

33rd America's Cup Match

("Match")

From 1st February 2010 to 25th February 2010*

Société Nautique de Genève
("Organising Authority")

Valencia, Spain

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

("SI")

1 RULES

- 1.1 In accordance with the terms of the Deed of Gift which requires in the absence of mutual consent the Match be governed by SNG's "*rules and sailing regulations so far as they do not conflict with the provisions of this Deed of gift*", the Match will be governed by the following:
- (a) The Deed of Gift dated 24th October 1887 as amended by the orders of the Supreme Court of the State of New York dated 17th December 1956, 20th September 1984, and 5th April 1985;
 - (b) the Notice of Race published by the Organising Authority pursuant to RRS 89;
 - (c) these Sailing Instructions published by the Race Committee pursuant to RRS 90.2; and
 - (d) the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2009-2012 ("RRS") with Appendix C as amended by the documents precedent and by the NOR and these SI.
- 1.2 Any conflict in the rules shall be resolved by applying the rule in the first listed document above which shall prevail over a conflicting rule in a subsequently listed document.
- 1.3 A copy of all the above documents and rules will be available at <http://www.americascup.com> except that any document published by ISAF is available on ISAF's website at <http://www.sailing.org>.

* Subject to extension pursuant to SI 5.2

1.4 For the avoidance of doubt:

- (a) RRS Appendices A, B, D, and E shall not apply;
- (b) The ISAF Equipment Rules of Sailing 2009 – 2012 shall not apply;
- (c) ISAF Regulations shall not apply, unless stated to apply in the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions;
- (d) All past trustee interpretative resolutions issued prior to 2 March 2003 were repealed by SNG in 2003 and are of no further effect; and
- (f) The Prescriptions of Swiss Sailing and of the ISAF Member National Authority of the venue of the Match shall not apply (this has been mutually agreed by both competitors and approved ISAF).

1.5 The RRS are changed as follows:

- (a) RRS 31 is modified as a consequence of amendments made to Appendix C (see below) by adding the following sentence:

“An entry mark ranks as a starting mark until the boats have satisfied C 4.2”

- (b) RRS 41 (c) and (d) are deleted and replaced with:

“(c) communications to and from the Umpires and Race Committee to the competing boats via equipment to be provided by the Race Committee, the use of GPS devices, low power onboard communication systems, use of onboard laser, radar and other detection equipment operated solely from onboard, and the operation of onboard event broadcast equipment, and to permit any actions authorised by the NOR and the SI.”

- (c) RRS 47.2 is deleted and replaced with:

“No person on board shall intentionally leave, except when ill or injured, or to help a person or vessel in danger. The boat shall decide whether a crew member recovered by another vessel is to be returned to the boat; if so, the crew member shall be returned to the boat without penalty by only the boat’s chase boat”

- (d) RRS 49 to RRS 54 (inclusive) are deleted. For the avoidance of doubt anything that may have been prohibited by such rules is permitted.

- (e) RRS 62.1 is amended by altered by adding:

“(e) an illegal or accidental action by a third party that causes serious damage to a boat; “

- (f) RRS 63.3(a) is amended by the deletion of the first two sentences and replaced with:

“The parties to the hearing, or representatives of each, have the right to be present throughout the hearing of all the evidence. When a protest claims a breach of a rule of Part 2, 3 or 4, the representatives of boats need not have been onboard at the time of the incident”.

- (g) RRS 78 is amended so that a reference to “*class rules*” in RRS 78 is deemed to be a reference to and compliance with the respective measurement requirements specified in NOR 7.
- (h) Pursuant to RRS 86.1(b) the number of hull lengths determining a zone around marks for all marks and/or mark boats is four (4).
- (i) RRS Appendix C is amended (which has been approved by ISAF) as follows:

- (i) Delete RRS C2.5
- (ii) Delete RRS C3.1 and replace with:

“C3.1 Starting Signals

The signals for starting a match shall be as follows. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the failure of a sound signal shall be disregarded:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Time in minutes</i>	<i>Visual Signal</i>
Attention	10	Flag F displayed
Warning	6	Flag F removed and Warning Signal (Event /Class Flag referred to in SI 6) displayed
Preparatory	5	Flag P Displayed
	3	Blue or Yellow flag or both* displayed
Starting	0	Warning signal removed and Flag P removed

*These signals shall be made only if one or both boats fail to comply with

RRS C4. The flag(s) shall be displayed until the umpires have signaled a penalty or for one minute, whichever is earlier.

- (iii) The first sentence of C4.1 is deleted and replaced with:

“At her preparatory signal each boat shall be outside the line that is at a 90° angle to the starting line through the mark at her assigned end of the Entry Line. (See the course diagram in Attachment 2 to the Sailing Instructions for the general position of the entry mark and the Entry Line)”

- (iv) C4.2 is deleted and replaced with:

“Within the two minute period following her preparatory signal, a boat shall cross and clear the line between the entry mark and the RC Boat (the Entry Line), the first time from the course side to the pre-start side. After that, or after the end of the two minute period following the preparatory signal, the entry mark no longer ranks as a mark for the purpose of the definition of a *mark*.

- (v) Delete RRS C7.3(a)
- (vi) Delete RRS C10 and C11
- (vii) Delete RRS C6.6(b) (1).

- 1.6 Information and instructions concerning the Broadcast and telemetry equipment that may be required to be installed on each boat by the Host Broadcaster authorised by the Organising Authority will be contained in a Notice to Competitors to be issued on or before 28th January 2010 which shall be part of these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.7 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- 1.8 Attention is drawn to RRS 3 (Acceptance of the Rules) of Part 1 (Fundamental Rules), which provides that by participating in a race conducted under ISAF RRS each competitor and boat owner agrees;
 - (a) to be governed by the *rules*, (as such word is defined in the RRS);
 - (b) to accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules, subject to the appeal as the final determination of any matter arising under the *rules*; and
 - (c) with respect to any determination, not to resort to any court of law or tribunal.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors, Jury Notices (including the time and place of protest hearings), Measurement Notices, and changes to the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the ground floor of the Race Officials Offices in the eastern tower of the Antiguo Edificio Varadero. Notices may also be sent electronically by e-mail, SMS, and/or posted on an electronic notice board. A notice posted on the Official Notice Board will be deemed to have been given to the Competitor concerned.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 2100 on the day proceeding the day it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on a mast on top of the East Tower of the Antiguo Edificio Varadero:

- (a) Flag "AP" displayed ashore means: "All races are postponed".
- (b) Following a postponement signal made ashore, the rescheduled time for the Warning Signal will be posted on the Official Notice Board before the lowering of Flag "AP" and the Warning Signal will not be made less than 3 hours after the posting.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Scheduled dates of racing:

Race 1: Monday 8th February 2010	First Race
Race 2: Wednesday 10 th February 2010	Second Race
Race 3: Friday 12 th February 2010 (if required)	Third race (if required)
15 th February 2010 to the 25 th February 2010* (inclusive)	Reserve Days

5.2 The Race Committee shall add at any time any number of additional Reserve Days as may be necessary to determine a winner of the Match. Both competitors have agreed one (1) day shall intervene between each completed race, and such intervening day need not be a week day.

5.3 There shall be a minimum of two (2) races and a maximum of three (3) races.

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- 5.4 If a race is cancelled, abandoned or postponed that race will be sailed on the next scheduled date and the subsequent races shall be postponed accordingly.
- 5.5 If a race is a dead heat, no boat finishes, both boats are disqualified, or one boat fails to finish and the other is disqualified, the race shall be re-sailed.
- 5.6 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each day of racing is 1000 hours.
- 5.7 After a long postponement, to alert boats that a race will begin soon, the Race Committee will advise both boats by safety radio approximately 15 minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.8 The Race Committee will conduct a time check with both boats over the safety radio approximately 60 minutes before the scheduled warning signal.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Official 33rd Americas Cup event flag as depicted in a notice to Competitors to be issued on or before 28 January 2010.

7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing area.
- 7.2 The Race Committee will provide the intended Course Rendezvous Location of the Starting Area by email and/or the Safety Radio at least two hours thirty minutes prior to the scheduled attention signal.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 2 show the courses for Race 1, Race 2 and Race 3 including the approximate angles between course legs and the order in which marks are to be passed.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display either a red flag or a green flag to identify on which side the windward mark, and for Race 2 both marks are to be left.
- 8.3 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.4 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 8.5 Legs of the course will not be changed after the preparatory signal. This changes RRS 33.

- 8.5 In compliance with the Deed of Gift that the first leg of Race 1 and Race 3 be “twenty nautical miles to windward” and that in Race 2 “the first side of which a boat to windward”, the Race Committee may abandon any race prior to the first boat rounding the first mark where in its opinion there is a permanent wind shift of 25° or more from the course direction advised by the Race Committee at the warning signal.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1 and 2 (if used) will be an 8.5 metre Protector RIB with an Orange inflatable tetrahedron on the cabin top and Orange tubes.
- 9.2 The starting and finishing mark will be an 8.5 metre Protector RIB with an Orange inflatable tetrahedron on the cabin top and Orange tubes.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

Any commercial cargo ship steaming through the course area shall become an obstruction when a boat is less than 1000 metres from that ship.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule C3.1 as modified by these SI with the attention signal made 10 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and the bow of the 8.5 metre RIB Mark described in SI 9.2.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

A leg of a course shall not be changed.

13 THE FINISH

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and the bow of the 8.5 metre RIB Mark as described in SI 9.2.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS C7 applies as amended by these SI.

15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

The time limit is 7 hours.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 The red protest flag used in accordance with RRS 61.1 shall be not less than 50cm on the hoist and 50cm on the fly.
- 16.2 Protest forms are available at the Jury Office, located in Antiguo Edificio Varadero. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there or by email within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.3 The protest time limit is 2 hours 30 minutes after the last boat has finished.
- 16.4 Notices 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. Protest Notices may also be sent to the appropriate parties by email. A Protest Notice posted on the Official Notice Board will be deemed to meet the requirements of RRS 63.2. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Antigua Edifical Varadero, beginning at the time posted.
- 16.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or the International Jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.6 Breaches of the Sailing Instructions 18.2, 21, 23, and 24, will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification.
- 16.7 On completion of a race after which a competitor has won two races, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

- 16.8 On completion of a race after which a competitor has won two races, a request for redress based on an International Jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16.9 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

17 SCORING

The winner of the 33rd America's Cup Match shall be the first boat to win two (2) races.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 The following equipment shall be aboard the boat while racing:
- (a) life-jackets, of a size suitable for, and a number not less than the number of people aboard the boat;
 - (b) a horseshoe type lifebuoy, fitted with a whistle, kept on deck or in the cockpit within reach of the crew;
 - (c) an orange smoke canister, kept on deck or in the cockpit within reach of the crew, capable of being thrown in the direction of a person overboard to alert other vessels that a person is overboard;
 - (d) a small airhorn or similar sound signal device but not a whistle.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 18.3 When racing, boats shall comply with the Convention on the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972 in respect of any other non-competing vessel.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of crew or damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed while racing. Any substitution made when not racing is governed by NOR 7.7 and the measurement procedures referred to in NOR 7.3.

20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Deed of Gift, the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21 ADVERTISING

As authorised by ISAF Regulation 20, boats shall display advertising supplied by the organising authority as follows:

- (a) Up to the first 20% of the forward part of each side of each hull;
- (b) Up to the foremost 20% of each side of the mainsail boom; and
- (c) an event sponsors flag to be carried throughout the event including when the boat is in harbour or ashore.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows.

- (a) The Race Committee Signal Boat is a 14 metre Power Catamaran painted white.
- (b) The Mark Boats used as marks will be 8.5 metre Protector RIB's with orange pontoons, an orange stripe on each side of the cabin and once on station a large orange tetrahedron on the cabin roof.
- (c) The Patrol Boats will be 8.5 metre Protector RIB's with grey pontoons and a yellow stripe on the cabin sides.
- (d) The Course Marshal Boat will be an 8.5 metre Protector RIB with grey pontoons and a yellow stripe on the cabin sides.
- (e) The Umpire Boats will be 2 - 8.5 metre Protector Rib's with orange pontoons and white cabin sides. The wing boat will be an 8.5 metre Protector centre console RIB. All three boats will be identified with the wording of Umpire both sides.
- (f) The Red Cross Boats are clearly identified as such.
- (g) Competitor and Organising Authority Hospitality boats shall carry an identification flag to be issued by the Race Committee.

23 SUPPORT BOATS

- 23.1 All competitor support boats shall stay outside the areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the Race Committee signals a postponement, recall or abandonment except as permitted by SI 23.2.
- 23.2 Each competitor may have up to one (1) Tender not more than 20 metres in length and two (2) Chase Boats not more than 14 metres in length which shall after the start follow the competing boats at a distance of not less than 100 metres from their boat unless the boats are within one (1) mile of each other in which case not less than 100 metres from the trailing boat.
- 23.3 Competitor Tenders and Chase Boats shall be clearly identified as to which competitor they are there to assist.
- 23.4 Further instructions will be provided by the Race Committee to support boats prior to the scheduled start of the first race.

24 HOSPITALITY BOATS

Each competitor and the Organising Authority shall be entitled to maintain up to four hospitality boats in the flag area adjacent to the course area as shown in Attachment 2. No hospitality boat shall enter the course area at any time without prior authorisation from the Race Committee. All other competitor boats other than the competing boat and authorised support boats (which are governed by SI 23), shall remain outside the course area and flag area as may be directed from time to time by the Race Committee. Further instructions will be provided by the Race Committee prior to the scheduled start of the first race.

25. TRASH DISPOSAL AND ENVIROMENTAL PROTECTION

Boats shall not put trash in the water, or shall fail to fully recover anything intentionally left by the boat in the water. A boat's Chase Boats shall recover any trash or other item left in the water from the boat.

26. BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their places in the Darsena Harbour of Valencia or in the outer harbour of the Darsena allocated to the respective competitor by the Consortio Valencia 2007.

27. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 27.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall not make any radio or any other transmissions while racing, or receive any radio or other transmissions except as permitted by RRS 41 as amended by these Sailing Instructions. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones or any other form of communication.
- 27.2 (a) Each boat and that boat's Chase Boat shall carry on board a two-way handheld VHF "Safety" Radio issued by the Race Committee. For the avoidance of doubt, while racing the use of the Safety Radio by the boat or her Chase Boat for safety or emergency communication is permitted.
- (b) When radio advice may be given using the Safety Radio in addition to signals prescribed in the RRS, it shall not be grounds for redress should the Race Committee or Umpires fail to give that radio advice or the boat fails to receive it.

28 PRIZES

The winner shall be presented with possession the America's Cup to be held in accordance with the terms of the Deed of Gift dated 24th October 1887. In the event GGYC win the Match, an Assignment and Acceptance shall be executed by SNG and GGYC in the form required by the Deed of Gift, prior to presentation.

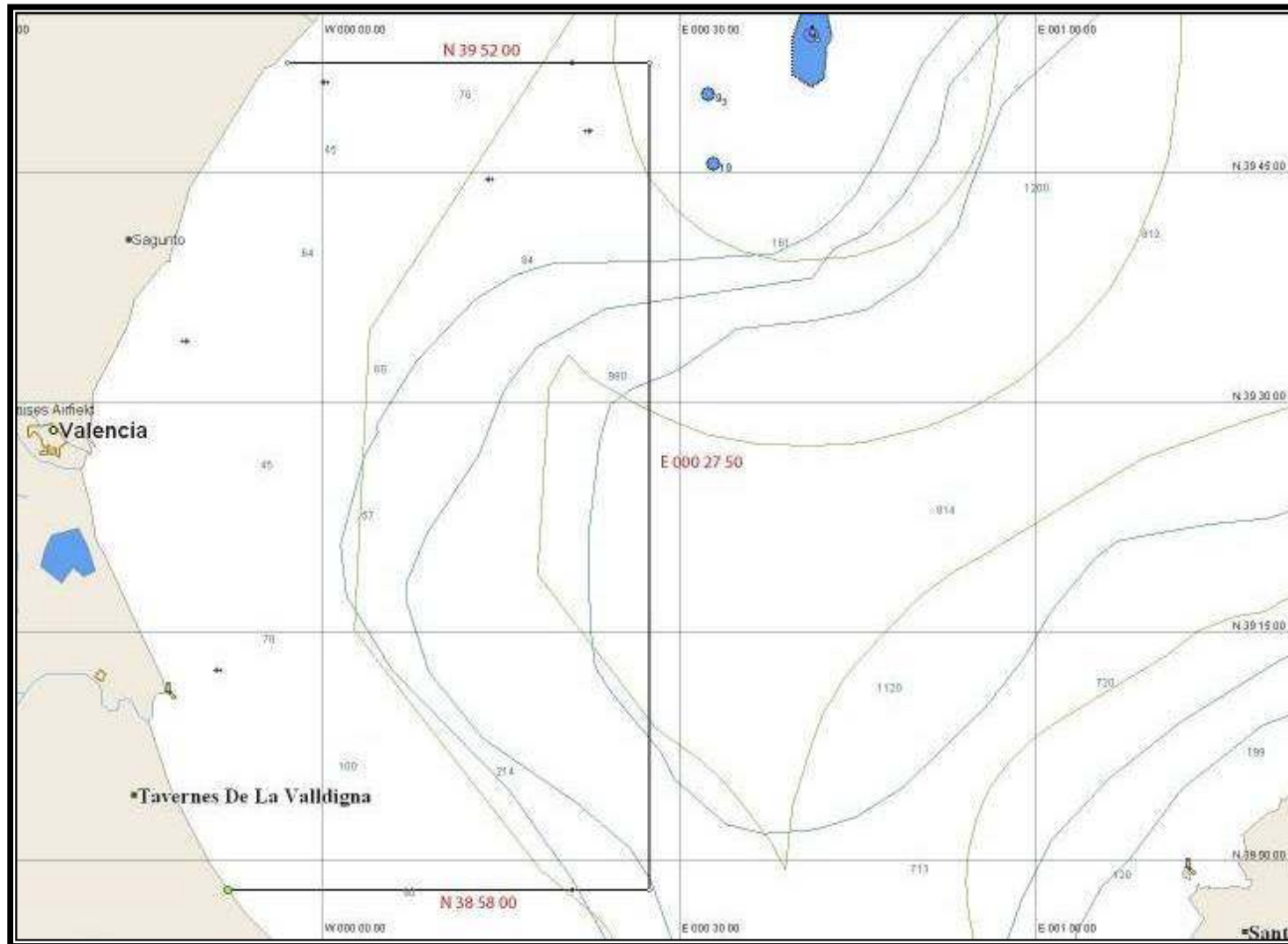
29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organising 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.

30. ANTI-DOPING

ISAF has advised Regulation 21 shall apply.

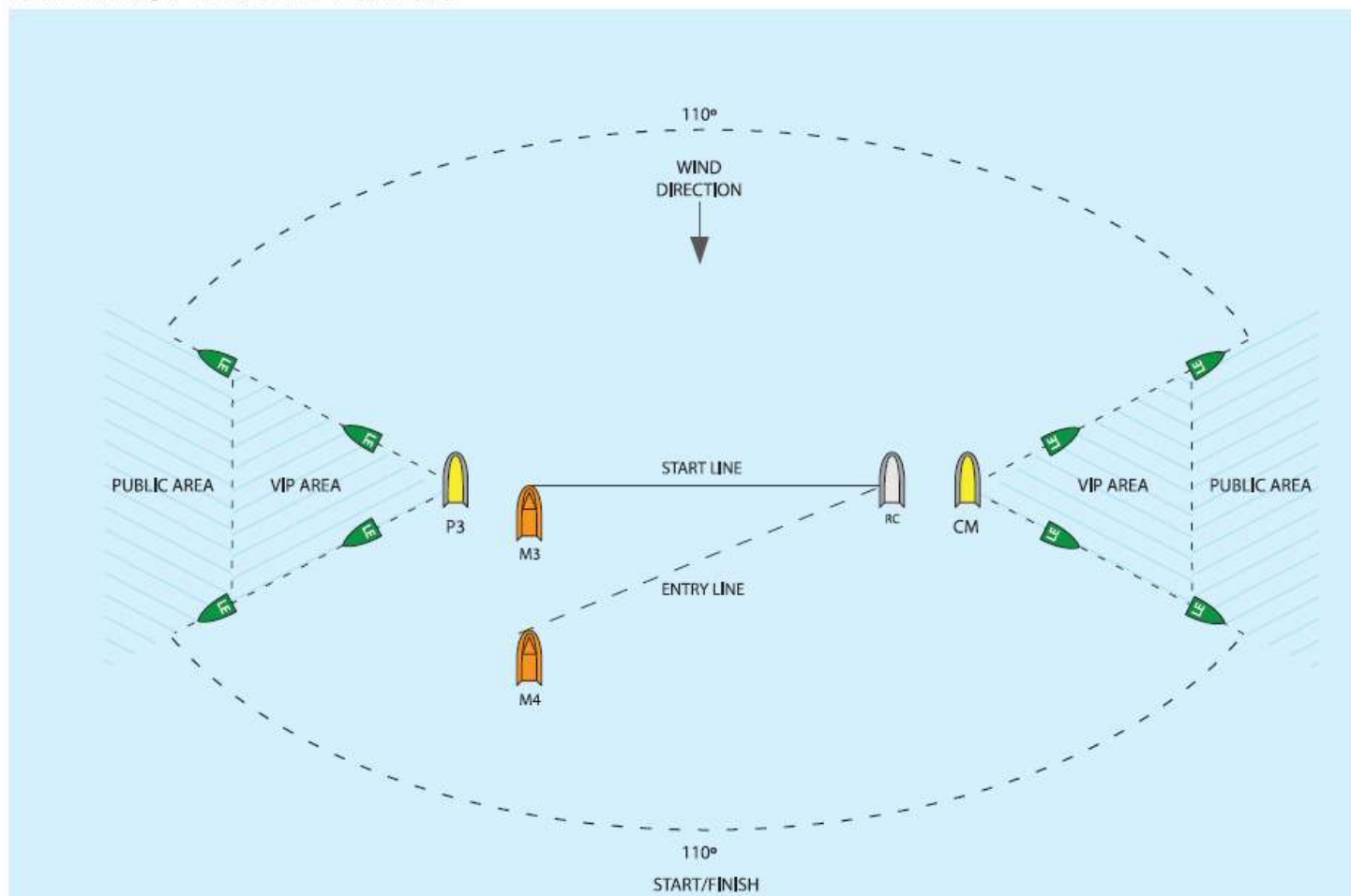
Attachment 1. Race Area



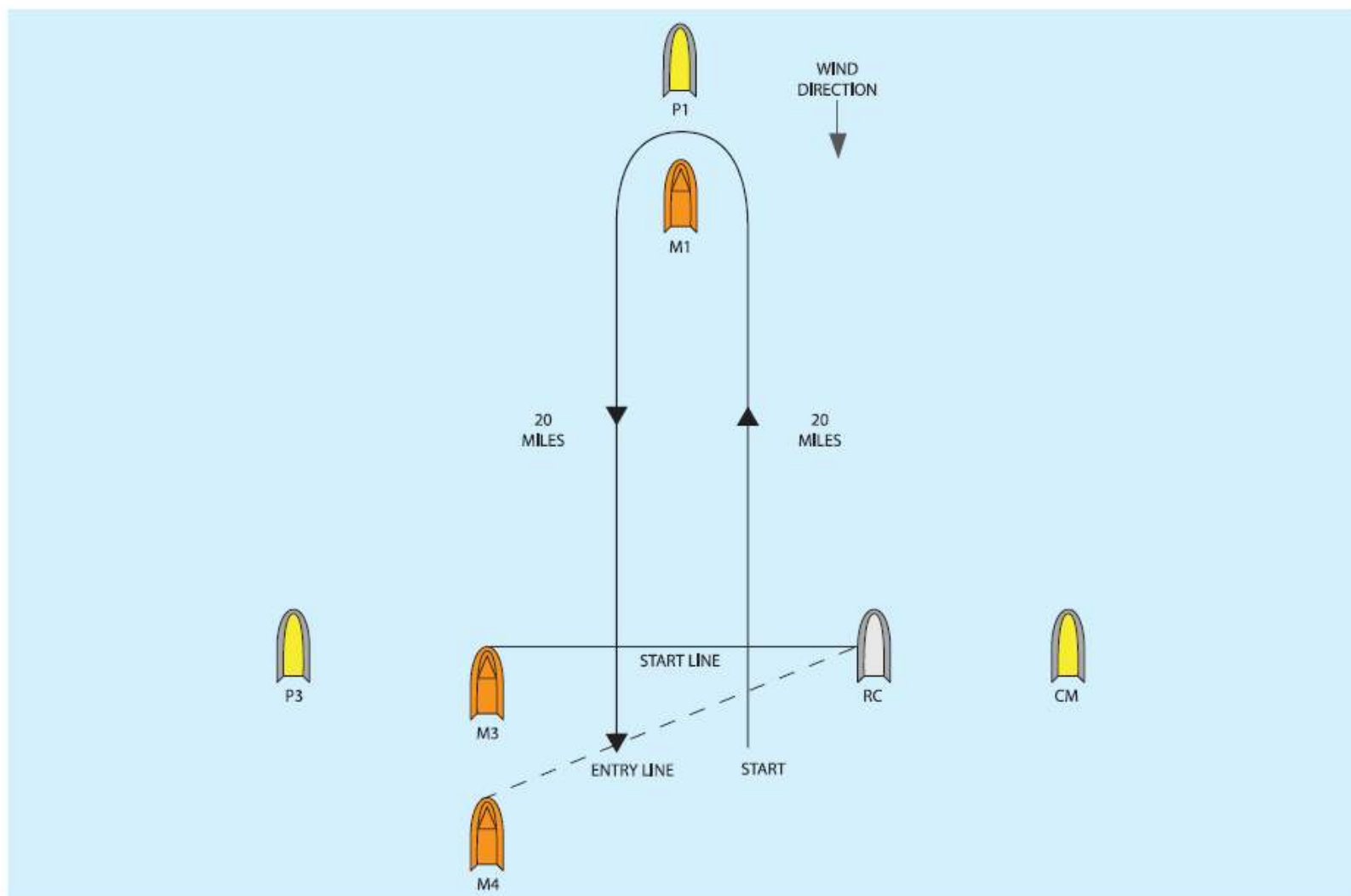
Attachment 2. Course Diagrams and Descriptions

Note: These diagrams show marks be rounded to port for illustration purposes only. Mark rounding may be either to port or starboard and will be signalled in accordance with SI 8.2.

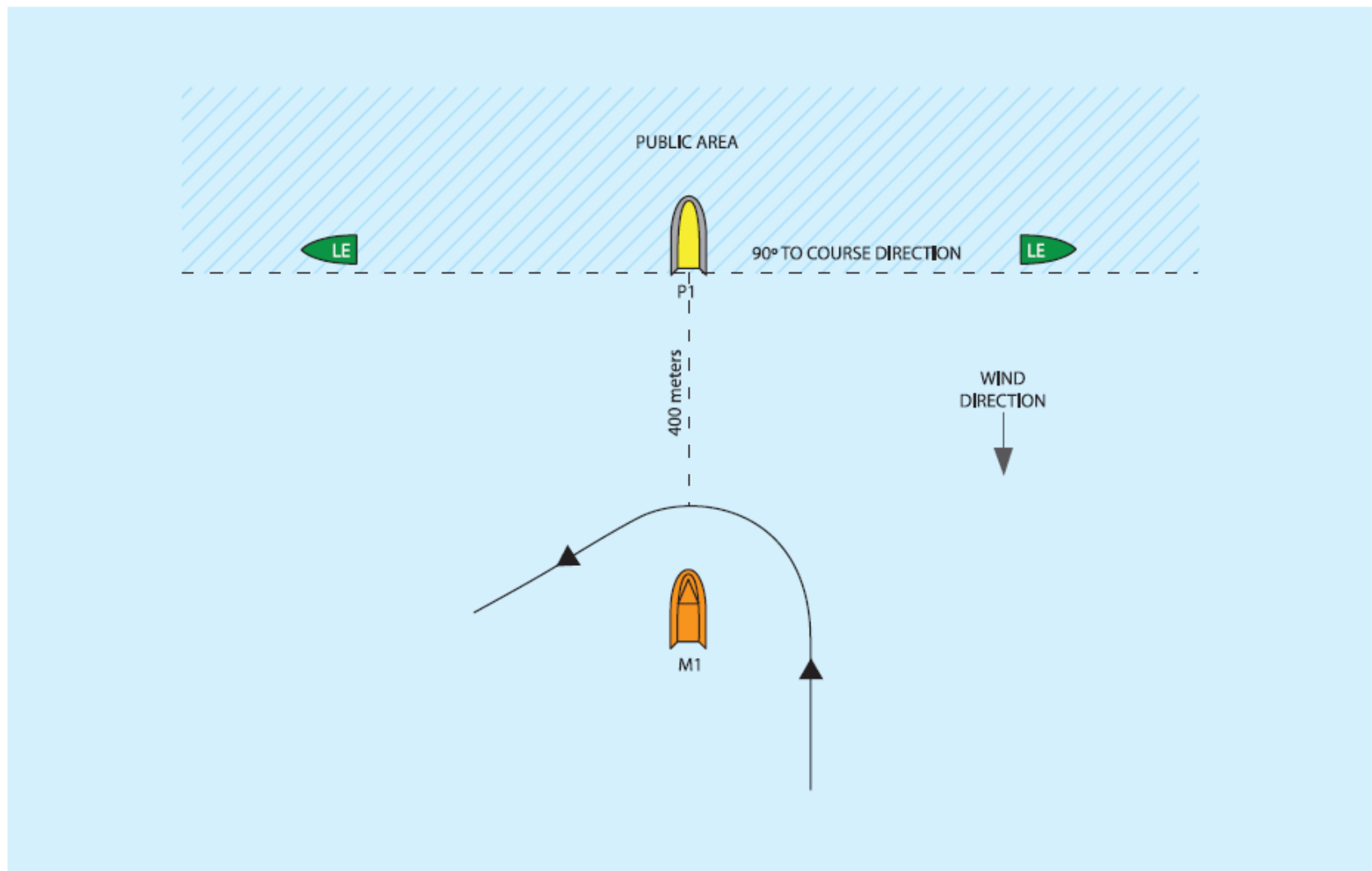
START/FINISH AREA



RACE 1 & 3



WINDWARD MARK



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