

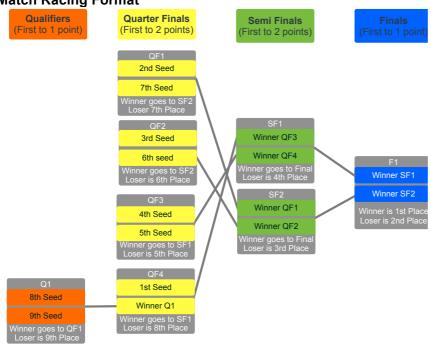
# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (including Amendments 1-2)**

# America's Cup World Series – Venice May 17–20, 2012

# 1 Schedule of Races

Day / Date	First Start	Race	Target Duration
Thur.	1415	Fleet Races 1 & 2 (Match Racing Seeding Races)	35 Min. Each
May 17	1550	Match Racing Qualifiers & Quarter Finals 1-4 (Rounds 1 & 2)	15 Min. Each
Fri.	1415	Fleet Races 3, 4, & Spare Race	35 Min. Each
May 18	1645	Match Racing Quarter Finals 1-4 (remaining races)	15 Min. Each
Sat. May 19	1415	Fleet Races 5 & 6	35 Min. Each
	1555	Match Racing Semi Finals 1 & 2	15 Min. Each
	TBC	AC500 Speed Trial Runs 1 & 2	27 Min.
Sun.	1440	Match Racing Final	15 Min.
May 20	1510	Fleet Race 7	35 Min.

# 2 Match Racing Format



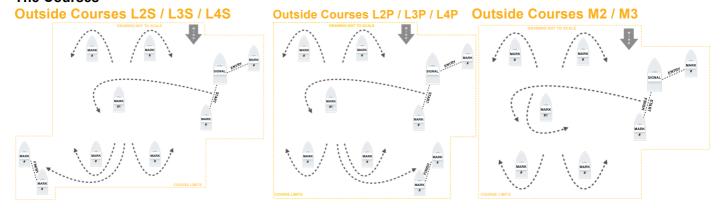
# 3 Fleet Racing Scoring

3.1 Yachts shall be scored points as follows:

Position	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Races 1-6	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2
Race 7	30	20	15	12	10	8	6	4	2

- 3.2 Yachts that do not comply with RRSAC rule 28.1, retire after finishing, or are disqualified, score 0 points.
- 3.3 Each Yacht's points from all Fleet Races sailed shall be totaled and the highest score declared the AC World Series Venice Fleet Racing Champion. The team with the next highest score, the runner up, etc.

# 4 The Courses



## Inside Courses L2S, L3S, & L4S



# Inside Courses L2P, L3P, & L4P



# Inside Courses M1 & M2



# Courses are:

ES	L2(S/P)	Start, Mark 1(P), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward			
SE		Mark(S/P), Finish			
8	L 2/C/D)	Start, Mark 1(P), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate,			
TSIDE COUR	L3(S/P)	Windward Gate, Leeward Mark(S/P), Finish			
	L4(S/P)	Start, Mark 1(P), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate,			
		Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Mark(S/P), Finish			
	M2	Start, Mark 1(P), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Mark 1(P), Finish			
	М3	Start, Mark 1(P), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate,			
OU		Windward Gate, Mark 1(P), Finish			
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	L2(S/P)	Start, Mark 1(P), Mark 2(S), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward			
ES		Mark(S/P), Finish			
OURSI	L3(S/P)	Start, Mark 1(P), Mark 2(S), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward			
		Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Mark(S/P), Finish			
CC	L4(S/P)	Start, Mark 1(P), Mark 2(S), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate,			
		Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Mark(S/P), Finish			
INSIDE	114				
	M1	Start, Mark 1(P), Mark 2(S), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Mark 1(S), Finish			
	M2	Start, Mark 1(P), Mark 2(S), Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Leeward Gate, Windward Gate, Mark			
		1(S), Finish			
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## 4.2 Marks are either

- (a) 8.2 meter power catamarans flying an orange flag, or
- (b) 13.5 meter power catamarans flying an orange flag.
- 4.3 The Signal Boat is the white 21 meter power Catamaran named "Regardless".

The Entry Line for match racing shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Mark with a flag with the word "Entry".

- The Starting Line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a staff displaying an 4.4 orange flag on a Mark with a black and white checkered flag with the word "Start".
- 4.5 For courses M2, M3, and M4, the Finishing Line shall be between the staffs displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a Mark with a black and white checkered flag with the word "Finish". For courses L2, L3, and L4 the Finishing Line shall be between two Marks, with at least one displaying a black and white checkered flag with the word "Finish".

#### 5 **Speed Trial Instructions**

- 5.1 A yacht shall start by passing between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Mark within her start window. A yacht's start window shall be the first 15 seconds of the 1.5 minutes allocated to her by the Race Committee.
- A yacht shall finish by passing between the respective staffs displaying an orange flags on two Marks. 5.2
- A yacht will be ranked based on her highest average speed for a run, measured by the Race Committee. 5.3

## Crew Weigh In

Crews shall weigh in between 0800 and 0900 on Thursday May 17 unless otherwise agreed by the Regatta Director.

## **On Board Microphones** 7

When supplied, on board microphones shall be firmly secured in the pockets described in RRSAC rule 40(c) on the Helmsman and the Tactician. No other items shall be stowed in these pockets.

## **Course Limits** 8

The course limits may not correspond to navigable water. Some areas within the course limits may not have sufficient depth for AC45 daggerboards.

## **Guest Racer Handles** 9

Guest handles shall be affixed to the aft cross beam and guest shall remain on the aft trampoline.