



## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES –

1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS), except as any of these is altered by these Sailing Instructions.
2. The organizing authority for this regatta is the North Cape Yacht Club (NCYC)

### 2. ENTRIES –

1. All registration requirements shall be completed by 2000 on Thursday 25 August 2011 unless the Race Committee grants an extension. These include:
  - a. Complete entry form.
  - b. Pay all fees.
  - c. Satisfy measurement requirements.
  - d. Complete weigh in and sign waivers.

### 3. REGATTA HEADQUARTERS –

1. Regatta Headquarters will be at the Clubhouse of NCYC.

### 4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS –

1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Clubhouse entrance windows.

### 5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS –

1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the protest time limit or 1800 whichever is later on the day before it will take effect.

### 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE –

1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole at the NCYC Clubhouse.
2. When Code Flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" after the "AP" is lowered. This changes Race Signals "AP".
3. Code Flag "N" over Code Flag "A" with three sound signals means: "All races scheduled today but not started are re-scheduled for the following day." This applies to Friday and Saturday only.
4. Flag L with one sound signal means: "Notice to competitors has been posted."

### 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES –

1. The warning signal for the first race of the day will be made at 1100.
2. Flag R (yellow cross on a red field) will be displayed at the finish when another race is to follow. Flag R will be lowered on the starting line signal boat with a series of horn sound signals one minute before the warning signal for the start of the next race.
3. A minimum of eight (8) races are scheduled; there will be no more than eleven (11). Three races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship.
4. Three races are scheduled on Friday, three on Saturday, two on Sunday. Races not completed Friday may be sailed Saturday. Races not completed Saturday may be sailed Sunday. Races not completed Sunday will not be sailed. No more than four races will be sailed per day.
5. No starting signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday 28 August 2011.

## 8. CHECK-IN –

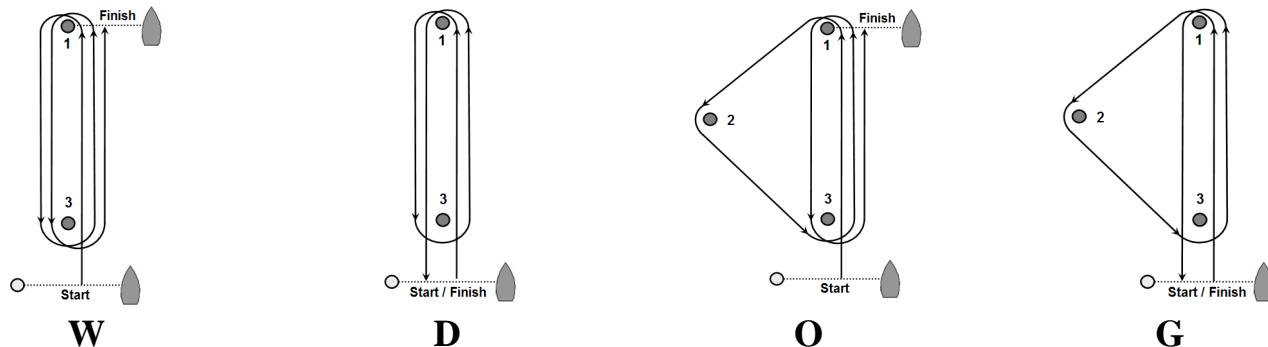
1. Each day before the first warning signal of the first race a boat sails, each boat shall pass the Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

## 9. RACING AREA –

1. The racing start area is on western Lake Erie, East of the North Cape Yacht Club.
2. A chart showing the racing area will be displayed on the official notice board.

## 10. COURSES –

The courses will be as shown in the diagrams (not to scale) indicating the number of legs to be sailed and the description below.



1. No later than the warning signal a code flag signal will indicate the course to be sailed. The approximate distance between the leeward and windward marks and the approximate magnetic bearing of the weather mark will be shown with numbers on a board. It is the Race Committee intention to have a 1.5 nm minimum beat on the first leg.
2. For any of the courses shown in above the Race Committee may extend or reduce the distance between the leeward mark and the weather mark after completing the first beat. Signals for weather mark distance change will be made in accordance with SI 14.1 and RRS 33.
3. Interior angles of a triangle course shall be approximately 45 deg, 90 deg, and 45 deg respectively.
4. For W and D courses, an offset mark will be set 5 – 7 boat lengths to port of the weather mark. Both marks shall be left to port. For triangle legs the offset mark, if present, will not be a mark of the course.
5. For all courses, the leeward mark is not a mark of the course during the first leg of the course. For courses D and G leeward mark is not a mark of the course on the last leg of the course. For course W and O the weather mark will be the finish mark.
6. For all courses, the leeward mark may be replaced by a gate.
7. For courses D and G the starting mark in SI 11.4 may be re-set in accordance with SI 15.2.

## 11. MARKS –

1. Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be inflatable orange buoys.
2. Offset Mark at 1 will be a small rigid orange spherical buoy (“Hippity Hop”).
3. Change marks, when used in accordance with RRS 33, will be inflatable yellow tetrahedron buoy.
4. Except as provided in SI 11.5 starting marks shall be an inflatable yellow cylinder buoy.
5. The RC may use a small boat as the starting mark in place of the inflatable mark described in SI 11.4.
6. Finish mark for courses W and O will be the weather mark.
7. Finish mark for courses D and G will be the starting mark of SI 11.4.

## 12. THE START –

1. The starting line will be between the course side of the starting mark and the hoist of the orange flag displayed on the Race Committee signal boat.
2. In the event the Race Committee uses a small boat as the starting mark; the starting line will be between the course side of the hoist of an orange flag displayed on the starting mark boat, and the hoist of the orange flag displayed on the Race Committee signal boat.
3. The class flag in RRS 26 will be a white flag bearing the class logo.
4. A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4.1.

## 13. RECALLS –

1. The Race Committee may attempt to notify boats identified as OCS by announcing their sail numbers over VHF Channel 71. Failure to hear or receive such transmission, or the order of sail numbers announced, will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

## 14. CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK –

1. For courses G and O it is the intention of the RC to extend the weather leg for the second and/or subsequent (if any) beat. Extending the weather mark will be treated as a change of course and/or distance under RRS 33. In the case of a change of distance "+" shall be interpreted to mean a magnitude of change of 1 nm. This modifies rule 33(b).
2. For subsequent changes to a mark, the changed mark will alternate between the change mark and the original mark.

#### **15. THE FINISH –**

1. The finish line for courses W and O will be between the hoist of the orange flag displayed on the Race Committee boat displaying the courtesy blue flag/shape signal and the weather mark.
2. For courses D and G the finish line will be between the hoist of the staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee finish boat displaying the courtesy blue flag/shape signal and a nearby yellow cylinder.

#### **16. TIME LIMITS –**

1. The Race Committee will abandon a race if no boat has rounded the first mark within 45 minutes after the start.
2. RRS 35 (Time Limit) is replaced by: "If the first boat does not finish within two and one half (2.5) hours, the race shall be abandoned. Boats not finished 15 minutes after the first boat finishes shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired, see scoring) and proceed to the starting area if another race may be run. When this 15 minute period has expired, the finish line committee boat will lower the Blue Flag, accompanied by a long sound signal".

#### **17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS –**

1. RRS 61.1(a) is changed by adding: "A boat displaying a red flag and intending to protest, shall inform the Race Committee as soon as possible after finishing by a hail that includes the bow number or sail number of the protested boat."
2. The protest time limit in RRS 61.3 is one hour after the Race Committee signal boat docks. Protest forms are available at the official notice board in the clubhouse. The end of protest time will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible.
3. Notices will be posted on the official notice board in the clubhouse to inform competitors of protest hearings in which they are parties not later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held at the North Cape Yacht Club clubhouse as soon as possible, approximately in the order received. Location and times will be posted on the official notice board.
4. The penalty for breaking Sailing Instruction 2, 8, 19, 20 or 21 will be at the discretion of the jury.

#### **18. SCORING –**

1. The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races.
2. Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats in their class finishing within the time limit plus two points, except that she shall not be scored worse than last place, by the Race Committee without a hearing. This changes RRS A4.1, A4.2 and A5.

#### **19. SAFETY REGULATIONS –**

1. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 16 and 71.
2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity via VHF Channel 71.

#### **20. TRASH DISPOSAL –**

1. Boats shall not put trash in the water.

#### **21. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS –**

1. The Race Committee may attempt to provide information on VHF Channel 71 as a courtesy. In all cases race signals shall govern.
2. Failure to hear or receive such transmission will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.
3. A boat shall not make any radio transmissions while racing except on VHF Channel 16 or with the Race Committee on VHF Channel 71. While racing, no competitors are allowed to receive communication not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

#### **22. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT –**

1. Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Protest Committee chair. Substitutes will be required to weigh in.
2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed written approved by the Race Committee. Replacement equipment must be measured prior to use to ensure compliance with current J/35 National Class Association Rules.

#### **23. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS –**

1. Any competitor's boat, equipment and/or crew may be inspected at any time randomly and without notice to ensure compliance with the current J/35 National Class Association Rules.

**24. SUPPORT BOATS –**

1. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel are prohibited from any participation during this event.

**25. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS –**

1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to prior written approval of the Race Committee.

**26. PRIZES –**

1. Regatta Overall prizes will be awarded to competitors placing 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup>. Awards for each day's performance will be presented at the social gathering each evening.