



**US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships  
Area B Championship**

The U.S. Junior Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup  
Organizing Authority (OA): The Chicago Yacht Club and US Sailing

**Monday July 8<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Issued July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), and the Prescriptions of US Sailing. Applicable Prescriptions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 1.2. The following documents shall apply:
  - 1.2.1. [US Sailing Regulations 2.02, 4.02, 13, 14.04](#)
  - 1.2.2. [US Sailing Regulation 10](#). An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the Championships' Code of Conduct.
  - 1.2.3. The sections of the [Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship](#) applicable to the Area Championships.
  - 1.2.4. [US Sailing's SafeSport Handbook](#)
  - 1.2.5. [US Sailing's Code of Conduct](#)
  - 1.2.6. [The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy](#). This will be a Grade 1 Coaching event.
- 1.3. This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Sonar classes will apply.
- 1.4. RRS 40 is changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. (US Sailing Regulation 10) A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however an inadvertent and momentary breach of this instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 64.1. [DP]\*



- 1.5. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to add: prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- 1.6. RRS 61.1(a) is changed to add: "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee (RC) finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested."
- 1.7. When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.2 is changed to substitute code flag Lima for signaling a breakdown on the boat and reference to umpire is removed.
- 1.8. The notation "[DP]" in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

## 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in CYC Belmont Station main barge, the unofficial notice board will be:

[https://yachtscoring.com/notice\\_board\\_summary.cfm](https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm)

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the SIs will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the close of the morning briefing on the day it takes effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than the end of the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals ashore will be displayed from the flag pole located on the Belmont Station patio.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "no less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

## 5. SAFETY AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

- 5.1. Before the warning signal of the first race in which they intend to compete each day, boats shall check in by sailing on starboard tack of their class's RC signal boat. Each boat shall hail her recall number until acknowledged by the signal boat. Failure to check in may result in a penalty. [DP]
- 5.2. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a RC vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, immediately after arrival ashore. [DP]
- 5.3. The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing. For the Sonar discipline, competitors may also bring aboard their personal trapeze harness. [DP]
- 5.4. GPS devices are specifically prohibited. [DP]

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

**Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**1000-1400 Practice and Registration**  
**Lunch on water**  
**1430 First Start**  
**1800 No Races after this time**

**Tuesday July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**(if 5 or fewer races have been sailed on July 8th)**

**1030 First Warning**  
**1500 No warning signal after this time**



- 6.1. There are a maximum of 6 races scheduled.
- 6.2. The warning signal for succeeding races will be made as soon as possible after finish of preceding race.
- 6.3. Weather conditions, the need to protect borrowed boats and equipment, or the need to expedite the completion of the event may require procedures other than those mentioned in these SIs. Any such special procedures must be approved by the Protest Committee (PC).
- 6.4. Shortened Event. Should wind, weather or other conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races within the publicized time, the event shall be terminated and the results based on the completed number of races. Termination and decisions regarding results shall be made by the PC

## **7. THE COURSE**

- 7.1. The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on each mark is to be left.
- 7.2. If one of the gate marks is missing, the mark in position will be rounded to port.

## **8. MARKS**

- 8.1. Rounding marks will be Orange cylinders with NO offset.
- 8.2. New marks will be yellow cylinders.
- 8.3. Start/Finish Mark will be a White Tet.

## **9. THE START**

- 9.1. Races will be started using Appendix U.
- 9.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side of the mark.
- 9.3. A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes rules 35, 63.1 and A5.

## **10. RECALLS**

- 10.1. The RC will attempt to hail the recall numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. This changes rule 29.1.
- 10.2. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, promptness of the hail, failure to hail any boats, or the order of boats hailed shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.

## **11. CHANGE THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the old marks as soon as practicable.

## **12. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat and the course side of the designated finish mark.

## **13. TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1. The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 13.2. Finish Window – boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course in accordance with rule 28 and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.



#### **14. EVENT PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1. A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking SIs 5, 18 and 19. For the Triplehanded Division, a boat is not permitted to protest another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules. The penalty for breaking these SIs may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the PC. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 14.2. A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the RC finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, identifying the boat(s) being protested. This changes rule 61.1(a).
- 14.3. Protests forms will be available at and returned to the Sailing Office at Belmont station.
- 14.4. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC signal boat docks.
- 14.5. A protest hearing schedule and the location of the hearings will be posted on the official notice board no later than 15 minutes following the end of protest time.
- 14.6. Notice of actions taken by the RC or PC and a list of boats penalized under Appendix P will be on the official notice board.
- 14.7. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
  - a within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
  - b within the protest time limit, or 30 minutes after the decision is announced, whichever is later. This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

#### **15. SCORING**

- 15.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply.
- 15.2. Boats scored TLE shall be scored points equal to one more than the finish place of the last boat to finish within the finish window established in SI 16.2. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 15.3. One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.4. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

#### **16. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

Substitution or repair or replacement of hulls, sails, or equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the PC. [DP]

#### **17. COACHING AND OUTSIDE CONTACT**

- 17.1. This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/>
- 17.2. Except as provided in the Policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the event, except in spectator boats supplied by the Regatta Hosts.

#### **18. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES**

US SAILING REGULATION 10.03 B AND 10.03 C, STATE:\*

*B. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1. marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2. any alcoholic beverages.*



*C. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.*

## **19. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS\***

19.1. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct will be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing.

## **20. PRIZES**

- 20.1. The top finishing, eligible team(s) will qualify for US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships. Eligibility is defined as per the [2019 Chubb US Junior Championship NoR](#).\*
- 20.2. Teams who qualify for Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championship must submit their registration to the event by July 15 or within three days of qualification, if the qualification event concludes after July 15. Failure to register within the deadline will mean the next eligible boat may move forward.\*



## **Attachment A - Borrowed Boats**

### **A1 BOATS**

A1.1 Boats will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- (a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- (c) hulls, centerboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- (d) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided the class rules are compiled with

A1.2 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.

A1.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above SIs will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the SI was broken.

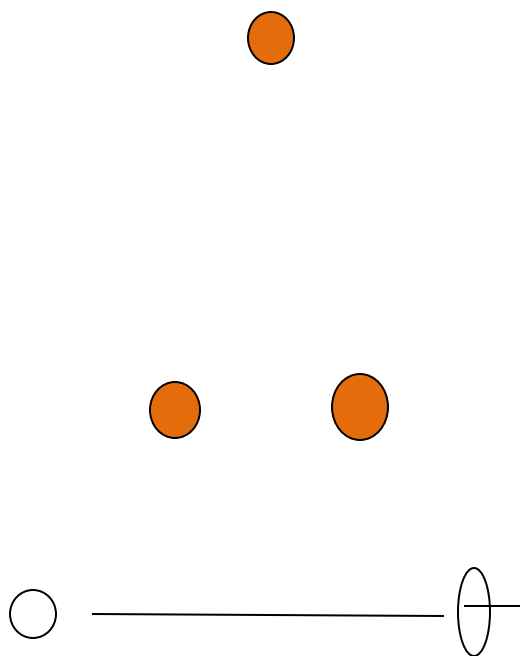
A1.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Organizing Authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this SI, unless the [PC] [jury] is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

A1.5 When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.2 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signaling a breakdown on the boat. Reference to umpire is replaced with PC.



## Attachment B - Courses

The courses will be shown in the diagrams (not to scale).





## **SI ADDENDUM A - HANDLING BOATS**

### **1.GENERAL**

While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

### **2.PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS**

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited:

- 2.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.3 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.7 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while 'AP' is displayed ashore.
- 2.8 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.9 Using a flattener as a reef.
- 2.10 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 2.11 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
- 2.12 Radio transmission (including mobile telephones), except to report damage or in response to a request from the RC, umpires, or OA.
- 2.13 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 2.14 Using a winch to adjust the mainsheet, backstay, outhaul or vang.
- 2.15 Omitting any headsail car or turning block before sheeting onto a winch.
- 2.16 The use of electronic equipment, unless permitted by C3.1.
- 2.17 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 2.18 Marking directly on the hull, deck or lines with any sort of marker, including a pencil, or using any tape that will leave a residue / use of duct tape.
- 2.19 After the starting signal and while sailing close hauled for more than a few seconds, the main boom position shall be controlled only by using the mainsheet as it exits the block on the cockpit floor, and the vang.
- 2.20 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard is prohibited.
- 2.21 A breach of SI C 2.21, 2.22, and 2.27 is not open to protest by boats but is subject to action by the Umpires in accordance with RRS C8.2. This changes RRS C6.2 and C8.2.
- 2.22 Discharge of trash into any waterway.
- 2.23 Hiking off sheets other than working sheets. Halyards and control lines are not working sheets.
- 2.24 Use of duct tape or any tape that leaves a residue. Using tape that leaves a residue is a \$25 deduction from the damage deposit.
- 2.25 Over tensioning jib halyards.
- 2.26 Moving mast blocks
- 2.27 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay [17]  
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### 3. PERMITTED ITEMS AND ACTIONS

The following are permitted:

#### 3.1 Taking on board the following equipment:

- (a) basic hand tools
- (b) adhesive tape other than duct tape (gray tape)
- (c) line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less)
- (d) marking pencil/pen
- (e) paper
- (f) tell tale material
- (g) watch, timers and hand-held compass, competitor supplied VHF used in accordance with C2.12, and small personal video devices such as GoPro.
- (h) velcro tape
- (i) spare flags
- (j) shackles and clevis/cotter pins
- (k) PFDs when not supplied by the OA

#### 3.2 Using the items in 3.1 to:

- (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets
- (b) attach tell tales
- (c) prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard
- (d) mark control settings on working sheets forward of any rope clutches.
- (e) make minor repairs and permitted adjustments
- (f) make signals as per Appendix C6
- (g) make notes
- (h) personal safety
- (i) changing the number of mainsheet or jib sheet purchases.

### 4. MANDATORY ITEMS AND ACTIONS

The following are mandatory.

4.1 All competitors shall report any damage to the Bosun. This can be done verbally or via radio but shall be done after finishing and before starting the next race or before changing boats.

#### 4.2 At the end of each sailing day:

- (a) folding, bagging and placement of the sails as directed
- (b) leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
- (c) securing helm
- (d) securing the boat to its dock as directed
- (e) releasing backstay tension <sup>[SEP]</sup>

4.3 At the end of the day for a particular boat, cleaning the boat (cabin and decks), removing all trash and removing all tape and marks. Emptying the bucket of trash when ashore. Trash, including tape, left onboard may result in a cleaning fee of \$100.00. <sup>[SEP]</sup>

4.4 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.



4.5 Complying with any regulations, including speed restrictions and navigation marks, while leaving or returning to the berth or mooring.

4.6 A breach of items 4.2 and 4.3 will be considered as damage and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.

### **SI ADDENDUM D - EQUIPMENT LIST**

The following non-fixed items, to the extent provided by the OA, are to be carried on board at all times in their designated place while sailing. Any loss shall be reported on the daily damage report.

#### **Sails and Sailing Equipment:**

Mainsail and set of battens  
Jib  
Spinnaker  
Three Sail bags  
One spinnaker pole  
VHF radio (supplied by Competitor)  
One continuous jib sheet<sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>  
Tiller extension<sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>

#### **TACKLE**

Anchor  
Anchor line  
One fender and two dock lines

#### **FLAGS**

Lima / Distress Flag

#### **SAFETY GEAR**

Bucket  
Bilge pump handle  
Sponge

### **SI ADDENDUM E –**

#### **Penalties for Damage resulting from contact between boats**

Appendix C6.6 and C8.6 permits the umpires or protest committee to decide the penalty when a boat breaks RRS 14. This document explains how damage will be assessed and gives general guidance on the appropriate penalty. When the protest committee has good reasons to do so, it may apply a different penalty.

Damage will be divided into 3 levels as shown in the following table.

Level	Extent	Effect
Level A - Minor Damage	Does not significantly affect the value, general appearance or normal operation of the boat.	Boat may race without repair although some minor surface work may be required after the event. Repairs should not normally require more than 1 hour of work.
Level B - Damage	Affects the value and/or general appearance of the boat	The damage does not affect the normal operation of the boat in that race but may need some (temporary) work before racing again. Requires more than 1 hour of work but should not normally require more than 3 hours of work.
Level C - Major Damage	The normal operation of the boat is compromised and its structural integrity may be impaired.	The boat will need some repair work before racing again. Requires more than 3 hours of work.

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## SI Addendum F

### Deductions from Damage Deposits

#### Chicago Yacht Club Sonar Damage Report

The charges below are all applicable where it is obvious that damage or loss was caused due to misuse. The definition of the damage will be decided by the event Bosun or the person in charge.

DAMAGE	DEFINITION	COST
Hull	Gelcoat nicks (per instance) <sup>[SEP]</sup>	\$200.00
	Minor damage not requiring lamination	\$500.00
	Heavy damage requiring lamination or new capping	\$1,000.00
Keel/Rudder	Minor damage	\$400.00
	Heavy damage	\$1,000.00
Boom	Boom break or heavy damage	\$500.00
Mast	Mast break or heavy damage	\$1,000.00
Shrouds	Bent shrouds/turnbuckles	\$250.00
Sails	Rips smaller than 10cm <sup>[SEP]</sup>	\$50.00
	Rips larger than 10cm up to 40cm	\$100.00
	Rips larger than 40cm <sup>[SEP]</sup>	TBD
	Complete loss	\$1,000.00
Flags	Loss	\$50.00
Sheets	Damage or loss	\$100.00
Halyards	Damage or loss	\$200.00
Spinnaker Pole	End fitting damage (per fitting)	\$100.00



	Pole break or loss	\$500.00
Deck Fitting	Damage or loss-small items	\$50.00
	Damage or loss - large items	\$100.00
Tiller	Damage or loss	\$200.00
Tiller Extension	Damage or loss	\$50.00
Hatch	Minor damage	\$100.00
	Major damage	\$300.00

\$100 will be deducted for failure to bail out water at the end of each day. Satisfactory bailing to be determined by the event Bosun.<sup>[1]</sup>

Other charges may be made if other equipment is found to be missing or damaged. This will be determined by the event Bosun.