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2018 Old Ladys Race  
Sailing Instructions  
Daysailer Fleet 15  
Orleans Yacht Club  
Town Cove, Orleans, Massachusetts  
July 22

## 1 Rules

1.1 Rules will be provided in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 2 Changes to Sailing Instructions

2.1 Any and all aspects of these preliminary Sailing Instructions may be changed by the final Sailing Instructions to be provided and reviewed at the skipper's meeting.

## 3 Number and Schedule of Races

3.1 Each year the OYC Daysailer Club Championship is held on a Sunday afternoon with one race scheduled. The schedule for the day is provided below.

### July 22

1300	Registration and Race Committee Setup
1330	Skipper's meeting
1400 to 1600	Afternoon race
1800	A slightly more formal pot-luck styled dinner known as the OYC Awards Night is held at 1800. This provides plenty of time for race participants to shower and dress appropriately for this event.

## 4 Cancellation

4.1 Should wind, weather or other conditions make it impossible to complete the normal number of races, the day's races shall be terminated and the results based on the number of races completed. The Race Committee shall determine such termination and decisions regarding results.

4.2 If a cancellation may precede the start of racing, any racers and race committee personnel will be contacted by email.

## 5 The Course

5.1 Course H2O will be sailed. The nature of course H2O changes each year and will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 6 Class Flags

6.1 The Daysailer class flag will be used if available, otherwise the "D" flag will be used as the class flag.

## 7 Marks

7.1 The marks will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 8 The Start

8.1 The start sequence will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 9 Recalls

9.1 Procedures for recalls will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 10 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

10.1 Procedures for changing mark positions will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## 11 The Finish

11.1 The nature of the finish will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **12 Penalty System**

**12.1** The penalty system will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

**12.2** Generally anyone filing a protest will be penalized.

## **13 Time Limits and Target Times**

**13.1** Any time limits will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **14 Protests and Requests for Redress**

**14.1** Procedures for protests will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **15 Scoring**

**15.1** The scoring system will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **16 Safety Regulations**

**16.1** Drowning is prohibited.

**16.2** Injuring one's self or other participants is also prohibited.

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

## **17 Replacement of Crew or Equipment**

**17.1** Procedures and possibly requirements for replacement of crew and equipment will be described in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **18 Official Boats**

**18.1** The race committee boat will be marked with the OYC burgee on the hull and will display the Race Committee flag. The race committee boat most often used is a pontoon boat. This detail may be changed in in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **19 Support Boats**

**19.1** Support boats owned by OYC are marked with the OYC burgee. If OYC member boats are used as support boats, skippers will be notified at the skipper's meeting. This detail may be changed in in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **20 Radio Communication**

**20.1** Prohibition or possibly requirement for radio communications will be addressed in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

**20.2** Race committee normally use VHF channel 69, except in rare cases where chatter is present on channel 69. This detail may be changed in in the final Sailing Instructions distributed at the skipper's meeting.

## **21 Prizes**

**21.1** About the only certainty about this race at this time is the prizes. The winner has the dubious honor of being able to display the Old Lady's portrait in their home for the following year. The second place finisher has the dubious honor of being able to display the Captain's portrait in their home for the following year. The winner is responsible for hosting a cocktail party in the following season, generally the night before the Club Championship Race and is responsible for producing the final sailing instructions for the next year's Old Lady's Race. Prizes for all Club Race Series and for the Club Championship and Old Lady's Race are awarded in the evening following the Old Lady's Race at 1800.

## **22 Disclaimer of Liability**

**22.1** Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. Competitors acknowledge that sailing involves potential risks. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against Orleans Yacht Club, DSA Fleet 15, and its officers, directors, members, committees and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of The Racing Rules of Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.