

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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- [DP]** denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification.
- [NP]** denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a board. This changes RRS 60.1.
- [SP]** denotes a rule for which a standard penalty may be applied by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS Appendix A5.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The Class Rules of the participating class will apply:
 - International iQFOiL Class Rules for Men Division and Women Division of iQFOiL Class;
 - International iQFOiL Youth & Junior Class Rules for Youth Division (plus Youth Boys Division and Youth Girls Division), Junior Division (plus Junior Boys Division and Junior Girls Division), Minim Division (plus Minim Boys Division and Minim Girls Division) and Open Division of iQFOiL Class;
 - Techno 293 Class Rules for all divisions of Techno 293 Class; and
 - Raceboard Class Rules for all divisions of Raceboard Class.
- 1.3 International iQFOiL Class Rules and International iQFOiL Youth & Junior Class Rules are amended - see Notice of Race 8.1 and 8.2.
- 1.4 Techno 293 Class Rules are amended - see Notice of Race 8.1.
- 1.5 Raceboard Class Rules are amended - see Notice of Race 8.1.
- 1.6 Hong Kong Sailing Federation Prescriptions will apply.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes before the scheduled attention signal of the race in which it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of the next day's racing will be posted not later than 90 minutes after the end of the last race of the day.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Official Flag Pole.
- 4.2 [DP] [NP] When flag AP is displayed ashore, competitors shall not go afloat. '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes'. This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

5. RACE FORMAT

- 5.1 Classes and divisions may race together depending upon entry numbers.
- 5.2 iQFOiL Class shall race a maximum of 6 races per day (of which no more than 4 races of Inner/Outer Trapezoid Course, Windward Leeward Course, Triangular Course, Trapezoid Course or Reaching Course per day), in a maximum of 8 races for each division, over 2 racing days, a marathon race will be counted as 2 races.
- 5.3 Techno 293 Class and Raceboard Class shall race a maximum of 4 races per day, in a maximum of 6 races for each division, over 2 racing days.
- 5.4 3 races are required to validate the championship for each division.

- 5.5 The event will be postponed if on the first day:
- Tropical cyclone warning signal number 3; or
 - Black rainstorm warning signal

is in force at 07:00.

The second day of the event will be cancelled if on the second day:

- Tropical cyclone warning signal number 3; or
- Black rainstorm warning signal

is in force at 08:00.

- 5.6 Races will not be started if the wind speed is below/above the lower/upper limit:

Class	Division	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
iQFOiL	Men	< 6 knots	> 25 knots
	Women		
	Youth		
	Junior		
	Minim		> 20 knots
	Open		> 25 knots
Techno 293	Junior	< 4 knots	> 25 knots
	Minim		> 20 knots
Raceboard	Men	< 4 knots	> 25 knots
	Women		
	Youth		
	Master		

6. RACE SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The race schedule will be:

Date	Time	Program
Saturday	09:00 - 10:00	Registration
	09:30	Briefing (if necessary)
	11:00	First Possible Attention Signal
	16:00	Last Possible Attention Signal
Sunday	09:00 - 10:00	Registration
	08:45	Briefing (if necessary)
	10:00	First Possible Attention Signal
	14:00	Last Possible Attention Signal
	ASAP	Prize Presentation Ceremony

- 6.2 To alert boards that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound signal for at least 5 minutes before an attention signal is displayed.
- 6.3 4 races of Inner/Outer Trapezoid Course, Windward Leeward Course, Triangular Course, Trapezoid Course or Reaching Course may be sailed ‘back to back’. 6 races of Slalom Course may be sailed ‘back to back’. Races may be sailed before and/or after marathon race.

7. FLAGS

7.1 The flags shall be:

Class	Division	Flag
iQFOiL	Men	White Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’
	Women	Pink Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’
	Youth	Blue Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’
	Youth Boys	
	Youth Girls	
	Junior	Yellow Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’
	Junior Boys	
	Junior Girls	
	Minim	Brown Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’
	Minim Boys	
	Minim Girls	
Open	Violet Flag with Black Letter ‘Foil’	
Techno 293	Junior	Violet Flag with Techno 293 Class Insignia
	Junior Boys	
	Junior Girls	
	Minim Boys	Green Flag with Techno 293 Class Insignia
	Minim Girls	
Raceboard	Men	White Flag with Raceboard Class Insignia
	Women	
	Youth	
	Master	

8. RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area is an area extending 75 meters beyond the course, including the starting line, the finishing line and their extensions, in which a board normally sails while racing.
- 8.2 [DP] [NP] Boards not racing shall avoid the racing area.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions Appendix A shows the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 The course to be sailed will be displayed by course flag and number flag.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 The marks shall be:

Mark	Description, Colour and Shape	
Starting Marks	<u>Starboard End</u> ● Race Committee Signal Boat with Orange Flag	<u>Pin-End</u> ● Race Committee Pin-End Boat with Orange Flag; or ● Orange Cylindrical Mark with Orange Flag
Inner Distance Mark	Red Spherical Mark	
Mark 1/2/3/4/5	Orange Cylindrical Marks	
Mark R	Red Cylindrical Mark	
Mark B	Black Cylindrical Mark	
Offset Mark	White Spherical Mark	
Gate Marks	Orange Cylindrical Marks	
Finishing Marks	● Race Committee Signal Boat with Blue Flag; and ● White Spherical Mark	

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signal(s); the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. This changes RRS Race Signals and RRS 26.

Minutes Before Starting Signal	Visual Signal Displayed	Visual Signal Removed	Sound Signal	Means
3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Class Flag(s); and ● P/I/U/Black Flag 	-	One	Attention Signal
2	Red Flag with '2'	-	One	Warning Signal
1	Yellow Flag with '1'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Red Flag with '2'; and ● P/I/U/Black Flag 	One Long	Preparatory Signal
0	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yellow Flag with '1'; and ● Class Flag(s) 	One	Starting Signal

11.2 The starting line will be between orange flags on the starting marks.

11.3 When inner distance mark is laid, boards starting shall not pass through between the inner distance mark and the race committee signal boat at all times.

11.4 The race committee may signal that boards shall sail on a specific tack during the 10 seconds before and 10 seconds after the starting signal is made, by displaying a green flag for starboard tack or a red flag for port tack, before or with the attention signal.

11.5 A board starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.

11.6 [DP] When a starting sequence is in progress, boards whose attention signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. The starting area is an area extending 75 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.

- 11.6 If flag I has been displayed, and any part of a board's hull, crew or equipment is in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal, she shall thereafter sail from the course side across an extension to the pre-start side before starting. This changes RRS 30.1.
- 11.7 When an individual recall has been signalled or a board breaks RRS 30.3 or 30.4, the race committee will display her sail number on the race committee signal boat before the first competitor has finished the race. Failure to display the sail numbers(s) will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between blue flag and white spherical mark.

14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 14.1 Time limits and target times are in minutes for divisions and as follows:

Class	Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
iQFOiL	30 12 ^{Note 1} 120 ^{Note 2}	10 4 ^{Note 1} 40 ^{Note 2}	15 6 ^{Note 1} 60 ^{Note 2}
Techno 293	30	10	15
Raceboard			

Remarks: Note 1: Only for Slalom Course

Note 2: Only for Marathon Race

- 14.2 The 'Finish Window' determines the number of minutes allowed for competitors to finish after the first competitor finishes. Boards failing

to finish within the time stated in 'Finish Window' shall be scored DNF except those who are scored DSQ, BFD, OCS, UFD, RET, RDG or DNE. This changes RRS 35, Appendix A4 and A5.

15. PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the race office.
- 15.2 Protests and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered at the race office within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 **[DP]** **[NP]** Boards retiring from races shall complete a retirement declaration form at the race office before the protest time limit.
- 15.4 **[DP]** **[NP]** Boards taking a voluntary penalty shall complete the penalty acknowledgment form at the race office before the protest time limit.
- 15.5 For each division, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last board of her division has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals 'AP over A', whichever is later.
- 15.6 Hearing schedules by group, to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as a witness, will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as protests are received at the race office.
- 15.7 Notices of protest by the race committee or jury will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform boards under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.8 Breaches of RRS 77 and rules in the Sailing Instructions marked **[NP]** will not be grounds for a protest by a board. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaches marked **[DP]** are at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.9 On the last day of the event, a request for redress based on protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.10 On the last day of the event, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day or no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 15.11 Protest time limits, hearing schedules and hearing decisions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 Scoring will be according to the RRS Appendix A and B8.
- 16.2 The overall result for all divisions of iQFOiL Class may be published when:
1. All Divisions of iQFOiL Class; or
 2. All Divisions except Minim Boys Division and Minim Girls Division of iQFOiL Class
- are competed together for all races in the event.
- 16.3 The race score for:
1. Youth Boys Division of iQFOiL Class; and
 2. Youth Girls Division of iQFOiL Class
- shall be the finishing place of Youth Division of iQFOiL Class.
- 16.4 The race score for:
1. Junior Boys Division of iQFOiL Class; and
 2. Junior Girls Division of iQFOiL Class
- shall be the finishing place of Junior Division of iQFOiL Class.
- 16.5 The race score for:
1. Minim Boys Division of iQFOiL Class; and
 2. Minim Girls Division of iQFOiL Class
- shall be the finishing place of Minim Division of iQFOiL Class.
- 16.6 The race score for:
1. Junior Boys Division of Techno 293 Class; and
 2. Junior Girls Division of Techno 293 Class
- shall be the finishing place of Junior Division of Techno 293 Class.
- 16.7 A marathon race will be scored as 2 races.
- 16.8 Each board's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her:
- worst score when from 4 to 7 races have been completed; or
 - 2 worst scores when 8 races have been completed.
- This changes RRS Appendix A2.
- 16.9 To request correction of an alleged error in the posted results, a board shall complete a scoring review form available at the race office.

17. [SP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 The safety system applies when flag Y is displayed ashore:
- When going out to race, each competitor intending to race shall personally check out; and
 - On returning ashore, each competitor shall personally check in before the protest time limit.
- 17.2 Competitors retiring before finishing shall inform the race committee (race committee boats or rescue boats) as soon as possible. If this is not possible, the competitor shall inform the race office.
- 17.3 Penalties:
- Failure to check out will result in a 1 point penalty without a hearing for the first race sailed on the day.
 - Failure to check in will result in a 1 point penalty without a hearing for the last race sailed on the day.
 - Application of these penalties shall not result in a board being scored worse than DSQ.
 - Only 1 point penalty for infringements of Sailing Instructions 17.3 will be applied to any one race.
 - If no race is completed on the day of the infringement, the penalty will be applied to the most recent completed race in the series or if there were no races previously completed to the next completed race in the series.

18. [DP] EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 18.1 A board or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and Sailing Instructions. On the water, a board can be instructed by the race committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19. [DP] SAIL IDENTIFICATION

19.1 The sail identification will be:

Class	Division	Sail Identification
iQFOiL	Men	Black Diamond
	Women	Red Diamond
	Youth	Black Triangle (Pointing Down); or Red Triangle (Pointing Up)
	Youth Boys	Black Triangle (Pointing Down)
	Youth Girls	Red Triangle (Pointing Up)
	Junior	Black Diamond; or Red Diamond
	Junior Boys	Black Diamond
	Junior Girls	Red Diamond
	Minim	Black Ribbon on the Top Batten; or Red Ribbon on the Top Batten
	Minim Boys	Black Ribbon on the Top Batten
	Minim Girls	Red Ribbon on the Top Batten
	Open	-
Techno 293	Junior	Black Triangle (Pointing Down); or Red Triangle (Pointing Up)
	Junior Boys	Black Triangle (Pointing Down)
	Junior Girls	Red Triangle (Pointing Up)
	Minim Boys	Black Ribbon on the Top Batten
	Minim Girls	Red Ribbon on the Top Batten
Raceboard	Men	Black Diamond
	Women	Red Diamond
	Youth	Black Triangle (Pointing Down); or Red Triangle (Pointing Up)
	Master	-

20. [DP] [NP] TRASH DISPOSAL

20.1 As sailors, we seek to protect and restore our oceans and coastal

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waters. Boards shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard coach, support and race committee boats.

21. PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be given according to the Notice of Race.

COURSES

Class/Division		Inner Trapezoid Course		Outer Trapezoid Course		Windward Leeward Course		Triangular Course	Reaching Course		Slalom Course
		(I)		(O)		(W)		(T)	(R)		(S)
		Diagram 1		Diagram 2		Diagram 3		Diagram 4	Diagram 5		Diagram 6
		Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	Table 1	Table 2	-	Table 1	Table 2	-
iQFOiL	Men	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Women	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Youth	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Junior	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Minim	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
	Open	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	✓
Techno 293	Junior	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
	Minim	-	-	-	-	-	✓	✓	-	✓	-
Race-board	Men	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
	Women	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
	Youth	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-
	Master	-	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-

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Class/Division		Marathon Race (M)	
		Diagram 7	
		-	
iQFOiL	Men		✓
	Women		✓
	Youth		✓
	Junior		✓
	Minim		✓
	Open		✓
Techno 293	Junior		-
	Minim		-
Race- board	Men		-
	Women		-
	Youth		-
	Master		-

DIAGRAM 2

OUTER TRAPEZOID COURSE (O)

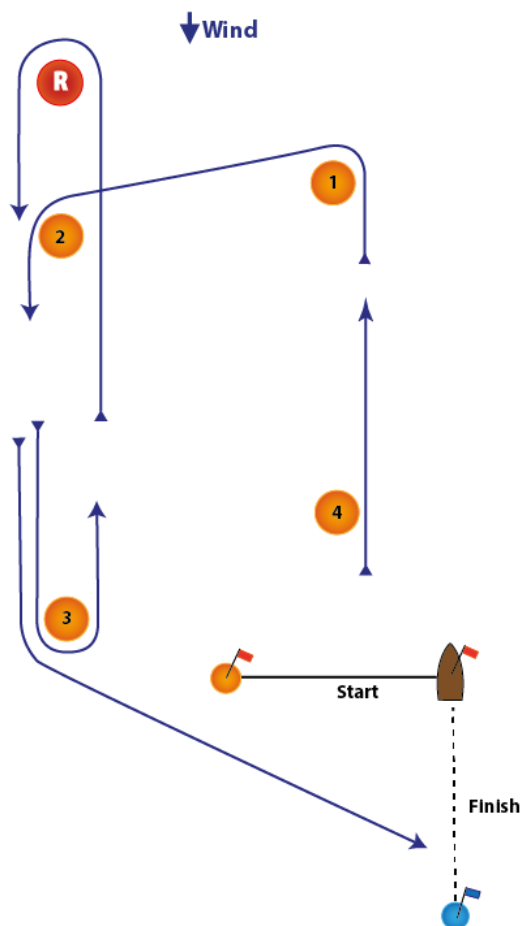


Table 1		
Signal		Mark Rounding Order
O	2	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > R > 3 > Finish
O	3	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > R > 3 > R > 3 > Finish
O	4	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > R > 3 > R > 3 > R > 3 > Finish

Table 2		
Signal		Mark Rounding Order
O	2	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > Finish
O	3	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > Finish
O	4	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > 2 > 3 > Finish

DIAGRAM 3

WINDWARD LEEWARD COURSE (W)

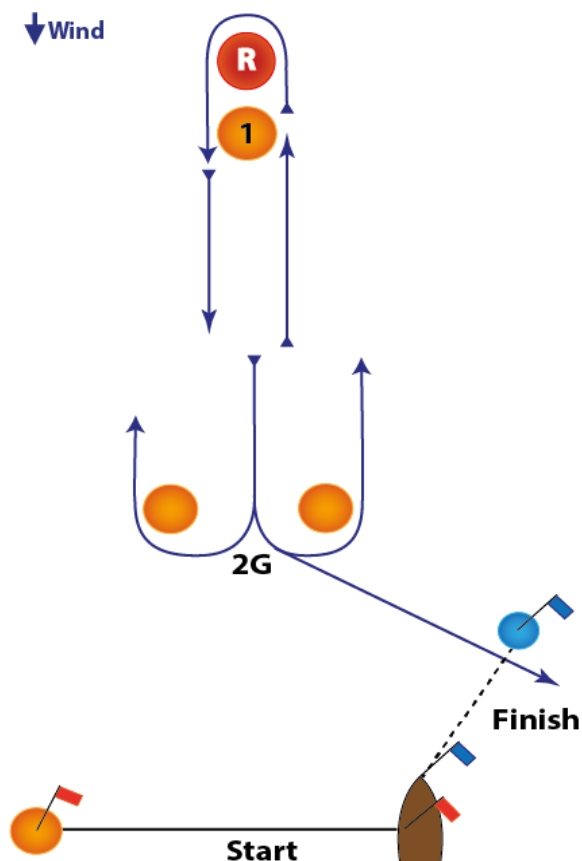
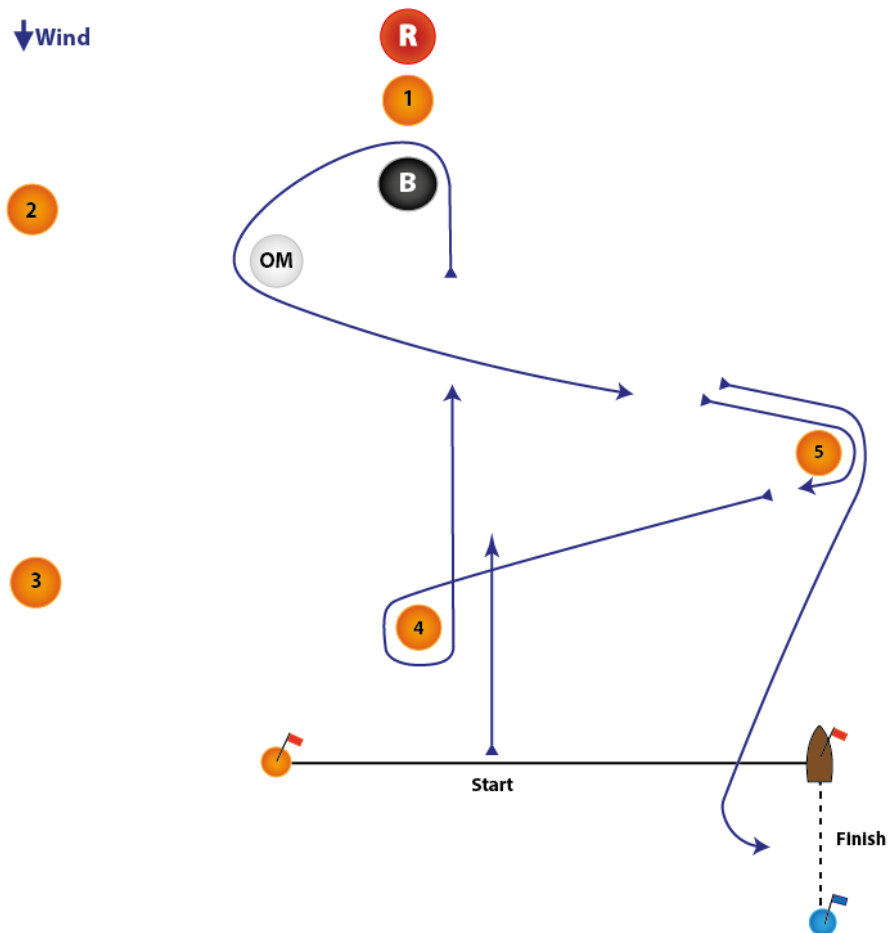


Table 1		Mark Rounding Order
Signal		
W		Start > R > 2G > Finish
W	2	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > Finish
W	3	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > Finish
W	4	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > Finish

Table 2		Mark Rounding Order
Signal		
W		Start > 1 > 2G > Finish
W	2	Start > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > Finish
W	3	Start > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > Finish
W	4	Start > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > 1 > 2G > Finish

DIAGRAM 4

TRIANGULAR COURSE (T)



Signal	Mark Rounding Order	
T	Start > B > OM > 5 > Finish	
T	2	Start > B > OM > 5 > 4 > B > OM > 5 > Finish
T	3	Start > B > OM > 5 > 4 > B > OM > 5 > 4 > B > OM > 5 > Finish
Remark:	OM stands for offset mark	

DIAGRAM 5

REACHING COURSE (R)

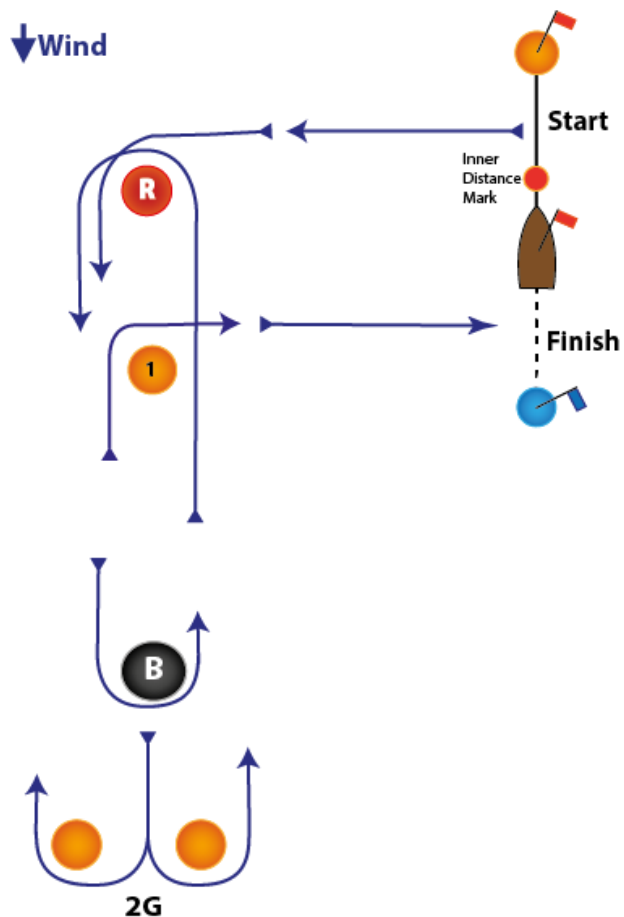
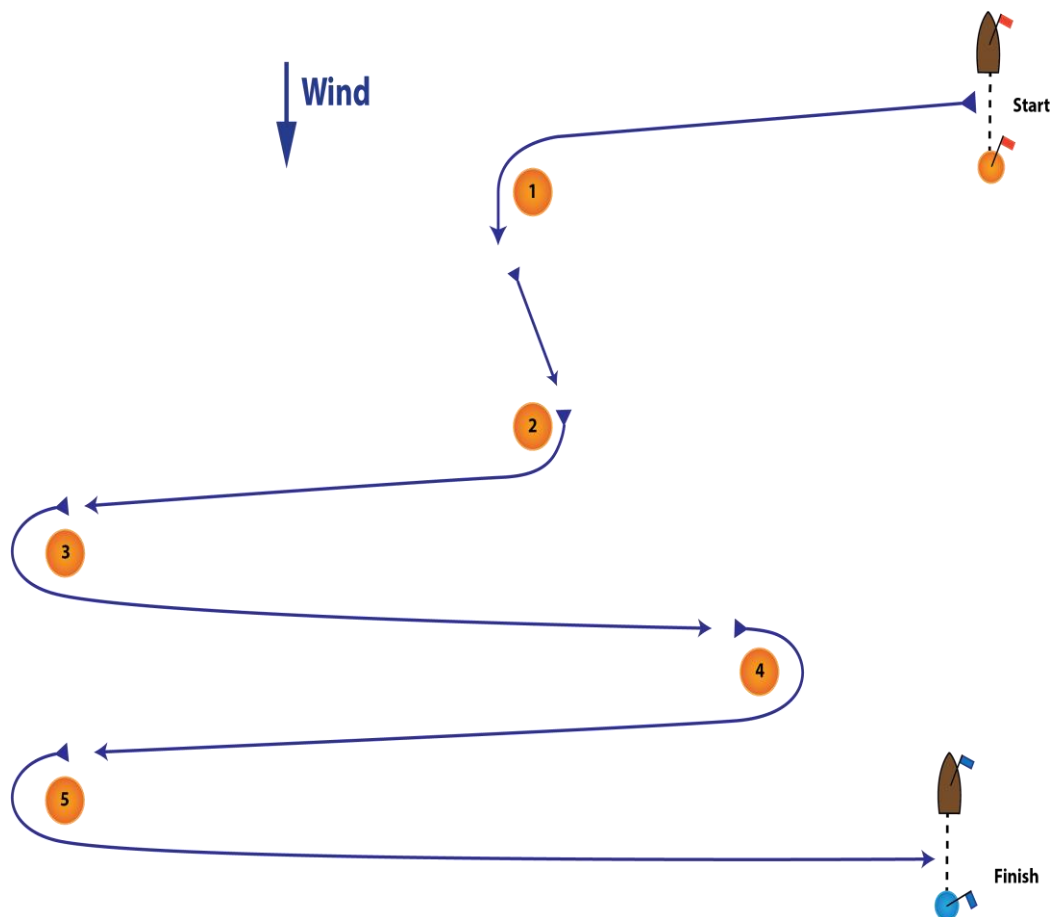


Table 1		
Signal		Mark Rounding Order
R	2	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > 1 > Finish
R	3	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > 1 > Finish
R	4	Start > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > R > 2G > 1 > Finish

Table 2		
Signal		Mark Rounding Order
R	2	Start > R > B > R > B > 1 > Finish
R	3	Start > R > B > R > B > R > B > 1 > Finish
R	4	Start > R > B > R > B > R > B > R > B > 1 > Finish

DIAGRAM 6

SLALOM COURSE (S)



Signal	Mark Rounding Order
S	Start > 1 > 2 > 3 > 4 > 5 > Finish

DIAGRAM 7

MARATHON RACE (M)

TBC

Signal	Mark Rounding Order
M	Start > TBC > Finish