



2016 JY15 North American Championships

September 16-18, 2016

Hosted by the JYCA, [The Breakwater Yacht Club](#) and JY15 Fleet 2

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016 (RRS)*, the prescriptions of US Sailing and the rules of the JY15 class, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

Each helmsperson must be a current member of the JYCA at the time of the first warning signal on September 16, 2016. The person designated as crew in the registration may helm one or more races so long as he or she is a JYCA member and the registration so indicates. A different crew for a specific day will be permitted if specified in the registration or with the permission of the race committee. Competitors may enter the regatta and pay fees through the following link at YachtScoring: <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1594>. Sailors may register as JYCA members for 2016 at the following link: <http://www.jyca.org>.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official JY15 Fleet notice board located at the registration desk at Havens Beach.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Subject to the next sentence, any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1400 on Friday September 16 (for changes effective that day) or before 0900 on the day it will take effect (for changes effective Saturday or Sunday), except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Changes may also be made verbally on the water.

RRS 44.1 is changed to specify a One Turn Penalty rather than a Two Turn Penalty to exonerate a boat from a Part 2 Rule infraction.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the registration desk at Havens Beach. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 min after flag AP is lowered.

6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be set up in Shelter Island Sound north of Havens Beach.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Schedule of Events			
Day	Date	Time	Event
Thursday	15-Sep	1400-1700	Arrivals, boat set-up and practice sailing at Havens Beach
Friday	16-Sep	1200-1400	Set up and check-in at Havens Beach
		1400	Skippers Meeting at Havens Beach
		1430	First Warning Gun
		1730	Cocktails and dinner at BYC Clubhouse: New Boat discussion with Robert Sanberg (Builder)
		1900	JYCA Class Meeting
Saturday	17-Sep	0830	Set up at Havens Beach. Snack food available
		0900	Pre Race Briefing from Larry Suter at Havens Beach
		1030	First Warning Gun
			Cocktails, dinner and racing commentary with video from Larry Suter at BYC Clubhouse
		1800	Larry Suter at BYC Clubhouse
Sunday	18-Sep	0930	First Warning Gun
		1200	Latest start of last race
		Approx 1400	Awards at BYC Clubhouse

There is no maximum number of races, although the Race Committee will attempt to run at least 10 races. A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.

8 COURSES and MARKS

The courses used will be windward-leeward [WL], triangle [T] and/or triangle-windward-leeward [MO]. The course for any given race will be designated by letters on a white background on the Race Committee boat. If the numeral 2 is added the course will be sailed twice around. The windward, reach and leeward marks will be large inflated tetrahedrons. The windward offset mark will be an orange ball and **may** be in place at all times but can be ignored for the reaching leg of a triangle [T] or modified olympic [MO] course. If a leeward gate is used, it will be marked either with cylinders or tetrahedrons. The attached diagram shows the courses, course designations, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark.

9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES; STARTING SYSTEM

The starting line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a yellow flag at the starboard end and an inflated mark at the port end. An orange ball **may** be located near the approximate middle area of the starting line. During the starting sequence, competitors may use it as a reference once they determine its proximity to the start line. ***It will not be a mark of the course until 5 minutes after the start at which time it will mark the port end of the finish line.***

The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a yellow flag at the starboard end and an orange ball at the port end. The start and finish lines are open.

Races will be started by using the 3 minute sound sequence under Appendix S of the US Sailing prescriptions to the RRS. The Race Committee may use the "I" flag, "U" flag or "Black" flag.

A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS rules A4 and A5.

10 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with the low point system of RRS Appendix A. If six (6) or more races are completed, each boat's worst finish will be discarded. If twelve (12) or more races have been completed, each boat's two worst finishes will be discarded. This changes RRS A2.

11 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 45 minutes for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. The Race Committee may finish a boat in place at its discretion.

12 CHANGE OF THE COURSE

A change of the course will be signaled in accordance with RRS33. The new mark will be a Tetrahedron of a different color than the original mark. Any mark rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration. If a subsequent change of course is required in the same race, the mark will be replaced with the original mark.

13 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Competitors intending to protest shall inform the Race Committee immediately after finishing. Boats should sail to the non-course side of the committee boat to report the protest. Boats unable to finish but wishing to protest should notify the Race Committee via committee representatives either on the water or on shore. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered in writing using forms available from the Race Committee or the registration desk at Havens Beach. Completed protest forms must be submitted to the Race Committee representative stationed at the registration desk at Havens Beach within one hour after the race committee boat docks at Breakwater Yacht Club after completion of the day's racing. The time the race committee boat docks, the resulting protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Protests will be heard

in the approximate order received as soon as possible after racing each day in the Breakwater Yacht Club clubhouse or Havens Beach, as directed by the Race Committee.

14 SAFETY & CHECK-IN

Skippers and crew are required to wear personal flotation devices at all times while racing, except temporarily while changing clothes. Failure to do so subjects the competitor to protest by the Race Committee.

All boats must have a bow line attached to the bottom of the forestay of suitable length to allow a Safety boat to use to pull the bow into the wind if necessary to allow the boat to be righted.

A competitor who withdraws from a race or intends to not start a race shall inform the nearest Safety or Race Committee boat as soon as possible. If unable to notify the Race Committee on the water, such competitor must notify a Race Committee representative on shore promptly upon reaching the shore.

All boats must display legible sail numbers.

Competitors are required to check in with the race committee before the warning signal of the first race each day by sailing past the stern of the committee on starboard tack and hailing their number and hearing a response from the committee. Competitors are required to check in again upon returning to the course after going ashore for any reason. ***Failure to check-in will result in disqualification (DSQ) for the first race of the given day.***

15 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee member or class measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. Each boat must display a sail number in accordance with JYCA rules.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

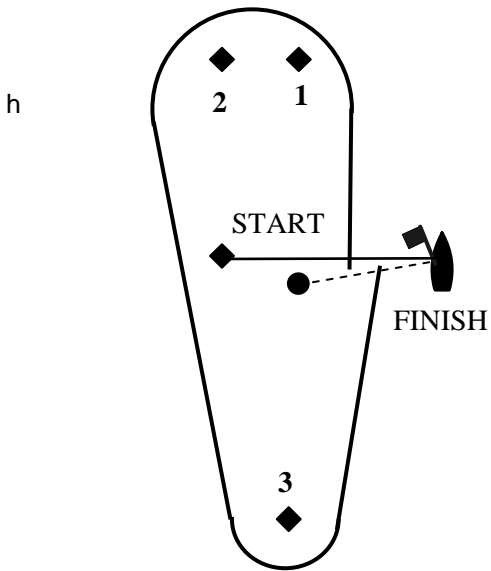
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

WL = WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

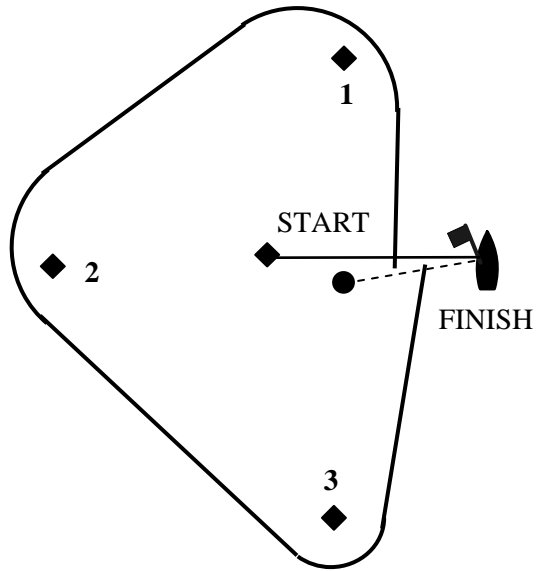
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T = TRIANGLE COURSE

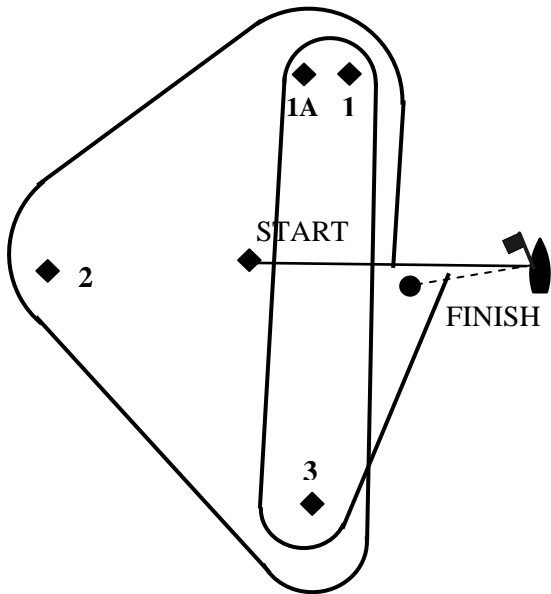
Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

1 OR 2 = ONCE OR TWICE AROUND



MO = TRIANGLE-WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 1A - 3 - Finish



LEEWARD GATE FOR MARK 3

