

# Midwest Summer Sprints



2021 - Coaches & Coxswain

Meeting

Saturday August 7, 2021



# Agenda

## 1. Welcome

- Referee's are here to ensure safety, fairness and consistency in the application of the Rules of Rowing
- Regattacentral for all up to date details regarding: Registration, Eligibility, etc.

## 2. Rules and Notes

- A. Regatta time - Time.gov or cell phone time
- B. Day in the life of a crew (what to expect from first call to when you recover)
- C. Objections/Protests
- D. Unsportsmanlike Conduct
- E. Safety on the Venue (Water & Land)
  - I. Evacuation Plans
  - II. Medical Aid

## 3. Open Q and A

# Regatta Time

Time.Gov

Assume your race is on time

Recommended launch time is 20-30 minutes before your event.

We will make a single call for the event overall at 30 minutes.

Crews responsibility to be in the starting area prior to the start.

Should be in Marshall area at least 5 minutes before start at the latest.

If we fall behind, the starter will attempt to get us back on schedule.

If you miss your event you may be excluded at the discretion of the officials.

With the very full schedule, we will not try to chase down or find lost crews.

Crews failing to back in on first attempt may be excluded.

# Trailer Boats



Preliminary plan to allow trailers to drive to lower area to unload subject to change.

No trailers may be parked on the lower level. All trailer parking will occur up top in designated locations.

Exit up boat ramp...



# Day in the life - Launch Docks

Boats head to docks **stern** first (walk towards woods, swing bow towards docks.)

Follow the directions of control commission.

Safety checks will not generally be performed due to COVID restrictions.

Coaches are responsible and accountable for their teams equipment.

**Racing will not be delayed for negligence to maintain equipment.**



# Day in the life - Rowing to the Start

Large **Orange Buoys**... Can't miss them...

Once you get to the marsh, turn parallel to the course and head to the start marshal area.

Watch for crews in lane 7 (un-buoyed on starboard side)

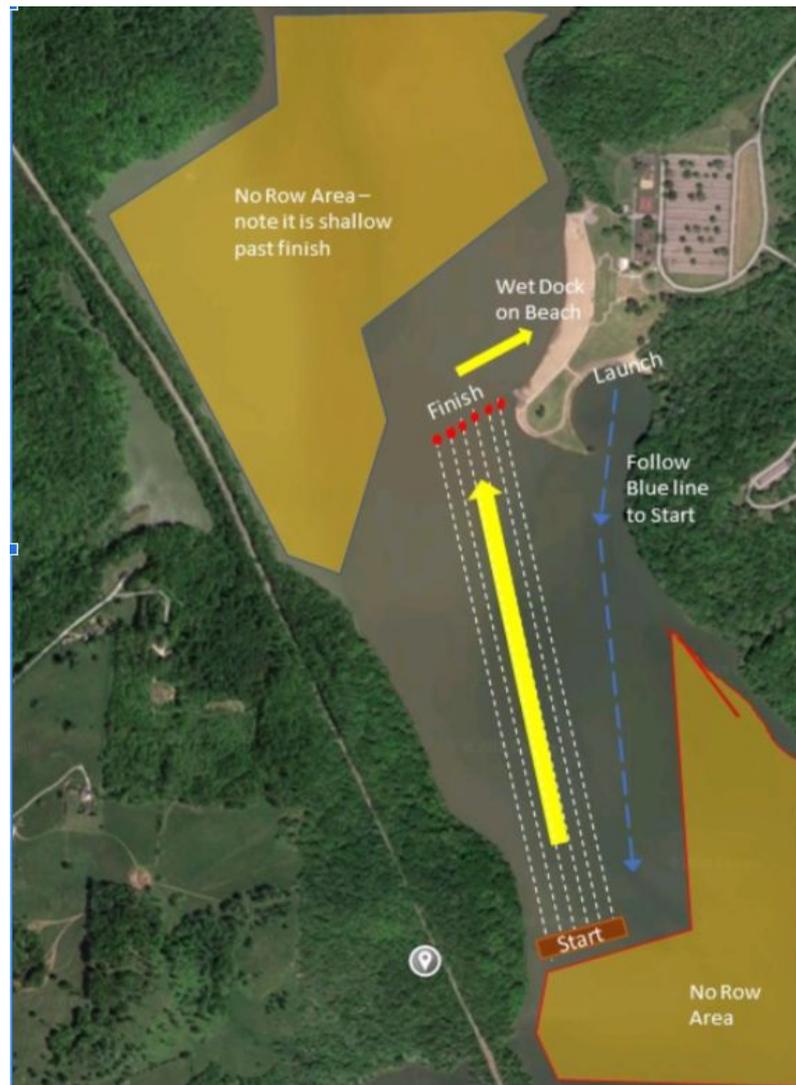
**DO NOT** be late.

**DO NOT** expect marshals to come "chase you down" when it's time for your race.

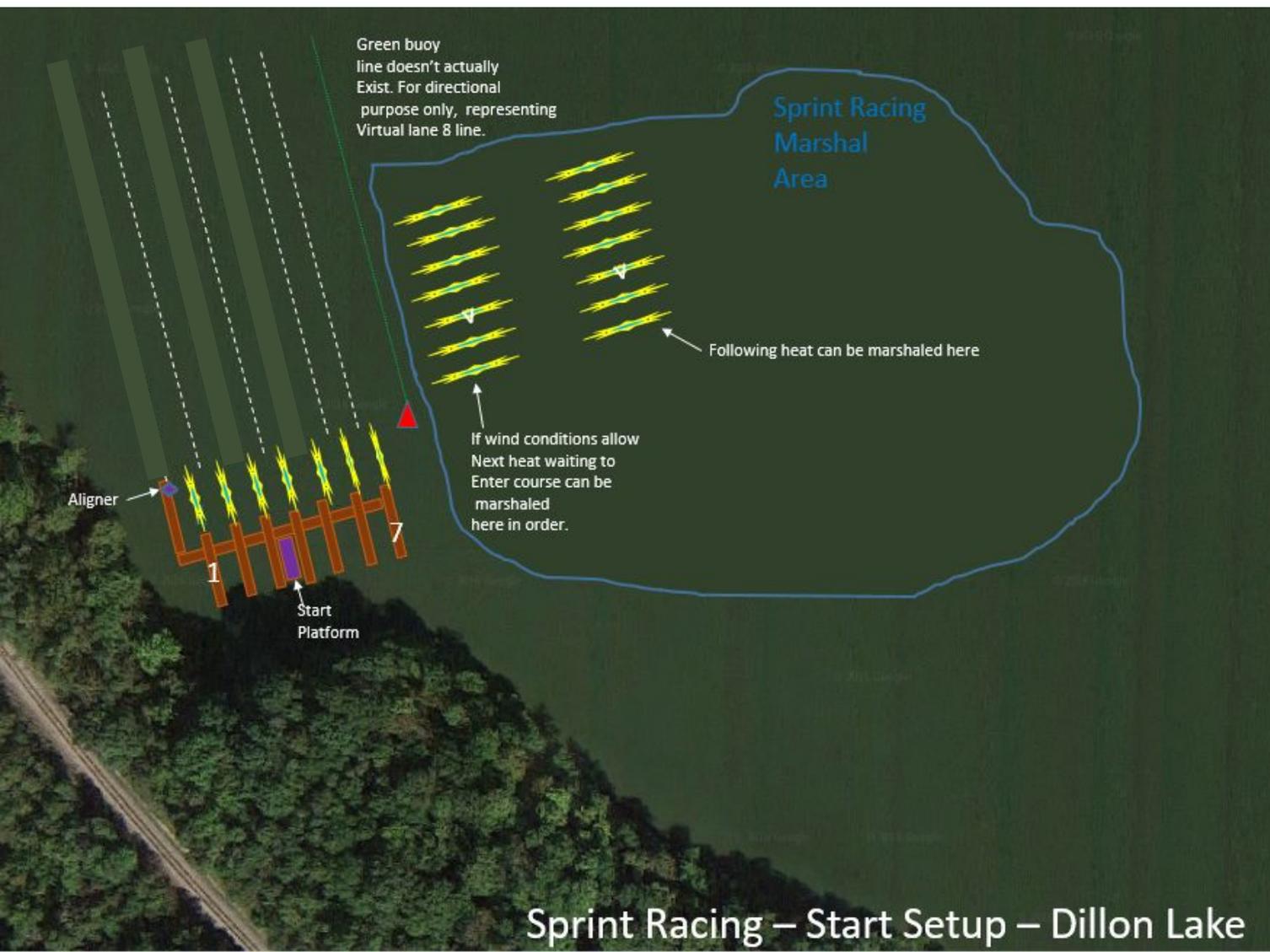
**DO** work to get in bow number order

**DO NOT** do hard pieces in the Marshal area

**DO** be in the marshal area by the dock when it's time for your race



# Day in the life - Sprint Racing Start



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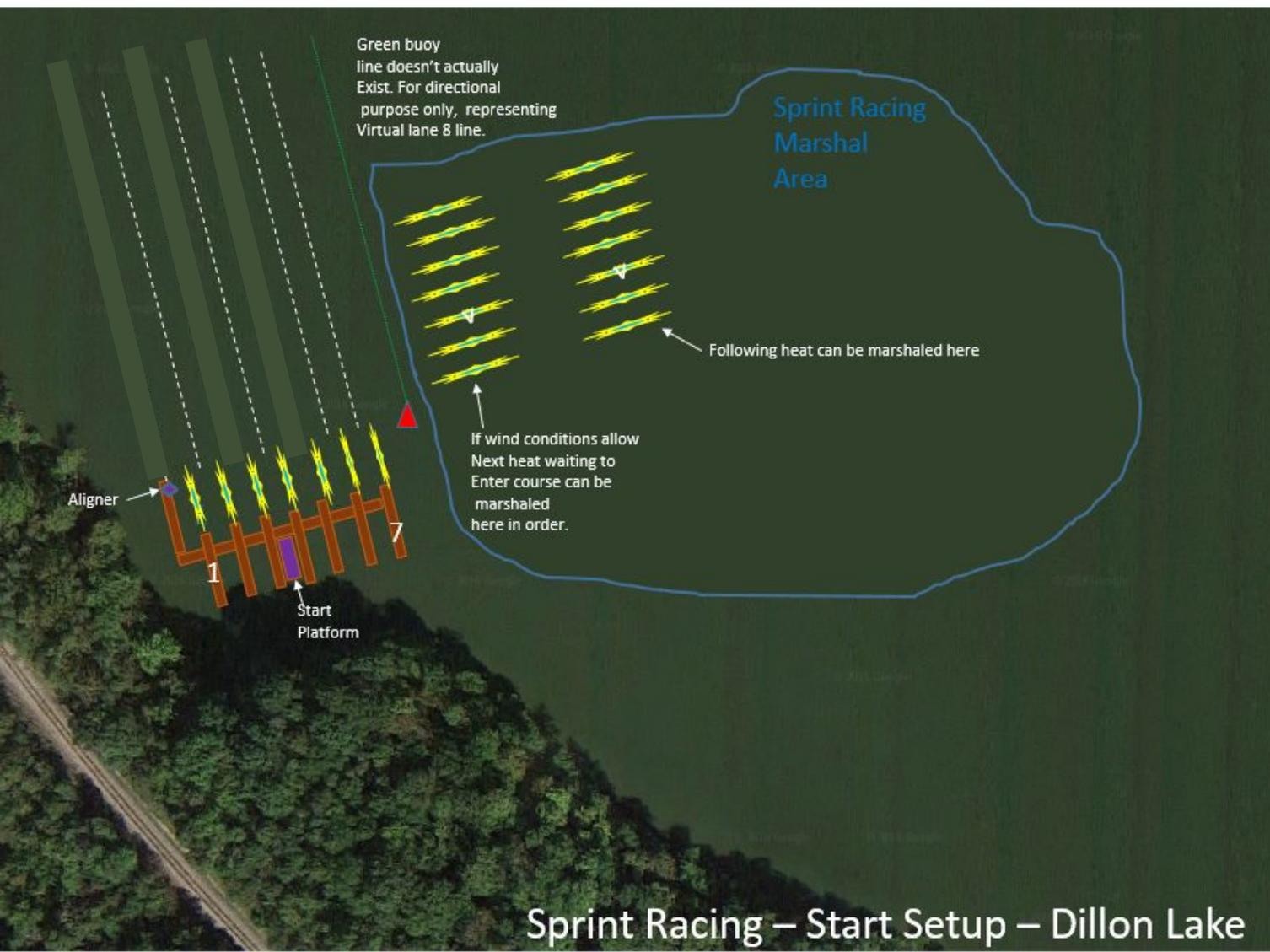
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# Day in the life - Body of the Race

Coxswain should stay in their assigned lanes.

If an issue occurs during the race, Raise a hand at the finish.

Remember the Rules of rowing and what can and can't be objected to after a race.

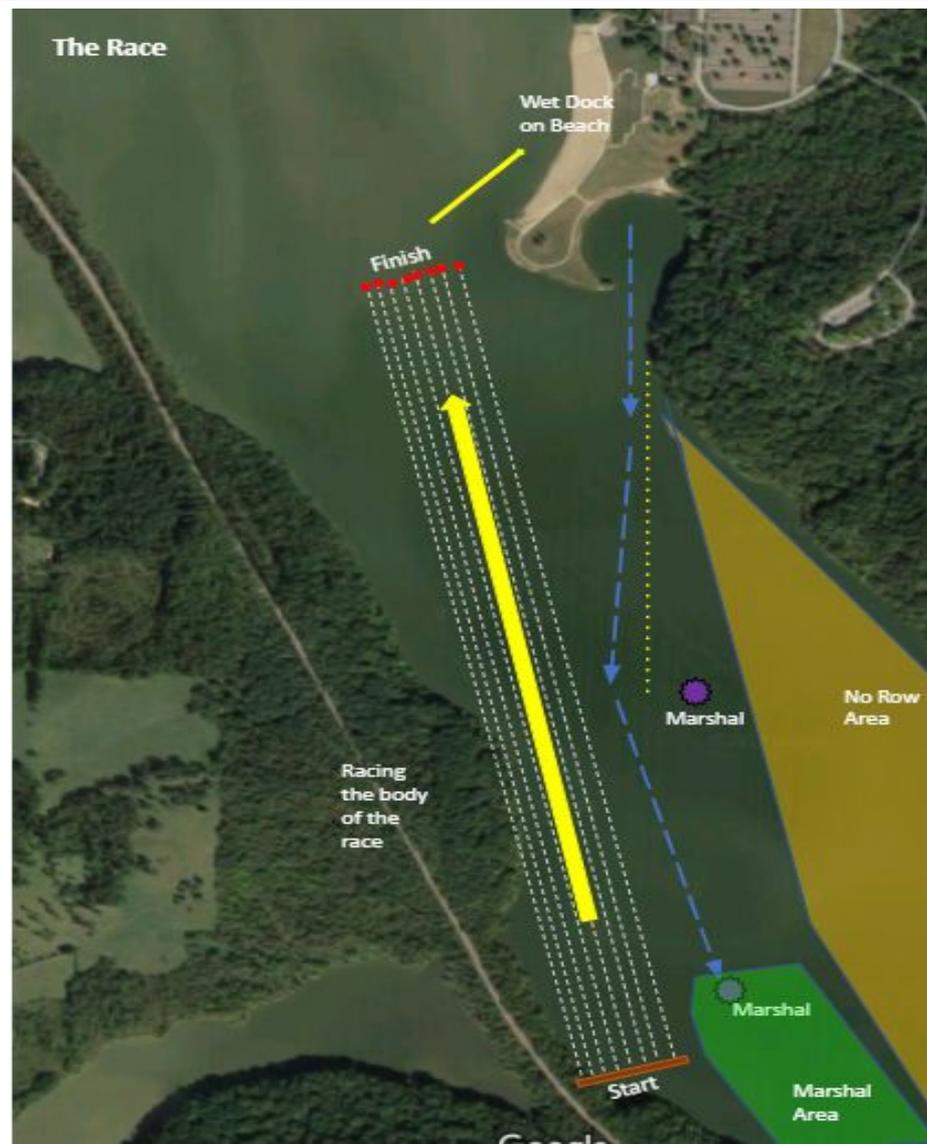
Breakage can't be protested.

The start can't be protested.

Interference is a thing, but the referee following the race will determine if it impacted the event.

ALL crews will wet dock on the beach.

Medical will be onsite, with, but it should be used for true emergencies...



# The Rest of it....

C. Objections/Protests - You MUST protest on the water (no exceptions)  
You MUST be able to explain on the water to the referee what the issue was and what remedy you are looking for.

Referees can't: Add time to an offending crew, take time off a crew that was interfered with...

D. Unsportsmanlike Conduct

ZERO TOLERANCE policy. Expect to be excluded for language, failure to follow referee directions or other similar unsportsmanlike conduct.

E. Safety on the Venue (Water & Land)

I. Evacuation Plans - Referees will direct all crews to the beach.

II. Medical Aid - Only light medical onsite. Call 911 for emergencies.

Police your trash - leave your site cleaner than when you came.

3. Open Q and A