

CANADIAN SHARK CLASS ASSOCIATION

STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS GUIDE

At some regattas involving other classes the coaches have asked whether a standard set of instructions could apply to all regattas, with a short Executive Summary style of attachment provided to highlight any changes that are specific to that event. Last year the Canadian Shark Class Association (CSCA) introduced that concept and it was successfully used at several regattas.

This is the template for the executive summary, Attachment A. It is to be used in conjunction with the CSCA standard sailing instructions (SSI).

The intent is that competitors can use a copy of the SSI for the entire season. In fact, they will be encouraged to keep them so that we can lessen our environmental footprint. Competitors will arrive at your regatta already familiar with the instructions and will only have to familiarize themselves with the few changes necessary to suit your venue.

Just as some racing rules of sailing can be changed by the sailing instructions, the SSI instructions can be changed but only within Attachment A. If an SSI is changed it shall include the words “this changes standard instruction ____” (not necessary where the SSI refers to Attachment A).

Although written with two-day Counter Regattas in mind, CSCA is in favour of having any Shark regatta use them. We would appreciate hearing about it if you do.

Guidelines to the conduct of the races:

Mark 1 target time. This should be geared toward the size of the fleet. With a 30 boat fleet, 15 minutes seems to work well, resulting in a 1 hour race for the 1st boat on an L2 course. A distance to mark 1 of 0.9 nautical miles works if the boats are moving well.

With a 50+ boat fleet the target time should be 20 minutes.

With a 15- boat fleet one could reduce the target time to 10 minutes so as to run an extra race or two.

CSCA would appreciate any feedback on the use of this instruction set.

May 27-28, 2017

2017 Shark Trillium Regatta

The Royal Canadian Yacht Club

Toronto



*This Counter Regatta is sanctioned by the
Canadian Shark Class Association*

ATTACHMENT A to Initial Release ~ March 20, 2016 of the CSCA STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SSI)

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the main veranda of the Clubhouse.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the southeast corner of the RCYC Sailing Office.

7 RACING AREAS

The race course area will be approximately 1 nautical mile southwest of the Centennial Pier.

8 THE COURSES

8.5 Where the course diagram shows both the starting and finishing marks, both may be in place during a start or a finish.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 1a, 2p and 2s will be orange.

9.2 New marks as provided in instruction 12.1 will be yellow.

9.3 blank

9.4 The starting marks will be the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a green mark at the port end.

9.5 The finishing marks will be the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a red mark at the port end.

10 OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 There are no obstruction areas.

11 THE START

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.2 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4 and SSI 11.2.

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 new 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 is deleted (if the course is changed both the windward and offset marks will be replaced).

12.3. is deleted (if there is a course change at the leeward marks both marks will be replaced)

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the starboard end signal boat and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1.1 The race office is located at the RCYC sailing Office.

15.3.1 The protest room is located at the southeast end of the RCYC main club house.

21 Official Boats

21.1 Official boats will not be specifically identified

26 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

(a) The winner of the regatta will be awarded with Bill Grant trophy.

(b) Keeper prizes will be awarded to the top 5 skippers and crew.