

# Comet Internationals

## August 26, 27 & 28, 2022

### Shrewsbury Sailing Yacht Club

## Sailing Instructions

### 1.0 RULES

This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the by-laws and appendices of the Comet Class Yacht Racing Association (CCYRA), and these Sailing Instructions. The regatta is designated Category A.

### 2.0 ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with the regatta registration committee. Boats, sails, or other equipment may be subject to measurement at the discretion of the organizing authority or its CCYRA representative. Boats failing to meet CCYRA equipment requirements (paddle, 4 lb. anchor, 50 ft line and USCG approved PFD's) may be subject to protest. All boats shall be helmed by a member in good standing of the CCYRA.

### 3.0 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:00 AM each day on the official notice board. This is located next to the door entering the Club from the deck.

### 4.0 NUMBER AND SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 Seven (7) races are scheduled. Several races may be sailed on any day at the discretion of the race committee. The warning signal for the first race on each day is scheduled as indicated below.

4.2 Races will be run back to back each day. A yellow flag will be displayed at the finish when another race is to follow. Schedule of races is as follows:

	<b>Friday 8/26/22</b>	<b>Saturday 8/27/22</b>	<b>Sunday 8/28/22</b>
<b>Late Registration</b>	<b>8:00 – 9:30</b>		
<b>Skippers Meeting</b>	<b>9:30</b>		
<b>Harbor Gun</b>	<b>10:30</b>	<b>10:00</b>	<b>10:00</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Warning Signal</b>	<b>11:00</b>	<b>10:30</b>	<b>10:30</b>
	<b>No start after 4:00</b>	<b>No start after 4:00</b>	<b>No Start after 2:00 pm</b>
<b>Trophy Awards</b>			<b>Approx 3:00 pm</b>

### 5.0 THE COURSE

5.1 The diagram in Appendix A shows the course including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed. All marks are to be rounded to port.

5.2 Race Courses may not be shortened.

5.3 Each day prior to the warning signal of the first race each boat shall check in at the stern of the Signal Boat after the Signal Boat anchors. Pass by one at a time on starboard tack, call your sail number and receive a confirmation.

### 6.0 MARKS

All three marks will be the yellow inflatable cylinder.

NEW mark used for modification of course will be an orange inflatable cylinder.

### 7.0 THE START

7.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Committee boat (Mary Patten) and a large red hippity-hop buoy.

7.2 Decision to start a race shall be made by each skipper on his/her own responsibility and each competitor is solely responsible for his/her safety. A boat retiring from a race shall notify the race Committee as soon as practicable.

7.3 RRS rule 26 will be used except that an attention signal (repeated horn blasts) will be given approximately one minute prior to the Warning signal. The Comet class flag will be used as the class flag for the starting sequence.

7.4 A boat shall not start later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

### 8.0 RECALLS AND STARTING PENALTIES

The Race Committee will attempt to hail boats that have started on course side, solely as a courtesy. It is the skipper's responsibility to recognize and correct his/her violation. Failure to hear a hailed number is not grounds for redress.

#### 9.0. CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by a yellow cylinder.

#### 10.0. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a blue flag on the Signal boat and a large red hippity-hop buoy.

11.0. TIME LIMIT The time limit shall be two hours, EXCEPT that if the leading boat fails to round the windward mark within 20 minutes after her start, or complete the course within two hours, that race shall be abandoned. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

#### 12.0. PROTESTS

12.1 In addition to the requirements of 61.1a, a boat intending to lodge a protest shall inform the Race Committee at the finishing line and receive acknowledgement or as soon as practicable thereafter.

12.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee comes ashore. That time limit will be posted on the official notice board immediately after the Signal boat returns to dock. The time and location of the hearing will also be posted on the official notice board. A list of pending protests will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the end of protest filing time.

12.3 Protest forms will be at the registration table.

12.4. Because more than one race or sequence of races will be held on the same day, a Code "R" flag (Yellow cross on a Red background) will be displayed at the finish when another race is to follow the same day, and the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. After a long postponement (ten minutes or more), a day's prior race, and/or the lunch break, to alert boats that a race will begin soon, the ORANGE line flag will be displayed (with one sound) at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed

#### 13.0 SCORING

13.1 The low point scoring system described in RRS Appendix A will apply. Each boat's regattas score shall be the total of her race scores unless (4) four or more races are completed and then she may exclude her worst score.

13.2 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta. At the discretion of the Race Committee, abandoned races may be re-sailed to complete the maximum number of races, but not to exceed seven completed races in total.

## **COMET INTERNATIONAL AWARDS**

Trophies 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th . . . Skipper & Crew

### **COMET PERPETUAL TROPHIES**

President's Permanent Trophy – 1<sup>st</sup> Overall

Jay Achenbach Trophy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall

Dave Rodgers Trophy – 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall

C. Lowndes Johnson Trophy – 1<sup>st</sup> in 1st race

Wilbur Hamilton-Haines Trophy – 1<sup>st</sup> in last race

Eugene Barilla Trophy - Best finish from the sponsoring club

Herbert L. Stone Trophy - First time participant with best score

Dr. Allen Brown Memorial Trophy - Best score for Skipper 21 years old or under

# Appendix A

## Olympic Course

