



2019 OAKCLIFF TRIPLE CROWN SERIES

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With support from US Sailing

Stage 1

September 14-15, 2019

Sailing Instructions

Abbreviations:

PC – protest committee	RC – race committee
OA – organizing authority	NA – national authority
RRS – racing rules of sailing	SI – sailing instructions
IJ – international jury	NOR – notice of race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Class Rules for the i470, 49er, and 49erFX classes will apply however IHC stickers will not be required on masts and sails and country flags will not be required on sails.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures For Rule 42, will apply as changed by Addendum F.
- 1.4 Races will be conducted using modified Umpired Fleet Racing as described in Addendum F.
- 1.5 US Sailing Prescriptions 63.2 & 63.4 will not apply.

2 IDENTIFICATION

Appendix G3, Identification on sails, will apply. Boats chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of class rules. In no circumstances will a boat be permitted to race displaying the sail number of another boat in her class that is racing. This changes rule G3.

3 CAMERA AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Competitors may be required to carry on board cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organizing authority. A boat shall not be given redress based on a claim involving this equipment. This changes rule 62.1. All competitors are requested to send video or photos to pr@oakcliffsailing.org to be uploaded to the Oakcliff Sailing Facebook page and website.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the door of the shipping container at Oakcliff Sailing's Beach.

5 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be made by 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.
- 5.2 Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water and communicated to the competitors with the help of umpire and support boats.

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official Notice Board and competitors will be notified through YachtScoring.com. When a signal is displayed over a class flag, it applies to that class only.
- 6.2 If AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

7 SCHEDULE

Friday, October 19	0900-1800	Mandatory on-site check in at Oakcliff Office
Saturday, October 20	0900	Competitors Meeting at Oakcliff Sailing Beach
	1030	First Signal
	1830	Casual Dinner at Oakcliff Sailing – 2 South Street (Self-Serve BBQ)
Sunday, October 21	1030	First Signal
	1500	No races to be started after

Prize giving at the Oakcliff Beach following racing

8 FORMAT OF RACING

- 8.1 12 fleet races are scheduled for each class.
- 8.2 A maximum of 6 races per day for each fleet may be sailed at the discretion of the race committee.

9 CLASS FLAGS

- 9.1 The class flag for the 49er class will be the 49er Class Flag

- 9.2 The class flag for the 49erFX class will be the 49er FX Class Flag
- 9.3 The class flag for the 470 Class will be the 470 Class Flag

10 RACING AREA

- 10.1 Addendum A shows the approximate location of the race area.
- 10.2 The course location will be Cold Spring Harbor or Long Island Sound.

11 COURSES

- 11.1 Addendum B describes the course to be sailed.
- 11.2 Code Flag Charlie displayed with or before the warning signal of a class, with repeated sounds, means the first windward mark will be the change mark. Subsequent classes may or may not be started with Code Flag Charlie.
- 11.3 On the last leg to the finish, Mark 2B does not need to be honored.
- 11.4 Course Limits
No part of a boat's hull shall sail inside of an area three (3) boat lengths from a commercial fisherman. This area is designated as an obstruction for purposes of Part 2 of the RRS. A breach of this sailing instruction is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by umpires in accordance with SI Addendum F 4.1G. This changes rule 63.1.

12 MARKS

- 12.1 Mark 1 will be a Yellow Tetrahedron
- 12.2 Marks 2A and 2B will be short orange cylinders, and form a gate.
- 12.3 If only one orange cylinder is set, it will be Mark 2A (port).
- 12.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying the Oakcliff flag on the Signal boat and the course side of a yellow inflatable mark on the port side of the line.
- 12.5 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Signal boat and the course side of a red inflatable mark on the starboard side of the line.
- 12.6 The windward change mark will be a tall orange cylinder.

13 START

- 13.1 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 13.2 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.
- 13.3 Boats whose sails numbers are hailed as BFD or UFD by an umpire boat following a Black Flag or U Flag Start shall clear the racecourse.
- 13.4 Classes may be started in any order at the discretion of the RC.

14 CHANGE OF COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next windward mark of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and signal a course change at the gate according to RRS 33 with the addition of the class flag of the class who's course is being changed.
- 14.2 The gate may be adjusted to be squared without signaling a course change while boats are on the first half of the leg. This modifies RRS 33.

15 TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The time limits and target time for each class (in minutes) are as follows:

Class	Race Limit	First Mark Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
49er	45	15	10	25
49er FX	45	15	10	25
470	60	25	15	40

- 15.2 A race in which no boat in a Class rounds the first mark within the above First Mark Limit following the start, or sails the course and finishes within the Race Limit following the start, will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within the finish window (the time after the first boat sails the course and finishes) will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 15.4 Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

16 APPEALS

- 16.1 Decisions of an International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 16.2 US Sailing has granted this event permission to use the test rules of Addendum F which includes limitations on appeals as defined in Addendum F #5.2. The letter granting permission will be posted on the notice board.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 17.2 When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 PRIZES

- 18.1 Oakcliff prizes will be awarded to the top three (3) finishers in each class.
- 18.2 Prize grants will be awarded in accordance with NOR 14 and NOR B.

19 SUPPORT & COACH BOATS

- 19.1 Except when rendering assistance to a boat in danger at the boat's request or at the request of the race committee, support and coach boats shall stay 100 feet outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Preparatory Signal for the first Class to start until the time the last boat finishes or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The Race Committee will communicate over VHF CH 69.
- 19.2 The penalty for failing to comply with these requirements or the oral instructions of the race committee, the protest committee or umpires will be at the discretion of the protest committee. The penalty may be imposed on any or all boats associated with the support or coach boat. This adds to RRS 64.4.

20 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 20.1 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall promptly report this to the race committee or umpires and receive acknowledgement. If this is not possible, she shall promptly report her actions to a member of the Organizing Authority on shore at the launching area or in the Oakcliff office.
- 20.2 Prior to the Warning Signal for the first race a boat is scheduled to sail each race day, the boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the Signal Boat, and shall hail her sail number and skipper last name until acknowledged by the race committee.
- 20.3 The penalty for failing to comply with SI 20.2 will be finishing place plus two (2) points without a hearing, but not worse than DNF for her first race of the day. This changes rule 63.1 and 64.1

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile devices.

22 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 22.1 Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.
- 22.2 Competitors are asked to bring reusable water bottle to be refilled aboard race committee and coach boats. Oakcliff does not support the use of single-use bottles.

23 DISCLAIMER

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, race committee, host club and their officers, employees and volunteers 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.

24 OAKCLIFF POLICY

Whenever you are representing Oakcliff Sailing it is expected that you will behave in a professional manner. Any time you are wearing Oakcliff Sailing Center or organization branded gear, at a sponsored event, at a sailing event as part of Oakcliff Sailing, at the Oakcliff Sailing Center, or on their boats, you are representing Oakcliff. The community at large and specifically the sailing community, sponsors and suppliers, and other employees and volunteers are to be treated with respect. There is to be no harassment or discrimination. No underage drinking or promoting of underage drinking or illegal drug use is permitted while you are on Oakcliff Sailing Center property or representing the Oakcliff Sailing Center.

25 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum policy limit of US \$500,000 per occurrence or the equivalent.

26 CONTACTS

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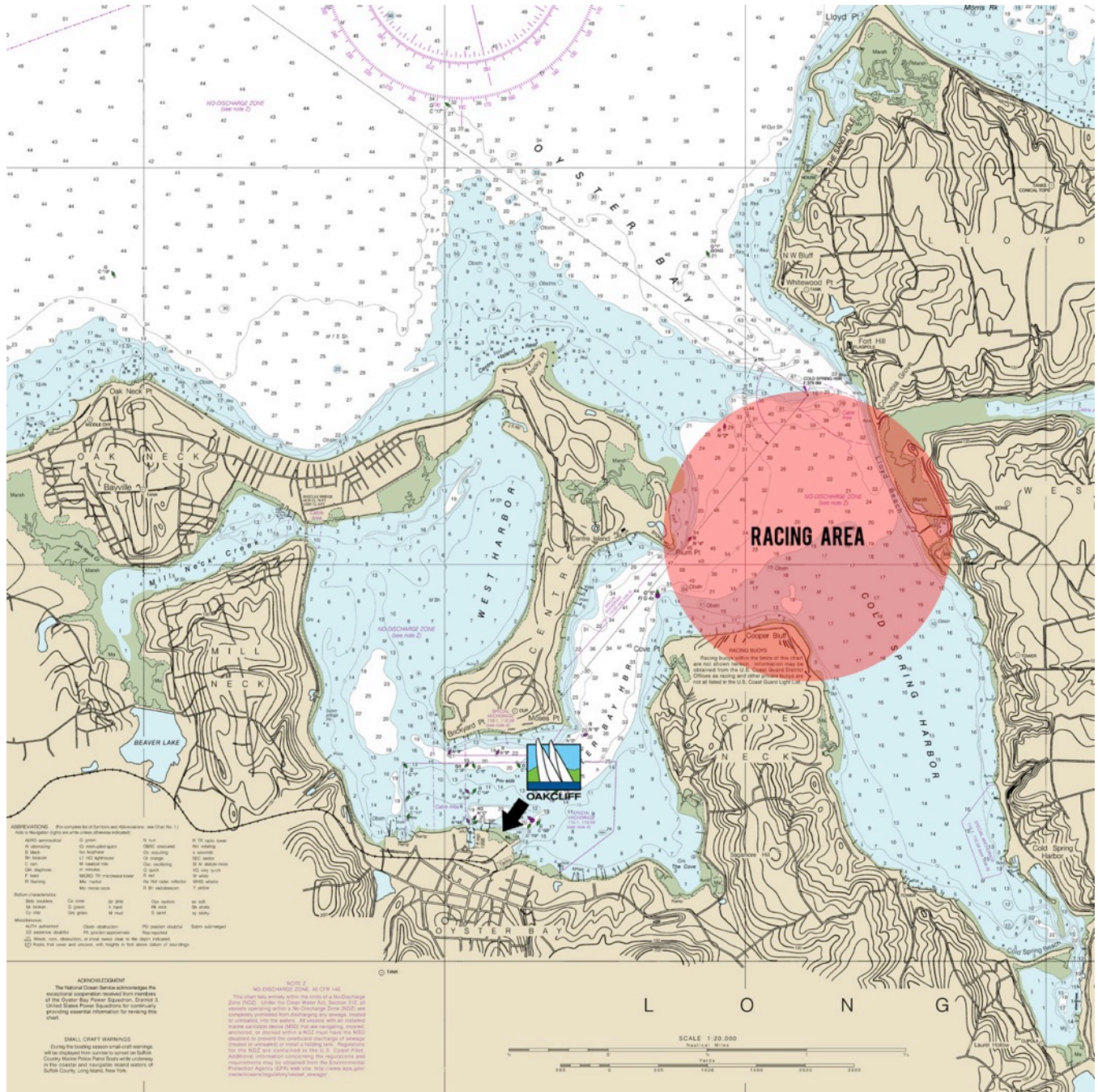
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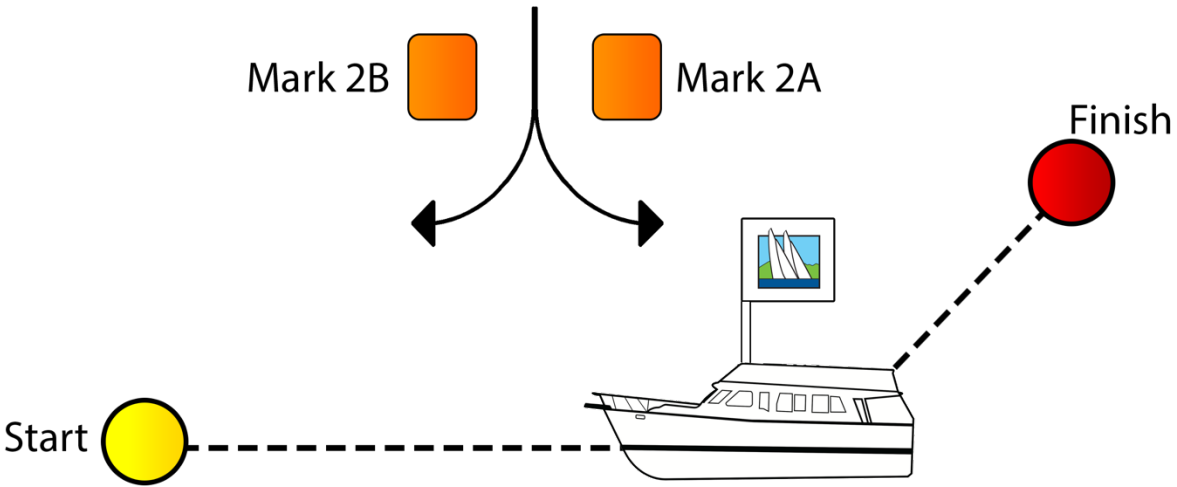
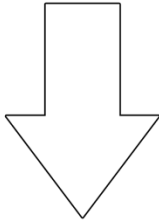
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ADDENDUM A

RACING AREA



**ADDENDUM B
COURSES**



Course	
	Start, 1 (P), 2A/2B(gate), 1 (P), 2A (P), Finish

OAKCLIFF FLEET RACE UMPIRING ADDENDUM

PREAMBLE: The races in this event will be sailed under the Racing Rules of Sailing as changed by this addendum.

1. CHANGES TO RACING RULES:

These sailing instructions change the definition Proper Course, Part 1, and rules 20, 44, 60, 61, 63, 64, 65, 66, 70.

1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 1 and Part 2

- a. Add new rule 8 to Part 1: LAST POINT OF CERTAINTY
The umpires will assume that the state of a boat, or her relationship to another boat, has not changed, until they are certain that it has changed.
- b. Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or maneuvering to take a penalty is not sailing a *proper course*.'
- c. When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
 - [1] for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
 - [2] for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests, Requests for Redress, Penalties and Exoneration

- A. The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2 when, in an incident while *racing*, she may have broken one or more of the rules of Part 2 [except rule 14 when she has caused injury or damage], rule 31, or rule 42.'
- B. Rule 60.1 is replaced with 'A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she complies with instruction 2.'
- d. The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted.
- e. The three sentences of rule 64.1 are replaced with: 'When the protest committee decides that a boat that is a *party* to a protest hearing has broken a *rule*, it may impose penalties other than disqualification, and may make any other scoring arrangement it decides is equitable. If a boat has broken a *rule* when not *racing*, the protest committee shall decide whether to apply any

penalty to the race sailed nearest in time to that of the incident or make some other arrangement.'

- f. Rules 64.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting instruction of this addendum.
- g. Rule 64.4(b) is replaced with: 'The protest committee may also penalize a boat that is a *party* to a hearing under rule 60.3(d) or rule 69 for a breach of a *rule* by a *support person* by changing the boat's score in a single race, up to and including DSQ.'
- h. Rules P1 – P4 shall not apply; Rule P5 will apply.
- i. Rules 60.2[a] and 60.3[a] do not apply to rules for which umpires may impose penalties.
- j. The prescriptions to rules 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- k. Rule 63.1 is replaced with: "A boat or competitor shall not be penalized without a protest hearing except as provided in rules 30.2, 30.3, 30.4, 64.3(d), 69, 78.2, A5, and in this Umpire Addendum. A decision on redress shall not be made without a hearing. The protest committee shall hear all protests and requests for redress that have been delivered to the race office unless it allows a protest or request to be withdrawn. "

2. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS BY BOATS

- 2.1 While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily, after an umpire's decision, or after a reasonable time when no penalty is taken and there is no umpire signal. This changes rule 61.1[a].
- 2.2 A boat that protests as provided in instruction 2.1 is not entitled to a protest hearing unless no boat takes a voluntary penalty and there is no umpire decision signaled by an umpire. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by taking a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2. An umpire may penalize any boat that broke a rule and was not exonerated, unless the boat took a voluntary penalty.
- 2.3 A boat may protest another boat, or request redress, in accordance with the RRS except as provided in this Umpire Addendum.
- 2.4.1 The protest time limit shall be one and a half hours after the RC signal boat docks/moors.

3. **UMPIRE SIGNALS AND IMPOSED PENALTIES**

3.1 An umpire will signal a decision as follows:

- a. A green and white flag with one long sound means “no penalty”.
- b. A red flag with one long sound means “A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.” The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
- c. A yellow flag with one long sound means “the incident will be reported to the protest committee”.
- d. A black flag displayed with one long sound means “A boat is disqualified.” The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.

3.2 A. A boat penalized under instruction 3.1[B] shall take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with rule 44.2.

B. A boat disqualified under instruction 3.1[D] shall promptly leave the course.

4. **PENALTIES AND PROTESTS INITIATED BY AN UMPIRE**

4.1 When a boat

- A. breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty,
- B. breaks rule 42,
- C. gains an advantage despite taking a penalty,
- D. deliberately breaks a rule,
- E. commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- F. fails to comply with instruction 3.2 or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire,
- G. fails to comply with SI 11.4 [Course Limits],

an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken in accordance with rule 44.2, each signaled in accordance with instruction 3.1(B), or disqualify her under instruction 3.1(D), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action under instruction 3.1[C]. If a boat is penalized under instruction 4.1(F) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.

4.2 An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than instruction 3.2 or a rule listed in instruction 2.1, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

5. **PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS**

- 5.1 No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an umpire except as provided in this umpire addendum.
- 5.2 A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires. A party to a hearing may not base an appeal on the decision of the protest committee. In rule 66 the third sentence is changed to 'A *party* to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'
- 5.3
 - A. The protest committee may inform the parties and schedule a hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate this orally.
 - B. The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers appropriate and may communicate its decision orally. This changes rule 63.6.
 - C. If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no significant effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty of points or fraction of points or make another arrangement it decides is equitable, which may be to impose no penalty.
- 5.4 The protest committee may protest a boat under rule 60.3. However, it will not protest a boat for breaking instruction 3.2, a rule listed in instruction 2.1, or rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.
- 5.5 The technical committee will only protest a boat under rule 60.4 when it decides that a boat or personal equipment does not comply with the class rules, rule 43, or the rules in the equipment regulations of the event, if such exist. In such a case, the technical committee shall protest.

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