

SMYC Soons Regatta SI

Sailing Instructions

Organizing authority: Sint Maarten Yacht Club

Event: Soons Regatta Date: October 10, 2026

Location: Simpson Bay, Sint Maarten

1 Notices and Changes

The official notice board is at the SMYC Teaching Deck. Written changes will be verbally communicated at the skippers briefing at 09:00. Changes made afloat will be communicated to each boat verbally before its warning signal. This changes RRS 90.2(c).

2 Racing Area and Courses

Racing will take place in Simpson Bay, Simpson Bay Lagoon or surrounding waters. Course diagrams, the order and side of rounding marks, mark descriptions and class flags will be posted on the official notice board before the briefing.

3 Starts

Races will be started using 3 minute starts. Classes might start together. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the starting mark. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

4 Finish

The finishing line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

5 Penalties

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 apply.

6 Scoring

The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A applies. One completed race is required to constitute a series. Discards will be as specified in RRS A2.1.

7 Protests and Requests for Redress

A boat intending to protest shall inform the race committee as soon as possible after finishing. This is an additional requirement to RRS 60.2. Protests and requests for redress shall be submitted in writing to the race committee at SMYC. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the final race of the day. Hearings will take place as soon as practical.

8 Safety

All competitors shall wear a personal flotation device while afloat, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. A boat retiring shall inform the race committee as soon as possible.