet 115
2640 Front Road, Lasalle, Ontario N9J 2N1



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The Force 5 Class Association Rules found at force5class.org will apply to all Force 5 races.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the LaSalle Mariners Yacht Club (LMYC) clubhouse.

3 SCHEDULE OF RACES

3.1 All races will be sailed on June 17, 2023.

3.2 Starts will be scheduled and signalled as follows, and based on number of registrations and number of classes registered.

Force 5 - Class Flag

Class(es) of one boat style - PINK and/or YELLOW flag

Mixed fleet - GREEN Flag

3.3 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1155. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

3.4 To alert boats that a sequence of starts will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with 5 short sounds one minute before the first warning signal of that start series.

3.5 No warning signals will be made after 1525.

3.6 Flag "A" displayed, with no sound, and the blue flag while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

4 CLASS FLAGS

4.1 The Force 5 class flag will be displayed for all Force 5 starts. For all other starts the pink, yellow, and green flags will be used. Class information and flags will be made available with the schedule at the skippers meeting, based on registration.

5 RACING AREAS COURSES AND MARKS

5.1 Attachment A shows the location of the racing areas and government navigational marks.

5.2 The diagrams in attachment B show the courses, directions and course marks.

5.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee vessel will display the course.

5.4 Legs of a course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

5.5 The starting and finishing marks will be the RC boat and the Orange River Marker. (one styrofoam platform)

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6 THE START

- 6.1 Races will be started by using the RRS 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the starting signal.
- 6.2 The starting line will be between a staff display an the orange flag on the starting mark and the RC boat displaying the orange flag.
- 6.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. (DP)
- 6.4 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The finishing line will be between the orange River Marker and the RC boat displaying the blue flag.

8 PENALTIES

- 8.1 For all classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

9 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 9.1 Boats failing to finish within 5 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be finished in place. They will be notified by a safety boat at that time. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

10 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 10.1 Protest forms are available on the official notice board and from the race committee. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 10.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 10.3 Notices of protests will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings, in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in a private area on the club grounds.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 For all Force 5 boats, and any starts where there are 5 or more in a class, the one design scoring system shall apply.
- 11.2 For any starts with various class boats, a handicap scoring system will apply.
- 11.3 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.4 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

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12 SAFETY REGULATIONS AND EQUIPMENT

12.1 All boats are required to check in with the RC boat at the beginning of the series.

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

12.3 Due to the current and nature of the sailing area in the Detroit River, wearing approved PFD's is strongly recommended during all races. If flag 'Y' is displayed, PFD's must be worn for all classes. For Force 5 boats, this conforms to Force 5 class association Article VIII, Section 8.01.

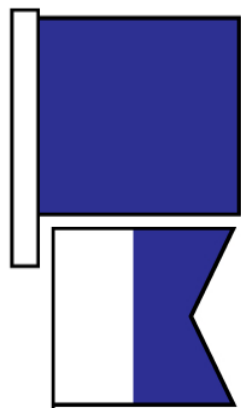
12.4 All boats must have a tow line of at least 15 feet attached to the bow, or 20 feet attached to the mast. For Force 5 boats, this changes Force 5 Class Rules Article VIII section 8.02

13 PRIZES

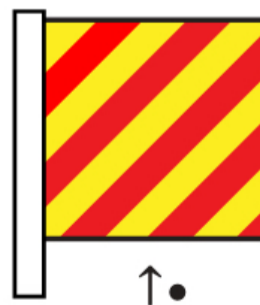
13.1 Each first place winner's name will be included on the Detroit River Dinghy Regatta plaque that resides in the LMYC clubhouse.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

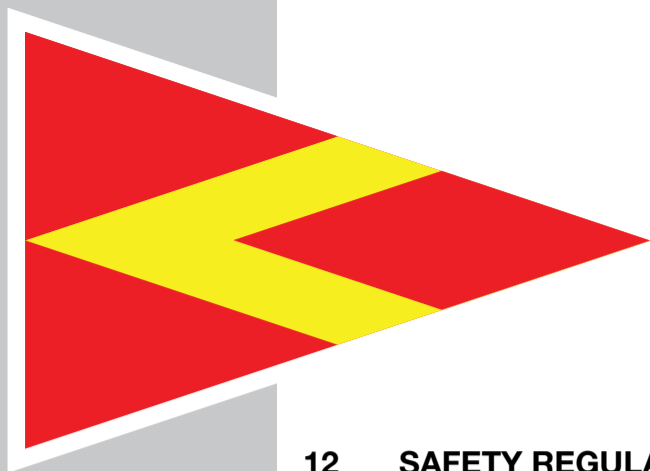
14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta, entirely on their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.



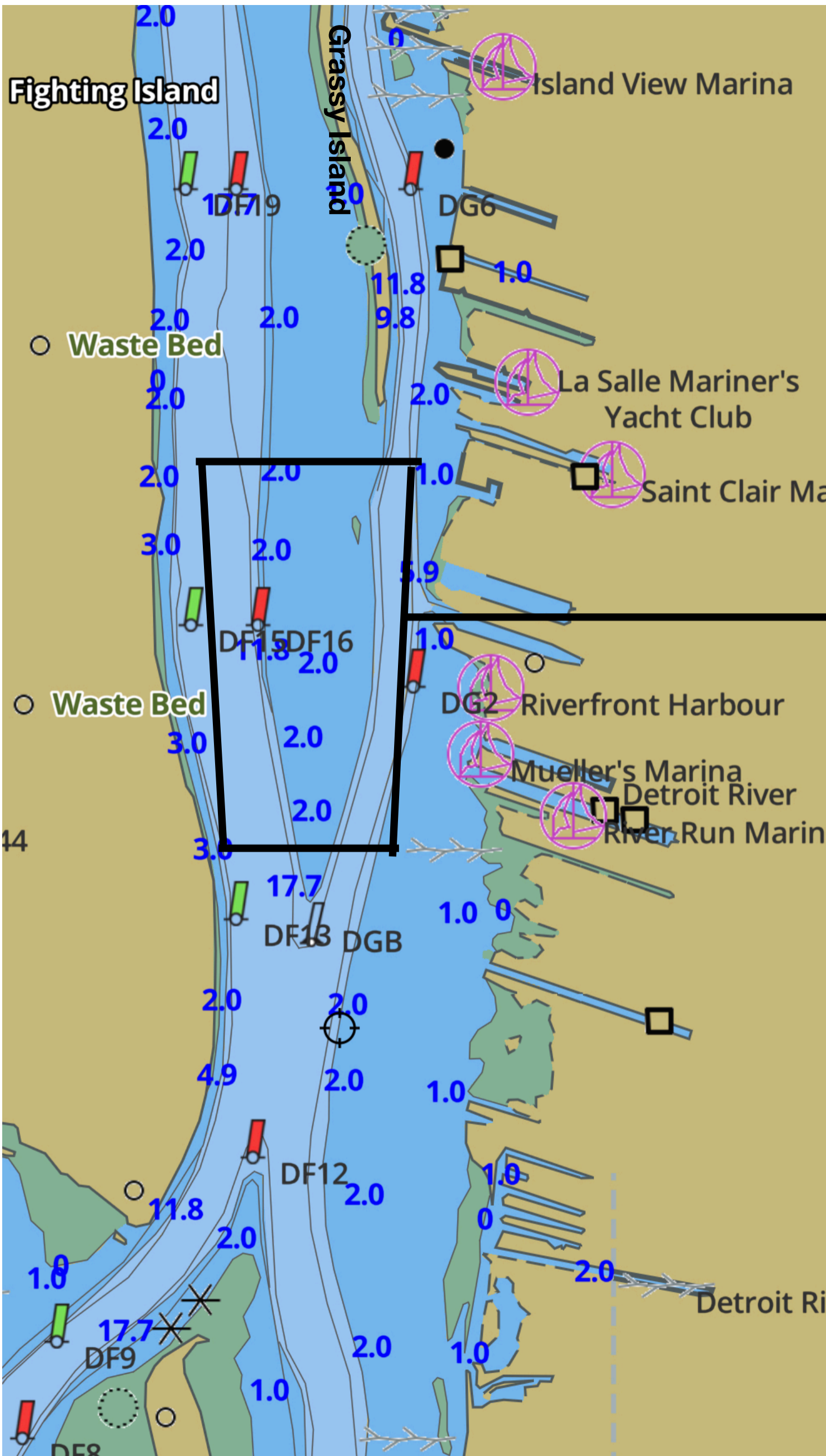
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Y Wear personal flotation device (See rule 40).



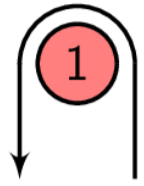
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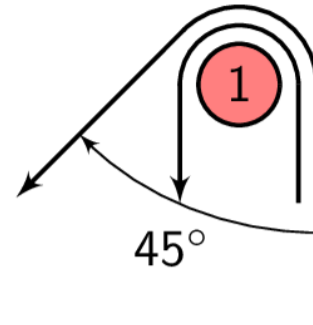
Attachment A

Location of the sailing area is shown in the black box.

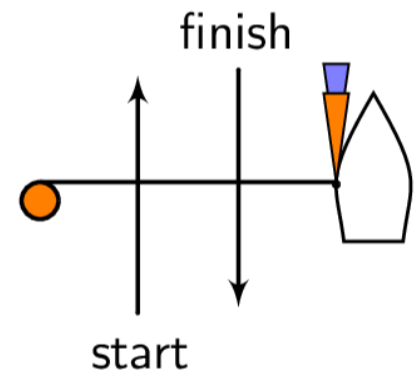
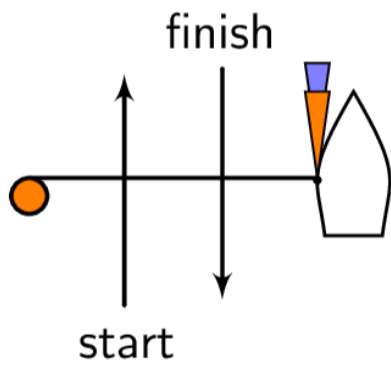
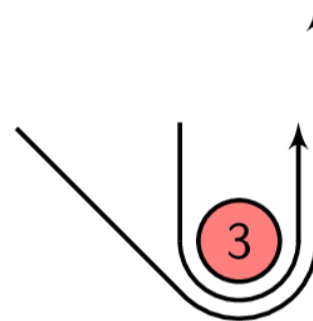
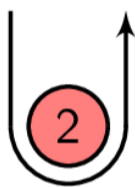
Attachment B - Courses



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Signal Mark rounding order

L1 Start-1-Finish

L2 Start-1-2-1-Finish

L3 Start-1-2-1-2-1-Finish

Signal Mark rounding order

TL1 Start-1-2-3-1-Finish

TL2 Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish

TL3 Start-1-2-3-1-3-1-3-1-Finish

PHRF ratings for Dinghies

ILCA 6 - 250

CL 14 - 277

Force 5 Short RIG - 277

Force 5 - 242

2 Feva - 301

RS Quest - 228

Sunfish - 268

Laser - 217