



# THE BELT AND ROAD INTERNATIONAL REGATTA – LANGKAWI LEG

1<sup>ST</sup> TO 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2024

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

[SP]	Rules for which a standard penalty may be applied by the Race Committee and/or Technical Committee without a hearing or a discretionary penalty may be applied by the Protest Committee with a hearing.
[DP]	Rules for which the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
[NP]	Rules that are not grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42, will apply.
- 1.4 RRS B8 will not apply.
- 1.5 Add to RRS 61.1(a) "*The protesting shall inform the race committee of the boat/s being protested at the finishing line immediately after the finishing or as soon as practicable after she retires.*"
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.
- 1.7 **[NP] [DP]** Smoking is strictly prohibited within the boundaries of the National Sailing Centre and whilst afloat. A breach of this instruction by a competitor may result in the competitor being excluded from the regatta and his or her boat given a score of DSQ for all races in the series.
- 1.8 **[NP] [DP]** A breach of instruction 1.7 by a *support person* may result in his or her team of competitors being excluded from the regatta and given a score of DSQ for all races in the series. In addition, the Protest Committee may call a hearing under RRS 60.3(d).
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race and a rule in the Sailing Instructions, the rule in the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the WhatsApp group called **SKIPPERS BELT & ROAD REGATTA 2024**. This chat group will serve as the Official Notice Board (ONB). Team Leaders will be invited to the chat group and given Group Admin rights. The Team Leaders are requested to invite to the chat group competitors and support persons under their care and any other persons who may have an interest in the ONB. Competitors and support persons who are without a Team Leader may approach the Race Office or Jury secretary for assistance. Notices and results may also be posted on the physical notice board located at Weather Deck (Lower Ground) of Royal Langkawi Yacht Club. Failure to post a notice on the physical notice board will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800H on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 1900H on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flag mast located at the boat parking area.
- 4.2 **[DP] [NP]** Flag D with one sound means "The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after flag D is displayed. Boats shall not leave the boatyard until this signal is made".
- 4.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes Race Signal AP.

## 5. FORMAT OF RACING

The regatta consists of a Single Series.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### 6.1

DATE	TIME	EVENTS
1 <sup>st</sup> November 2024 Friday	0900H 1530H 1630H 1730H	Registration at Main Deck (Ground Floor), RLYC Press Conference at Meeting Room (Lower Ground Floor), RLYC Skipper's Briefing for Monohull and Multihull Category at Meeting Room (Lower Ground Floor), RLYC Cocktail at Charlie's Bar (Ground Floor), RLYC
2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2024 Saturday	0830H 1000H	Skipper's Briefing for Junior Category Race Day 1 - All Classes <b>Possible Start - First Warning Signal</b>
3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2024 Sunday	0830H 1000H 1930H	Skipper's Briefing (Junior Category Only) Race Day 2 - All Classes <b>Possible Start - First Warning Signal</b> Closing Ceremony, Prize Giving Presentation and Dinner at Poolside (Lower Ground Floor), RLYC
4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 Monday	0900H	Free and Easy/Check-Out

- 6.2 Three (3) races are scheduled for each day. The race committee may run an additional race on any day complying with instruction 3, total will be six (6) races. For Monohull and Multihull, there will be two (2) course races on Race Day 1 and two (2) course races on Race Day 2.
- 6.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.4 Skipper's Briefing for Junior Category will be held in the Meeting Room in the National Sailing Centre (NSC). Skipper's Briefing for Monohull and Multihull will be held at Meeting Room (Lower Ground Floor) of Royal Langkawi Yacht Club.

## 7. CLASS/FLEET FLAGS

CLASS	FLAG
International 420	Class Flag
Optimist	Optimist Logo on White Background
ILCA 4	ILCA 4 Logo on Blue Background
ILCA 6	ILCA 6 Logo on White Background
Monohull	Purple Triangle Flag
Multihull	Pink Triangle Flag

## 8. RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the location of racing areas.

## 9. THE COURSES

Attachment 2 shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

## 10. MARKS

### 10.1 Marks for Course A

Start	Starting (Signal) Vessel and Port-End Red Buoy
Mark 1	Yellow Cone
Mark 1A	Green Cone
Mark 2	Yellow Cone
Mark 3S/3P	Yellow Cone
Mark 4	Green Cone
Finish	Finishing Vessel Displaying A Blue Flag and Red Buoy

### 10.2 Marks for Course B (Monohull and Multihull)

Start	Starting (Signal) Vessel and Port-End Yellow Cylinder Mark
Mark 1	Blue Cone Mark
Mark 4	Blue Cone Mark
Finish	Finishing Vessel Displaying A Blue Flag and Port-End Red Buoy

10.3 A race committee vessel signaling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in Instruction 12.2.

**11. THE START**

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. The starting order for the first race of each day is:

Course A: International 420, ILCA, Optimist

Course B: Monohull and Multihull

11.2 The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting buoy or a staff displaying orange flag on another race committee vessel.

11.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.4 **[NP] [DP]** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay at least 50 metres to leeward of the starting line during the starting sequence for other races.

**12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a Red Mark with Black band to replace the original mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee vessel to starboard. This changes RRS 28.

**13. THE FINISH**

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel and the course side of a finishing buoy.

**14. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

14.1 The time limit and target times in minutes are as follows:

Class	Time Limit	Mark 1/1A Time Limit	Finish Window	Target Time
Optimist, ILCA 4, ILCA 6, International 420	50 minutes	15 minutes	15 minutes	45 minutes
Monohull and Multihull Course Race	90 minutes	25 minutes	30 minutes	60 minutes

14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1/1A within the Mark 1/1A time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

14.3 Boats failing to finish within the time stated in the finish window after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the Jury Room. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2 For each racing area, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3 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. Hearings will be held in the Jury Room beginning at the time posted. Hearings may be scheduled to begin up to 30 minutes before the end of protest time.
- 15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 A list of boats that, under Instruction 1.3, have been penalized for breaking RRS 42 will be posted.
- 15.6 **[DP]** Penalties for breaches of Class Rules are at the discretion of the Protest Committee.
- 15.7 For breaches of instructions in NOR and SIs marked **[SP]**, the race committee may apply a standard penalty without a hearing. A list of these breaches and the associated standard penalties will be posted on the Official Notice Board. However, the race committee may protest a boat when they consider the standard penalty to be inappropriate. A boat which has been penalized with a standard penalty can neither be protested for the same incident by another boat nor can another boat request redress for this race committee action. This changes RRS 60.1, 63.1 and A5.
- 15.8 On the last racing day of the Qualifying series, Final series or Single series, 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.
- 15.9 On the last racing day of the Qualifying series, Final Series or Single series, a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

## **16. SCORING**

- 16.1 Six (6) races are scheduled for each event.
- 16.2 Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.3 When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 16.4 For Monohull and Multihull, there will be two (2) course races on Race Day 1 and two (2) course races on Race Day 2. Total will be four (4) races without discarded.

## **17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1 **[NP] [SP]** Check-Out and Check-In Procedures:  
Each boat shall personally Check-Out on the forms provided at the Beach Desk prior to launching. For Monohull and Multihull, the form will be at Marina Post at Royal Langkawi Yacht Club. After arriving on shore, each boat shall personally Check-In on the forms provided before the end of the protest time limit. One penalty point will be added to the finishing position; in the first race of the day for failure to Check-Out and last race of the day for failure to Check-In. Penalty points will be implemented by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

- 17.2 **[DP]** RRS 40.1 applies.  
All competitors, except windsurfers, shall wear personal flotation devices at all times whilst afloat. Windsurfers shall wear personal flotation devices when Flag Y is displayed onshore or on the race committee signal vessel.
- 17.3 Competitors who require assistance should so signify by blowing a whistle or waving their arms. The race committee reserves the right to assist competitors who, in the opinion of the race committee, require assistance regardless of the wishes of the competitor. This will not be subject to giving redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 17.4 **[NP] [DP]** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18. [NP] [DP] [SP] SAIL NUMBERS AND MEASUREMENT**
- 18.1 All boats shall have national letters and at least one digit or a unique number which is not used by another boat. The race committee may change the sail numbers. For Monohull and Multihull, all boats should display hull number on both sides of the bow of their boat. Hull sticker will be provided during registration day. This will not be subject to request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).
- 18.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and SIs. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a Technical Committee equipment inspector to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 19. [NP] [DP] REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**
- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged equipment or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Technical Committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the Technical Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 20. OFFICIAL VESSELS**  
Official vessels will display a white flag with the letters A, B or C.
- 21. [NP] DP] SUPPORT VESSELS**
- 21.1 A support vessel and a support person shall register with the race office prior to the first warning signal of the event. Each support vessel shall display the State flag (a country flag or national sail letters for an international team) of the team she is supporting and shall have a personal flotation device for each person on board.
- 21.2 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall not be within 100 meters of any boat racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first fleet to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. This SI does not apply during rescue operations.
- 21.3 Support vessels that are motoring at more than 5 knots shall remain at least 150 meters from any boat that is racing.
- 21.4 Support vessels shall always be on the outside of the media boats (away from the fleet side) so that the media boats can capture images without support vessels in the image. This does not apply during any safety incident.
- 21.5 Kill cords shall be worn at all times when the engine is running.

- 21.6 All persons on board a support vessel shall wear a personal flotation device at all times whilst afloat.
- 21.7 The protest committee may direct the organizing authority to revoke privileges from any vessel or person found to be in breach of SI 21.

**22. [NP] [SP] TRASH DISPOSAL**

- 22.1 Trash shall be placed aboard support or official vessels. A breach of this instruction by a competitor will result in 3 penalty points being added to her finishing position in the first race of the day. Penalty points will be implemented by the race committee without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.
- 22.2 All competitors and officials are requested not to bring 'single use' plastic bottles, plastic food container or any plastic to the venue and racing area on the water.

**23. [NP] [DP] RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The following VHF channels will be used during the regatta:

- (a) Channel 67 RLYC marina working channel
- (b) Channel 69 RLYC calling channel
- (c) Channel 71 Race channel for all classes

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

**24. PRIZES**

- 24.1 During the Prize Giving Ceremony participants receiving awards must wear their official state uniform.
- 24.2 Trophies will be awarded to the following places in each category:

CLASS/FLEET	OVERALL RANKING	NO. OF TROPHIES
Monohull	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
Multihull	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
Optimist Overall	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
International 420 (Open)	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3x2
ILCA 4 Open	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
ILCA 6 Open	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
Optimist Division A	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
Optimist Division B	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3
Optimist Division C	1 <sup>st</sup> to 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	3

**25. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk and responsibility. See RRS3, Decision to Race. The organizing 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.

**26. [NP] INSURANCE**

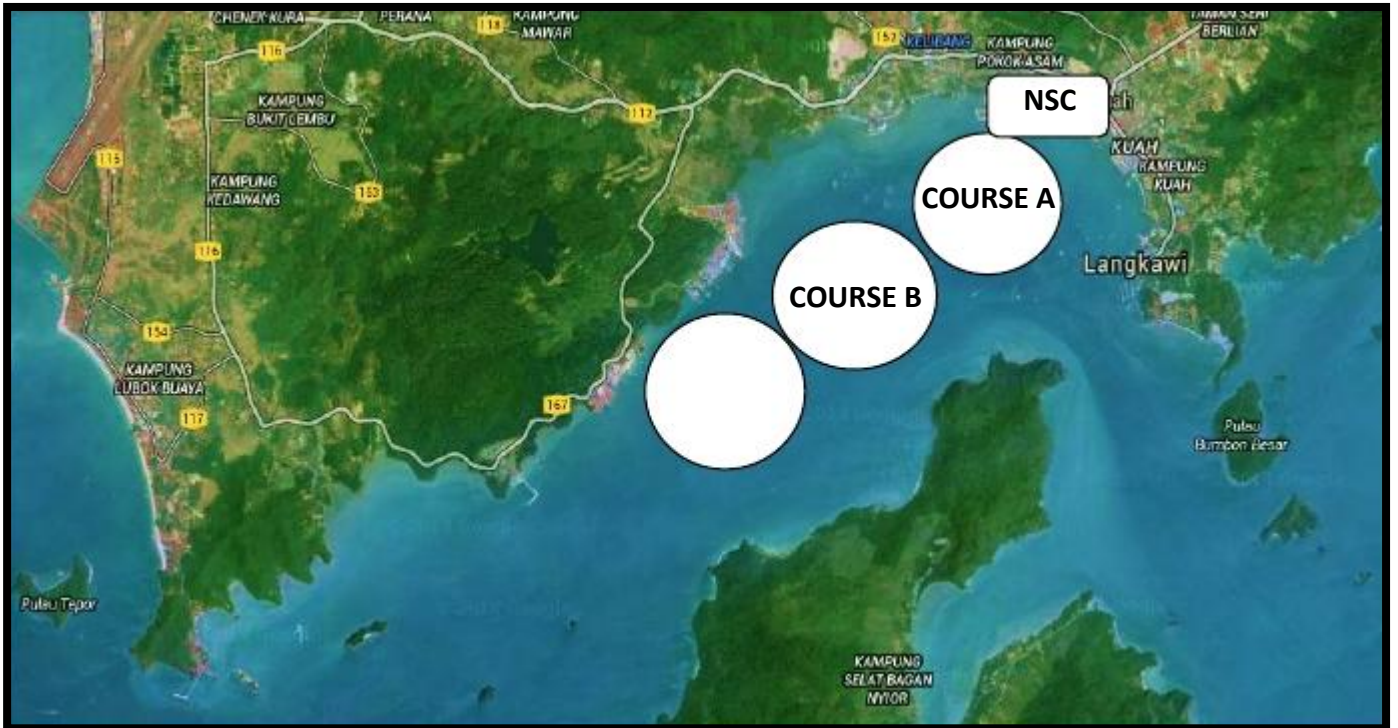
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. In addition, competitors are advised to have insurance cover for accidents and other health related risks.



**ATTACHMENT 1**

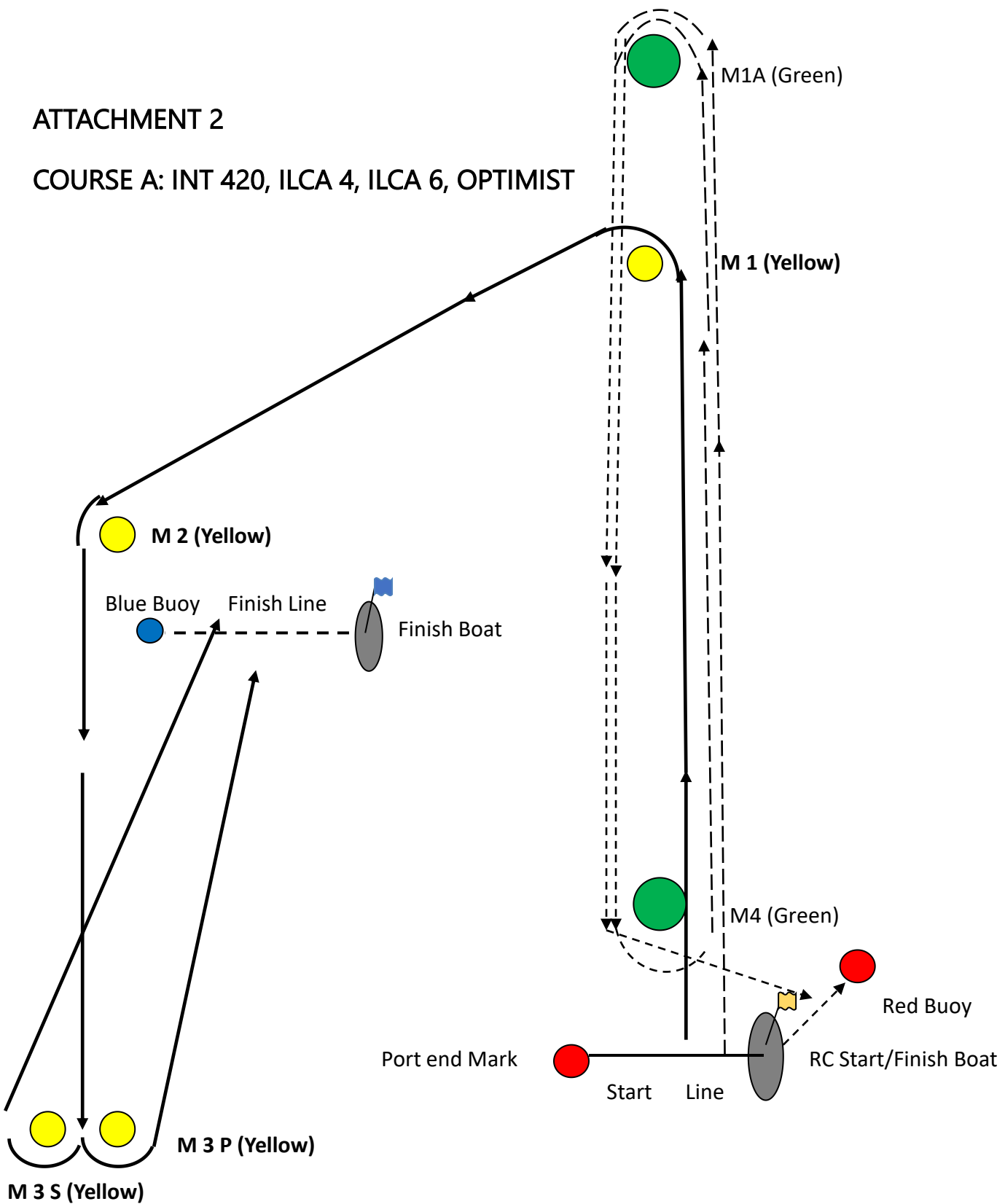
**COURSE A: OPTIMIST, ILCA 4, ILCA 6 AND INTERNATIONAL 420**

**COURSE B: MONOHULL AND MULTIHULL**



ATTACHMENT 2

COURSE A: INT 420, ILCA 4, ILCA 6, OPTIMIST



The diagram above shows the approximate angle between marks and the order of marks to be rounded. The courses are as follow:

1. ILCA – START M1A, M4, M1A, M4, FINISH
2. OPTIMIST EXPERT – START M1, M2, M3, FINISH

ATTACHMENT 2

COURSE B: MONOHULL AND MULTIHULL

<b>LR</b>	<b>COURSE: WINDWARD / LEEWARD</b> With reaching finish
<b>SIGNAL</b>	<b>Mark Rounding Order</b>
<b>LR1</b>	<b>Start - 1 - 4 - 1 - 4 - Finish</b>
<b>LR2</b>	<b>Start - 1 - 4 - 1 - 4 - 1 - 4 - Finish</b>

