

# 2021 J/105 North American Championship October 26-31, 2021

Organizing Authority: Annapolis Yacht Club,
Annapolis, Maryland, USA
http://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/regattas



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS inc. Amend No.1 & 2

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the notice of race (NoR) or sailing instructions (SIs) 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 of the NoR or SIs means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The regatta is designated by the J/105 Class Executive Committee as an International Class Event and is categorized as a Level 1A event in accordance with CR 3.4 and 3.6.
- 1.3 The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply except for Section B of the ERS.
- 1.4 The "Rulings of the Technical Committee" referred to in CR 7.8 can be found on the J/105 Class website under "Rule Interpretations" located at <a href="https://j105.org/rule-interpretations/">https://j105.org/rule-interpretations/</a>

#### 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 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.

## 3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board ("ONB") which is electronic and located at: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13152
- 3.2 The Race Office is located on the ground level of the AYC Sailing Center and can be reached by telephone at 410-858-4964 or by email at raceoffice@annapolisyc.org.
- 3.3 Forms can be found online at https://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice. To file a protest using the online form you may need to download the Adobe PDF app.
- 3.4 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72. This includes announcements and confirmation of race committee signals before, during, and after racing.
- 3.5 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

#### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals flown ashore will be flown from flagpole at the AYC Clubhouse.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the approximate time of the next warning signal will be announced to all competitors before it is removed. This changes RRS race signals.

#### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

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D	Day	Date	Event	Time
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Tues	Oct 26	Registration/Inspections/Crew Weigh-In - AYC Sailing Center	1000-1800
Wed	Oct 27	Registration/Inspections/Crew Weigh-In - AYC Sailing Center	1000-1800
		All boats afloat	1800
		Competitors Meeting and Welcome Party - AYC Main Clubhouse	1800
Thu	Oct 28	Late Crew Weigh-in at AYC Sailing Center	0800-0900
		First Warning Signal	1100
		Competitor Dinner - AYC Main Clubhouse - Skipjack Level	1830
Fri	Oct 29	First Warning Signal Free Night to See Annapolis	1100
Sat	Oct 30	First Warning Signal	1100
		Competitor Social - Offsite	1800
Sun	Oct 31	First Warning Signal	1100
		Awards Presentation - AYC Sailing Center	1700

- 6.2 A total of 11 races are scheduled.
- 6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1430 on the last day or racing, Sunday, October 31, 2021.

## 7 CLASS FLAG

7.1 The Class Flag will be the J/105 logo on a White background

## 8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.
- 8.2 Approximately 120 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce on VHF radio, and post on the ONB, the approximate location of the starting area.
- 8.3 Approximately 30 minutes prior to the first scheduled warning signal, the race committee will announce on VHF radio, and post on the ONB, the location of the race committee signal vessel.

#### 9 COURSES

- 9.1 The courses are described in SI Attachment 2.
- 9.2 Prior to the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will announce on VHF radio the course to be sailed, the approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks, and the approximate magnetic heading from the starting vessel to the first mark of the course .The RC will also display this information using placards on the on the side of the starting vessel opposite the starting line.
- 9.3 If the race committee signal vessel displays flag C before the warning signal, accompanied by a series of repetitive sounds, the first mark of the course will be a new mark (see SI 10).

#### 10 MARKS

10.1 Starting and finishing marks will be either lime green cylinders, a green MarkSetBot, or an orange flag on a race committee vessel. Mark 1a will be a lime green cylinder. All other marks of the course will be orange cylinders. New marks will be orange cylinders with a dark colored band in accordance with SI 13.

#### 11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting vessel and either the course side of the pin end starting mark or an orange flag on a race committee vessel.
- 11.4 A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

#### 12 RECALLS

12.1 The race committee will announce on VHF radio boats identified as OCS, UFD, or BFD. A boat may not base a request for redress on the failure to hear or receive the announcements, the timeliness of announcement or the order in which boats are announced. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

13.1 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.

## 14 THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

#### 15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.2 RRS Appendix V1 Alternative Penalties will apply.
- 15.3 RRS Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply, modified to include breaking CR 7.2, 7.5, 7.6, or 7.9.

#### 16 RACING TIME LIMITS

16.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
45 minutes	150 minutes	30 minutes

- 16.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- 16.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat in a class sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## 17 HEARING REQUESTS

- 17.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee Signal Boat docks. The time will be posted on the official notice board. This changes RRS 61.3.
- 17.2 The race committee will post a list of race committee scoring actions no later than the protest time limit.
- 17.3 Notices of protests by the race committee, protest committee, or the technical committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.4 As soon as practicable after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 17.5 Breaches of SIs 19, 20, and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 17.7 Hearing Requests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk located on the 1st floor, harborside of the AYC Sailing Center or via email to the email-address indicated in SI 3.2. Forms can be found online at

https://www.annapolisyc.com/racing/raceoffice. To view the online-forms and to file a Hearing Request using them, you may need software that allows you to download, view and edit .PDF (Adobe Acrobat) files.

#### 18 SCORING

- 18.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 18.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion. This modifies Appendix A2.
- 18.3 Scoring inquiry forms are available at the protest committee desk. Scoring inquiries shall be delivered to the Race Office (see SI 3.2) by 0730 hrs on the day following the race in question or 30 mins after the posting of the preliminary results for that race, whichever is later, except for the last day of racing. For races held the last day of racing, scoring inquiries must be filed within the protest time limit or 30 minutes after the provisional final results are posted, whichever is later.

## 19 [DP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or race office (see SI 3) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.2 A boat without way may use any means of propulsion to avoid commercial traffic that is under way provided: (a) the boat does not gain an advantage; (b) using the propulsion is the boat's only means of avoiding the commercial traffic; and (c) the boat submits a report (in writing or by e-mail) with the event's race office (see SI 3) by the protest filing deadline describing the incident and the boat's actions.
- 19.3 A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 19.4 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for breaking SI 19.2 or 19.3 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

#### 20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will be allowed only with written approval of the Organizing Authority (OA) or Chief Judge in compliance with J/105 Class Rules.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will be allowed only with written approval of the J/105 Technical Committee or Chief Judge in compliance with J/105 Class Rules.

## 21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

21.1 On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or technical committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection. When ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in class rules, the notice of race and at the discretion of the race committee or technical committee.

## 22 EVENT ADVERTISING

- 22.1 Subject to WS (World Sailing) Regulation 20, Advertising Code and CR 2.8, boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken, WS regulation 20.9 applies.
- 22.2 Bow numbers will be assigned by the OA and affixed to the hull according to the instructions provided.

## 23 SUPPORT VESSELS

- 23.1 Coaches and other support vessels shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 23.2 Coaches and other support vessels shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 23.3 Support vessels shall comply with CR 7.10.

23.4 Support boats and operators shall register with the OA during check in. While on the water support boats shall display prominently the flag supplied by the OA during check in.

#### 24 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 24.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the O/A, after consultation with the Technical Committee. However, in the case of an emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.
- 24.2 All boats shall be in the water by 1800 on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 and shall remain in the water through the end of the regatta, subject to the provisions of SI 24.1.

## 25 PRIZES

- 25.1 Prizes will be awarded in accordance with the notice of race.
- 25.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 25.3 Arrangements for presenting awards will be posted on the notice board.

## **26 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

26.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

## SI ATTACHMENT 1 - DROP MARKS COURSES

In the below table, the course designation is followed by the mark rounding order for that course. All marks except 2S are to be rounded to port. If the race committee announces on VHF radio that a gate will not be used, then mark 2S will not be set. The marks are described in SI 10. The starting line is described in SI 11.2. The finishing line is described in SI 14.1

