# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

216 Regatta October 3rd - 4th, 2020 Edgewater Yacht Club Cleveland, OH 44102

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NOR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the SI means that instruction is not grounds for protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1.

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the class rules for the J/105 Class Association, Tartan 10 Class Association, J/70 Class Association and VX One Class Association.
- 1.2. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule requiring class membership.
- 1.3. In the event of a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS Rule 63.7.
- 1.4. All boats are required to abide by the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host clubs restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus.

# 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located by the outdoor Clubhouse grill.
- 2.2. There will be a Competitor's meeting broadcast via VHF on the following channels:
  - 2.2.1. J/105 & Tartan 10 VHF Channel 71
  - 2.2.2. J/70 & VX One VHF Channel 72

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

- 3.1. Except for instructions 3.2 below, any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than two (2) hours prior to the first scheduled race on the day it shall take effect.
- 3.2. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the later of 1800 or the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

# 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole located north of the EYC clubhouse.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "I minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP. *This changes race signals AP*
- 4.3. When a signal flag is posted ashore, the code flag corresponding to each course name shall be displayed to indicate which course the signal is designated for. If no course designator is posted, the signal shall be for all courses.

# 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Sat Oct 3	9:30 AM	Skipper's Meeting, Broadcast via VHF J/105 & Tartan 10 - VHF Channel 71 J/70 & VX One - VHF Channel 72
	10:55 AM	Warning for first race of the day
Sun Oct 4		Warning for first race of the day ning signal after 1:00 PM ony. Awares available for pick-up following racing.

5.1. Races will be run back-to-back on each day. Second and subsequent races will start shortly after the last finisher of that class' preceding race.

# 6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The class flags for each class will portray the class insignia.

# 7. RACING AREA

- 7.1. On the open waters of Lake Erie, North of Edgewater Yacht Club.
- 7.2. The J/105 & Tartan 10 courses will be located on the Western Circle.
- 7.3. The J/70 & VX One courses will be located on the Eastern Circle.

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2. The RC intends to set a gate at the leeward end of the course. However, a single leeward mark may be set, in which case it shall be left to port.
- 8.3. The approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles to the first mark will be displayed from the race committee signal boat prior to the warning signal for each race.

# 9. THE MARKS

- 9.1. Mark 1 shall be a green inflatable tetrahedron.
- 9.2. Mark la (the offset mark if used) shall be a small green tetrahedron.
- 9.3. Marks 2S and 2P shall be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 9.4. The starting mark shall be either an anchored vessel displaying a staff with an orange flag or a Yellow inflatable cylinder.
- 9.5. The finishing mark shall be an Orange inflatable cylinder.
- 9.6. New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, and shall be yellow inflatable marks.

#### **10.** THE START

- 10.1. The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the mark or the staff displaying an orange flag as described in instruction 9.4.
- 10.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the sequence for other races. [DP][NP]
- 10.3. A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes of her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
- 10.4. If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel for competitor communication as noted in instruction 21.3. Failure to make a broadcast, the order of sail numbers called, or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

#### **11. COURSE CHANGES**

11.1. To change the next leg, as allowed by RRS 33, the race committee will lay a new mark, move the finishing line or move the gate and remove the old mark as soon as practicable. Mark 1a (the offset mark) is optional when the weather mark is changed. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

# **12. THE FINISH**

12.1. The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark as described in instruction 9.5.

# **13. PENALTY SYSTEMS**

13.1. Penalties at the time of the incident: According to RRS Appendix VI: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "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."

- 13.2. Penalties within three (3) boat lengths of Mark 1 or on the leg from Mark 1 to Mark 1a may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2 and V1
- 13.3. Penalties after the race: According to RRS Appendix V2: After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a 20% Scoring Penalty. This changes V2. Calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply and the
- 13.4. penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing involving the incident has begun. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred.

#### 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. In accordance with RRS 35, the time limit for each race is two (2) hours.
- 14.2. If no boat in a class has passed Mark 1 within one (1) hour, the race shall be abandoned for that class.
- 14.3. Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes shall be scored
- 14.4. Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A5 and A11.

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

- 15.1. Protest forms are available at race headquarters (the Chart Room) at EYC. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.2. For each class, the protest time limit is one (1) hour after the RC signal vessel for their course area docks after the last race of the day or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.3. Notices will be posted no later than thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings shall be held in the "Pavilion" on the north side of the main Clubhouse, beginning at the time posted on the official notice board. All parties to Protest Meetings shall meet at the Judges Table 10 minutes prior to their scheduled meeting time; Protest Meetings that do not have all Parties present at its start shall move to the end of scheduled Protest Meetings.
- 15.4. Protests by the RC, Technical Committee (TC) or Protest Committee (PC) shall be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.6. If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, BFD or TLE 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 one (1) hour after the after the penalties are posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

# 16. SCORING

- 16.1. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2. The scoring system will be in accordance with the RRS Appendix A.
- 16.3. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes the RRS App. A 2.1.
- 16.4. Boats scored TLE in accordance with SI 14.3 will receive points equal to the number of boats in her class finishing within the Time Limit as described in SI 14.1 plus one (1) point.

# **17. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1. Check-In All boats shall check-in with the Race Committee boat displaying the "L" flag on their assigned race area at least five minutes before the first warning signal of the day. Each boat shall sail past the committee boat on starboard tack and hail her class and sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee. [DP][NP]
- 17.2. Retirement A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible. [DP][NP]

#### **18. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 18.1. With the exception of the VX One fleet, boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission from the Organizing Authority.
- 18.2. Boats shall be afloat by 9:30 AM on Saturday.

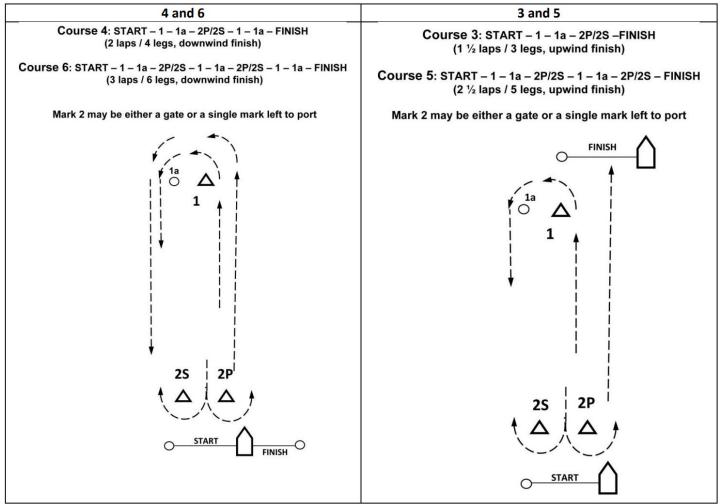
#### **19. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

19.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. [DP]

# **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision of Race. The Race Organizers (Organizing Authority, Race Committee, Protest Committee, Sponsors and any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. 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.

#### ATTACHMENT A



Mark 1a (the offset mark) is set at the RC's discretion. If set, it must be rounded as described.