

# 2015 J22,J24 Sailing Instructions

## Lake Canyon Yacht Club, Nov 21-22, 2015

### 1 Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) as published by the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) and amended by the 2013-2016 US Sailing Prescriptions and Notice of Circuit the J/24 Texas Circuit.
- 1.2 J22 Class Only - Class Rules 2.8 (eligibility), 2.9 (measurement certificate) and 8.9 (weight limit) of the IJ22CA Class Rules will not apply for eligibility to participate in this event.
- 1.3 *J24 Class Only - All yachts must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate per Class Rule 2.5.3. Any yacht without a valid Measurement Certificate may only race with the prior approval of the USJCA District Governor or its designated representative. This changes class rule 2.5.3. However, all yachts must complete and carry aboard while racing the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment per Class Rules 2.5.6 and 3.7.3.*
- 1.4 J24 Class Only - Bow numbers assigned to each boat pursuant to the J/24 Texas Notice of Circuit and will be used as the identification for the boat during the regatta.
- 1.5 J24 Class Only - RRS 42.3(c) is deleted and replaced by Class Rule 8.2.
- 1.6 Any questions in regards to these sailing instructions must be submitted in writing, and any answer will be posted on the official regatta notice board located **on the east window of the clubhouse**.

### 2 Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on **the east window of the clubhouse** .

### 4 Changes in Sailing Instructions

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted no later than one hour before the warning signal on the day they will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 on the day before it will take effect.

### 5 Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed **on the superdock**.
- 5.2 Code flag "AP", Answering Pendant, with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "The race is postponed." The warning signal will be made not less than one hour after "AP" is lowered. The time of the warning signal will be posted on the official Notice Board prior to the lowering of "AP". This modifies Race Signals "AP".

### 6 Schedule of Races

**Nov 21,2015**

10:30a.m.

First Warning Signal Race 1, Races 2 – 4 to follow

For J/22's only - 4<sup>th</sup> Race must be agreed upon by the Current Pro and the Local J22 Fleet Representative, based upon time of day and current weather conditions

Nov 22, 2015

9:30a.m.

Warning Signal

A warning signal will not be made after 1PM on Sunday.

## 7 Class Flag

The Warning Signal for the J/24 Class will be Numeral Pennant 1.

The Warning Signal for the J/22 Class will be **Numeral Pennant 2**.

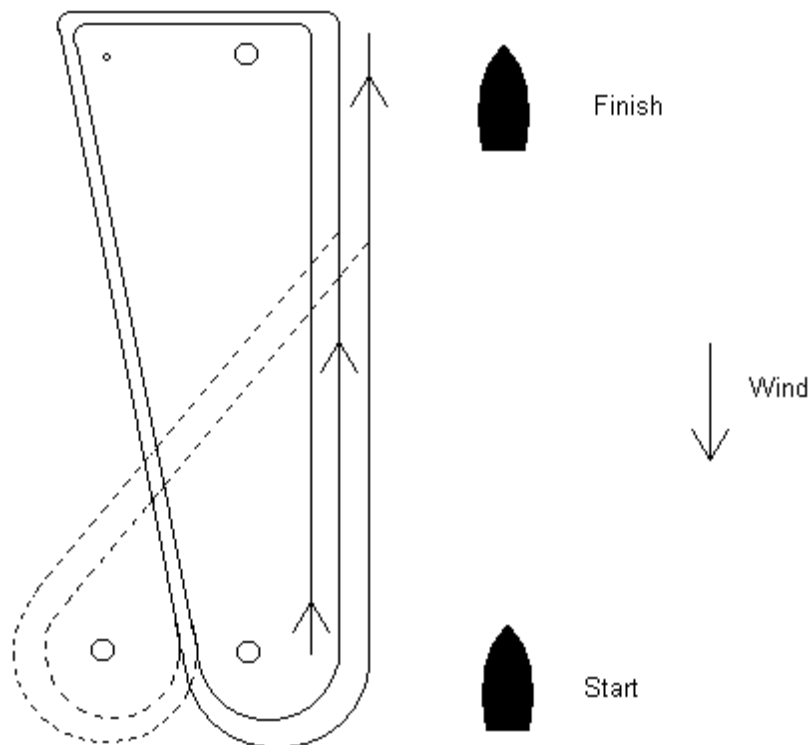
## 8 The Course

The course will be as described and diagrammed below.

8.1 The Offset Mark will be placed at a right angle to the course from Mark 1 to Mark 2 and approximately 150 feet from Mark 1. A gate will be placed at a right angle to the course from Mark 1 to Mark 2 and approximately 150 feet from Mark 2.

8.2 RRS 32.2 is modified to provide that, when shortening a race in order to complete the race within the time limit or so that other scheduled races can be sailed, the course will not be shortened to less than three legs. The distance from Mark 1 to the Offset Mark shall not count as a leg of the course for the purpose of shortening.

8.3 Windward, Leeward, Windward, Leeward, Windward to Finish. The approximate compass bearing to the first mark will be displayed from the race committee boat. An Offset Mark will be used in conjunction with Mark 1. A gate will be set at the leeward mark, allowing competitors to round in either direction.



## **9 Marks**

9.1 The marks will be yellow inflatable marks.

9.2 Change marks, when used in accordance with RRS 33 and Sailing Instruction 12, will be orange inflatable marks, then yellow inflatable marks, alternating.

9.3 The offset mark will be an inflatable mark.

## **10 Checking In**

Before the warning signal of her first race of each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack, past the stern of the committee boat and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the race committee by repeating the boat's bow number. A boat failing to check in shall receive a scoring penalty equal to 20% of the number of boats starting in that race, calculated as specified in RRS 44.3(c). This adds to RRS Appendix A4.2.

## **11 The Start**

11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the adjacent course mark at the port end.

11.3 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast the bow number of each recalled boat on VHF channel 68. The following will not be grounds for redress:

- a) Failure of a boat to receive the recall broadcast.
- b) Failure of the Race Committee to broadcast numbers of recalled boats.
- c) A boat's position in the sequence of broadcast numbers.

11.4 A boat shall not start later than 10 minutes after her starting signal.

11.5 A guard mark may be trailed from the race committee boat. A boat shall not sail between the guard mark and the race committee boat.

## **12 Change of Course After Start**

When a course is changed a second time and a new mark is to be replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark. This adds to RRS 33.

## **13 The Finish**

The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat on the starboard end and the adjacent course mark at the port end.

## **14 Time Limit**

RRS 35 is modified to provide that the time limit will be 2 hours from the starting signal, that if no boat reaches Mark 1 within 45 minutes after her starting signal, the race shall be abandoned, and that boats failing to finish 45 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, which ever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. This modifies RRS A4.2.

## **15 Safety**

A yacht that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area or immediately after arriving ashore.

## **16 J24 Class Only - Penalty System**

16.1 The 20% Scoring Penalty, as provided in RRS 44.3 as modified herein, will apply to boats that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2. The One-turn penalty as provided in RRS 44.1 will apply to boats that may have broken RRS 31.

16.2 RRS 44.3(a) is modified such that the boat taking a Scoring Penalty shall conspicuously display a yellow flag (Code Flag I acceptable), and the flag shall have a hoist of at least than 150mm and a fly of at least than 200mm and shall be flown from a leg of the backstay adjuster above the deck.

16.3 Penalties Taken After a Race – US Sailing Prescription Appendix T2 shall apply as modified herein. The Post-Race Penalty shall 40% if taken before the beginning hearing involving the incident. This modifies Appendix T2.2.

16.4 A boat failing to comply with SI 10.1 will receive a scoring penalty of 20% in the next race without a hearing, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This modifies RRS 63.1 and A5.

## **17 Protests**

17.1 RRS 61.1(a) is modified to provide that a protesting boat, when displaying a red flag, shall do so conspicuously from the backstay, and said red flag shall have an area of at least 176 square centimeters/27 square inches.

17.2 Protests shall be written on protest forms available at the clubhouse or on the internet and delivered to the protest committee's representative within the protest time. Protest time begins when the race committee boat enters the harbor and sounds one signal, and ends 1 hour later. The time that the race committee boat enters the harbor will be posted on the official notice board.

17.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt as soon as possible.

17.4 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the hearing to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to or are named as witness.

## **18 Scoring**

18.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A, will apply. No races shall be discarded; this changes RRS Appendix A2.

18.2 J24 Class Only - A minimum of three (3) races must be completed for this event to be considered a regatta for purposes of scoring in the overall J/24 Texas Circuit series.

18.3 J22 Class Only - A minimum of two (2) races must be completed for this event to be considered a regatta for purposes of scoring in the overall J/22 Texas Circuit series

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### **19 Haul-out Restrictions**

No yacht shall be hauled out during the regatta except with prior written permission of the Protest Committee or Chief Judge. Rudders shall not be removed unless prior written approval is obtained from the Protest Committee or Chief Judge.

### **20 Plastic Pools, Diving Equipment and Careening Restrictions**

Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the Regatta. Careening by any means for the purposes of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited. The hull may be cleaned by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

### **21 Radio Communications**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

### **22 J24 Only - Crew Substitution or Sail Replacement**

22.1 All crews must consist of at least three (3) persons with weight not exceeding 400 kg (882 lbs). All competitors will be weighed during registration and the crew shall remain the same for all races. Any crew substitution requires written permission of the Governor or his designated representative, which will be given only in exceptional cases.

22.2 Replacement of damaged sails will not be allowed unless authorized by the Governor or his designated representative. Requests for sail replacement shall be made to the Governor at the first reasonable opportunity. Replacement sails shall comply with IJCA Class Rules.

22.3 Any replies to crew substitution or sail replacement shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

### **23 J22 Only - Crew Requirements**

23.1 Any substitution from the designated crew list requires prior written permission of the protest committee or chief judge, which will be given only in case of illness, accident or other special circumstances.

23.2 Any request for substitution shall be made through the protest committee or Chief Judge, not less than 1 ½ hours before the warning signal. In the case of emergency, it may be granted retroactively after that time.

23.3 Unless the protest committee or Chief Judge otherwise specifies, any substitution permitted will be for 24 hours only.

23.4 Number of crew shall not change during the Regatta.

## **24 Inspection**

A random inspection may be made during the Regatta for compliance with the current IJ22CA Rules, the IJCA Class Rules and these Sailing Instructions at the discretion of the Protest Committee or Chief Judge.

## **25 J22 Only - Bow Numbers**

25.1 Bow numbers will be assigned at registration as needed.

25.2 A yacht must properly display its assigned bow number. A yacht failing to do so shall be scored DNS.

25.3 Bow numbers shall be displayed on port and starboard side as follows:

- a) Bow numbers will be at least 305mm/12" in height.
- b) The leading edge of the forward number shall be 250mm/10" aft of the stem.
- c) The leading edge of the after number shall be 100mm/4" aft of the aft edge of the forward number.
- d) All numbers must contrast with the color of the hull.
- e) Competitors shall not protest another boat under instruction 23.

## **26 Prizes -**

Prizes will be awarded to the skippers placing first through 5<sup>th</sup> in the Regatta.