

# **J-70 CHESAPEAKE BAY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**Hosted by Fishing Bay Yacht Club**

**November 1 - 2 , 2014**

## **Sailing Instructions**

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2013-2016*.
- 1.2** J-70 Class Rules CR I.1.1 (Spare Gennaker) and CR I.1.3 (Support Boats) are in effect.
- 1.3** Only US Sailing Prescriptions RRS 67 and 76.1 and Appendix T, Sections A (Penalties While Racing) and B (Post-Race Penalties) are in effect.
- 1.4** The RRS Prescription to rule 40 is deleted. See CR C.4.1(a).
- 1.5** RRS 63.7 is replaced by "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence".

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the driveway side of the club house.

### **3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### **4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Signal Boat, *Mr Roberts*, at the Jackson Creek dock.
- 4.2** When Flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 75 minutes" in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

### **5. CLASSIFICATION**

- 5.1** ISAF Regulation 22 will apply. See [www.isaf.org/isafsailor](http://www.isaf.org/isafsailor) and CR C.3.2.
- 5.2** For Corinthian awards, all drivers and crew shall be current ISAF Group 1 competitors and shall register their ISAF sailor ID and classification on line via the regatta website or in person at registration.

## 6. SCHEDULE

### Friday, October 31

1700-2100 Registration and Check-In (FBYC clubhouse)

### Saturday, November 1

0800-0900 Final Registration and Check-In (FBYC clubhouse)

0800 Coffee Available

0900 Skippers Meeting (Jackson Creek flagpole)

1100 Warning (maximum of four races scheduled)

1630 The bar is open

1800 Dinner is served

### Sunday, November 2

0830 Continental Breakfast Available

1030 Warning (maximum of three races scheduled)

1530 Social and Awards Ceremony

\*\*On Sunday, no races may be started after 1400

## 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be just east of Stove Point in the vicinity of the mouth of the Piankatank River or west of Stove Point, inside Fishing Bay, depending on weather.

## 8. RACING PROGRAM AND COURSES

**8.1** On Saturday, a maximum of four (4) races may be run. On Sunday, a maximum of three (3) races may be run.

**8.2** Flag A displayed with no sound as boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

**8.3** A four leg, windward-leeward course will be sailed. See Appendix A – Courses.

**8.4** A weather offset mark will be used. The offset mark will be set approximately 200' to the left of the weather mark and perpendicular to the first leg of the course.

**8.5** A leeward gate will be used. It will be set approximately 600' to weather of the start/finish line.

If only one gate mark is in place, boats shall leave it to PORT.

**8.6** No later than the Warning Signal, the Race Committee Signal Boat will display the approximate range and bearing from it to the weather mark.

**8.7** The class flag will be the J-70 logo.

## **9. MARKS**

Weather Primary Mark	Orange Cylinder
Weather Change Mark	Yellow Tetrahedron
Weather Offset	Orange Tomato
Leeward Gate	(2) Orange Cylinders
Start/Finish Mark	Yellow Cylinder

## **10. BOAT CHECK-IN**

Prior to the warning signal for the first race each day, she shall pass by the stern of the RC Signal Boat and hail her name and/or sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

## **11. THE START**

**11.1** Races will be started using RRS 26, except as modified by Instruction 11.2 below.

**11.2** To alert competitors that a new sequence is about to start, an Attention Signal of several short sounds will be made approximately three (3) minutes prior to the Warning. This is not a timed signal.

**11.3** The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and either the staff displaying an orange flag on the port end Starting Boat or the course side of a yellow inflatable mark.

## **12. RECALLS**

**12.1** Individual Recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.1. Additionally, the Race Committee will attempt to notify boats who are OCS via hail on VHF-72.

**12.2** Failure of this transmission to be made or received, the promptness of the notification, or the position of a boat in the notification sequence shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1 (a).

## **13. COURSE CHANGE AFTER START**

**13.1** To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a yellow change mark and remove the original orange mark as soon as practicable.

**13.2** Bearing changes will be signaled as per RRS 33(a)(2), i.e. a red or green flag. Both signals may be rectangular flags which changes RRS 33(a)(2).

## **14. THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag at one end of the line and either the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Finish Boat at the other end of the line or the course side of a yellow inflatable mark.

## **15. THE PENALTY SYSTEM**

**15.1** The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to read: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a mark other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

**15.2** Unless the course is shortened at the windward mark, penalties while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2.

**15.3** Section B (Post-Race Penalties) of Appendix T is in effect.

## **16. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**16.1** The target time for each race is 75 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).

**16.2** Any race in which no boat finishes within 2 hours of the starting signal shall be abandoned.

**16.3** Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing and scored as one point more than the final boat to sail the course and finish. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5. The blue "on-station" flag will be lowered with one sound to indicate that the finish line is closed.

## **17. SAFETY**

**17.1** Boats that do not come to the racing area shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible of their intention to not race.

**17.2** Boats retiring from a race or leaving the course between races shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area.

## **18. PROTESTS**

**18.1** Protest forms will be available at the Protest Desk located in the Fishing Bay club house. Written protests must be filed at the Protest Desk within one hour of the Race Committee docking on the Jackson Creek side.

**18.2** All protest notices, hearing schedules, and results of hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the driveway side of the club house.

**18.3** A list of protests filed and approximate hearing times will be posted within 20 minutes after the expiration of protest time. This posting constitutes the notice required for Race Committee and/or Protest Committee protests required under RRS 61.1(b).

**18.4** At the discretion of the Protest Committee, the penalty for breaking S.I. 10, 17, and 24 may be less severe than DSQ.

**18.5** On Sunday, a request for re-opening 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 that day.

This changes RRS 66.

**18.6** On Sunday, 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 70.5.

**18.7** If the Race Committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, or BFD on the Official Notice Board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.

## **19. SCORING**

**19.1** Scoring will be as per the Appendix A Low Point Scoring System, except that no scores will be excluded. This changes RRS 90.3 and Appendix A.

**19.2** One complete race is necessary to constitute a regatta.

## **20. RADIOS**

**20.1** The Race Committee will make radio transmissions to the fleet via VHF-72. Race Committee broadcasts of its intentions are as a courtesy only and in no way relieve competitors of their responsibility to monitor and respond to Race Committee flags and signals.

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

**20.3** As per Instruction 12.1, the RC will attempt to hail OCS boats on VHF-72.

**20.4** The Race Committee will not respond to transmissions from competitors except to acknowledge retirements or requests for emergency assistance.

## **21. REPLACEMENT OF CREW**

Replacement of crew is not permitted without prior, written approval of the Principal Race Officer.

## **22. HAULING OF BOATS**

**22.1** Boats shall be afloat by 0900, Saturday, November 1.

**22.2** During the regatta, no boat may be hauled without prior, written approval of the Principal Race Officer.

## **23. EVENT ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

## **24. SUPPORT BOATS**

**24.1** Individual support or coach boats shall comply with CR I.3. :

Individual support or coach boats shall not have contact of any nature, including:

- (i) Communication by radio, telephone, internet, vocal signal, visual signaling of any kind (tactical placement, use of flags and/or different colors of clothing) or
- (ii) The transfer of crew, equipment, or supplies, with a registered racing boat from the time the boat leaves its dock or mooring each day until the boat has finished racing for the day.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) late arriving crew, food and drink may be transferred to a racing boat prior to the first race of the day, and (ii) crew may be transferred in the event of an unforeseen personal emergency. Infringements of this rule will result in a penalty to the boat associated with the support boat. Such penalty may be either penalties or disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee or jury.

**24.2** Coach and support boats must register with the Organizing Authority during Registration.

## **25. PRIZES**

**25.1** Prizes will be presented to the top three boats overall.

**25.2** Prizes will also be presented to the top three Corinthian boats.

## **26. INSURANCE**

All boats are required to hold adequate third-party insurance (\$300,000) and it is the owner or owner's representative sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to competing in the event.

## **27. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage or injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers include the Organizing Authority, The Fishing Bay Yacht Club, the Race Committee, the Protest Committee, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official who will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shore-side or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## **28. EVENT OFFICIALS**

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