## Kenosha Yacht Club Thursday & Sunday Series Sailing Instructions

# 1. Rules

- 1.1. The series will be governed by current prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, and by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2. Decision to Race The Responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.

## 2. Entries

2.1. Eligible competitors may enter by submitting the Kenosha Yacht Club Registration form before 17:00 on the day you wish to sail.

## 3. Notices to Competitors

3.1. Notices to competitors may be posted on the official notice board located at the Kenosha Yacht Club.

## 4. Changes in Sailing Instructions

4.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 17:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the normal Thursday Schedule of races will be posted 6 days in advance. Email notification will be attempted for all competitors.

## 5. Signals Made Ashore

5.1. All signals will be made verbally or via radio broadcast on Channel 68 at the Kenosha Yacht Club.

# 6. Schedule of Races

- 6.1. See Race Schedule for racing dates.
- 6.2. First warning signal for the race will normally be a 18:25 for the Thursday Night Series.
- 6.3. First warning signal for the 1<sup>st</sup> race will normally be a 10:55 for the Sunday Series.
- 6.4. No warning signal will be made after 19:30 on a day of racing.

# 7. Classes

7.1. Three boats competing on a day constitute a fleet start.

# 8. Racing Area

8.1. The racing area will be located within 1/2 mile northeast of the Port of Kenosha.

#### 8.2. Mark waypoints:

- Center: 42° 36.7', 87° 46.5'
- NW: 42° 37.407', 87° 47.461'
- NE: 42° 37.407', 87° 45.539'
- SW: 42° 35.993', 87° 47.461'
- SE: 42° 35.993', 87° 45.539'

# 9. Courses

- 9.1. The course shall be announced by radio and Channel 68. If radio communication fails,
- the course will be hailed between boats until all competitors are notified.

### 10. Marks

10.1. Marks will be floating buoys. Permanent marks are cylindrical and yellow in color. If temporary marks are used, they will be orange inflatables unless otherwise specified by race committee.

#### 11. Start

- 11.1. Races will be started as follows.
  - 11.1.1. Warning Signal 5 minutes before the start Class flag up, horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68.
  - 11.1.2. Preparatory Signal 4 minutes before the start [P, I, Z, Z with I or black flag up], Class flag up, 1 horn, and courtesy announcement on Channel 68.
  - 11.1.3. One Minute Signal 1 minute before the start Preparatory flag removed, Class flag up, 1 long horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68
  - 11.1.4. Start Signal Class flag removed, horn and courtesy announcement on Channel 68

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11.1.5. The start will be between the two marks designated as the starting line

## 12. Recalls

- 12.1. An individual recall will be signaled by a second horn, and a courtesy broadcast on Channel 68 of the sail number or boat description.
- 12.2. A general recall shall be signaled by 2 additional horns and a courtesy broadcast on Channel 68.
- 12.3. General comments and criticism from the competitors may follow. This shall carry no weight.

## 13. The Finish

13.1. The finish will be between the marks or pier head that has been designated as the finish as part of the course description.

## 14. Penalty System

14.1. Only a 360-degree turn penalty, Rule 44.2 modified, will during the Thursday Series.

## 15. Protests

- 15.1. Protests shall be written and submitted with 30 minutes after the last boat's finish in that race.
- 15.2. Protests properly submitted will be heard on the day of the race by a committee of peers agreed to by consensus.
- 15.3. A written and submitted protest automatically volunteers you for race committee duty for a term agreed upon by the current race committee.

#### 16. Scoring

- 16.1. Scoring in accordance with Appendix AA (course diagrams) as modified below.
- 16.2. A competitor's score will be the sum of her races scored divided by the total races scored.
- 16.3. A competitor shall have 20% of the races (rounded) excluded from the scoring. **17. Finishing** 
  - 17.1. A boat that retires prior to the start sequence will be awarded a DNS. Score = number of boats racing +1.
  - 17.2. A boat that retires after starting the race will be awarded a DNF. Score = number of boats racing.
  - 17.3. Boats that assist a competitors boat that appear to be in a dangerous situation will be addressed redress.

#### 18. Time Limit

- 18.1. All boats shall finish by 21:00. Any boats not finishing by this time will be scored DNF.
- 18.2. Any boat not finishing within one hour of the first boat shall be scored DNF.
- 18.3. The time limit for each leg is 1 hour.

# 19. Safety

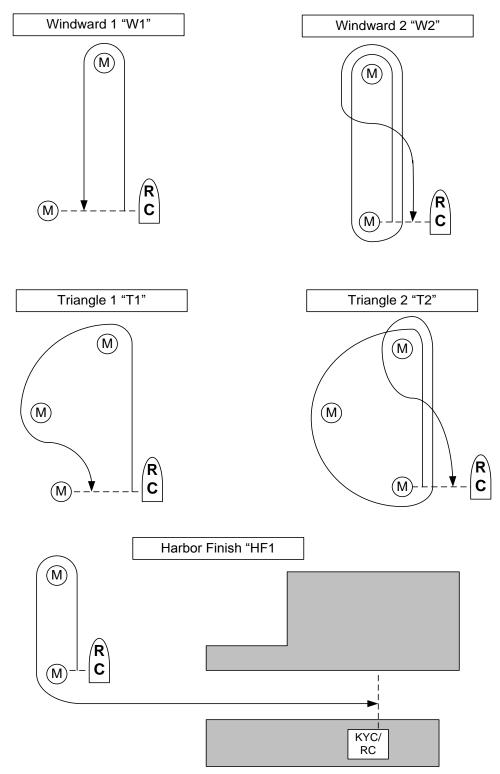
- 19.1. All competitors and safety boat operators shall carry an approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) for each person on the boat.
- 19.2. Races may be cancelled by the race committee. An announcement will be made via radio.

#### 20. Prizes

20.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 boats in each fleet per series per season.

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Note: Race Committee may adjust the course to take advantage of wind direction, available marks, or to ensure a race can be completed during daylight.