

**2017 Rebel Nationals Sailing Instructions**  
**July 14-16, 2017**  
**Clark Lake Yacht Club Clark Lake, MI**  
**Sailing Instructions**

1. **Rules:** The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, including US Sailing Prescriptions, except as any of these are altered by these sailing instructions.
2. **Notice to Competitors:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board labeled and located on the north window of the east porch of the clubhouse.
3. **Signals Made Ashore:** Signals made ashore will be made from the Race Committee Raft while moored.
4. **Schedule of Races:**
  - 5 Junior Races** are scheduled as follows:
    - 7/14 Friday – Junior skippers meeting (immediately following Senior races)
      - Jr Race 1 Friday – 30 minutes after skippers meeting
      - Jr Race 2 Friday – Back to back
    - 7/15 Jr Race 3 – Saturday - After Senior Races
      - Jr Race 4 – Saturday - Back to back
      - Jr Race 5 – Saturday – Back to back
  - 9 Senior races** are scheduled as follows:
    - 7/14 Sr Race 1 Friday – 1300
      - Sr Race 2 Friday – Back to back
      - Break
      - Sr Race 3 Friday – If Practical
    - 7/15 Sr Race 4 Saturday – 1100
      - Sr Race 5 Saturday – Back to back
      - Lunch
      - Sr Race 6 Saturday – 1330
      - Sr Race 7 Saturday – Back to back
    - 7/16 Sr Race 8 – Sunday – 1000
      - Sr Race 9 Sunday – Back to back

The first race of each day will have a race call (half-hour horn) prior to the start.  
On the last day of the regatta, no warning signal will be made after 1200.

5. **Racing Area:** The racing will be on Clark Lake.
6. **Course:** The courses to be sailed will be displayed on the port side of the Race Committee Raft prior to the warning signal of each race.
7. **Marks:** Inflatable yellow tetrahedrons 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 will be the marks and their general location on the lake will be as indicated on the chart of Clark Lake below. The Background color of the Mark number placard will indicate (red) leave mark to port or (green) leave mark to starboard.

The starting/finishing mark will be an orange or yellow inflatable sphere. The Start-Finish lines will be between the mast flying the "RC-flag" on the Race Committee Raft and the Start or Finish mark.



8. **Check-In:** Prior to the warning signal of the first race of each day, each yacht must sail past the stern of the Race Committee Raft, on Starboard tack, and hail her sail number. Such a hail will be acknowledged.

9. **The Start:** Races shall be started by using a modified Rule 26 sequence as follows:

Signal	Flag and sound		Minutes before starting
Warning	Class flag raised	1 sound	3
Preparatory	Flag P or I raised	1 sound	2
One minute	Prep flag lowered	1 short	1
Starting	Class flag lowered	1 sound	0

\*\*\*\*3 short horns will sounded before the starting sequence of the **second** race of back to back races.

10. **Retirement:** a yacht which retires from a race is asked to notify the Race Committee or RC Support Craft either before leaving the course area or, if that is impossible, as soon as possible after arriving at the Club.

11. **Finishing Boats on the Course:** The Primary Race Officer may finish boats on the course to expedite the race's completion. Such boats will receive the same score they would have received if they had crossed the finish line and have not thereafter retired or been disqualified. This changes Appendix A4.1.

12. **Protests:** "A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee;" this changes 61.1. Protests shall be lodged with the Primary Race Officer within one hour of the Committee Raft's docking; this changes rule 61.3. A schedule of protest hearings will be posted on the official bulletin board.

13. **Scoring:** Low-point scoring will be used as per Appendix A4.1 of the RRS: each yacht starting & finishing a race and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified shall score points equal to her finishing position. Lowest score wins. There will be no throw outs; this changes Appendix A2 of the RRS. Disqualified yachts shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the number of yachts entered in the series; this changes A4.2.