

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2018 December, 1st

[NP] Denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for protest by a boat (Modifies Rule 60.1 RRS)
[SP] Denotes a rule which a penalty may be applied by the Race Committee without a hearing (Modifies Rule 63 RRS).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by:
 - 1.1.1 The *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing ("**RRS**").
 - 1.1.2 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail (*This changes Rule 63.7 RRS*).

2 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 2.1 Use of personal flotation device (Coast Guard approved PFD) is mandatory at any moment while afloat except for brief periods while adding or removing clothes. (*This changes Preamble of Part 4 RRS and rule 40 RRS*) *[NP]*
- 2.2 Personal Flotation Device must be suitable for the competitor's weight. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable lifejackets do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.
- 2.3 Prior to the warning signal of the first race, all competitors must check in with the Race Committee Signal Vessel by crossing the stern, hail their sail number clearly and be acknowledged by the RC Personnel.
- 2.4 Boats retired (RET), did not start (DNF) or those boats that leave the Race Area before finishing (DNF) shall inform the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity. *[NP]*
- 2.5 When flag "F" is displayed ashore, all competitors shall sign the **Sign Off Form** at the Race Office within the protest time limit to confirm that all competitors are ashore. Flag "F" will be displayed, at least, thirty (30) minutes before the protest time limit. *[NP] [SP]*
- 2.6 Under all circumstances, coaches and other support vessels are expected to assist any boat in danger. When the race committee displays ICS flag **Pennant 8** with repetitive sounds, all official and support boats shall monitor VHF Race Committee channel shown in IR 8.2 for instructions.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board (ONB) located at the first floor of James C. Watson building (Sailing Center).

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the ONB no later than sixty (60) minutes before the First Warning Signal scheduled on the day it will take effect.

5 SPECIAL SIGNALS

- 5.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the Main Flag Pole. When a signal is displayed over a Class or Area flag, it applies to that class only. (*This change Race Signals Preamble RRS*)
- 5.2 When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "**not less than 30 minutes**" in the race signal AP. (*This changes Race Signals Preamble RRS*).
- 5.3 When **AP or N over H or A** is displayed in a Race Committee Signal Vessel together with the **Pennant 8** means: "**Competitors must go to the harbour immediately**". The infringement of this rule will carry a disqualification, without a hearing, by Race Committee to the infringing boats as established by rule 64.1 RRS. (*This changes rules A5 RRS and 63.1 RRS*). *[SP]*

6 SCHEDULE




- 6.1 The event schedule is as follows:

CLASS	Saturday, December 1st	Act
Optimist Laser C420	0800 – 0930 am 0930 am 1055 am	Registration Competitor's meeting First warning Signal More races to follow
	0400pm	Trophies presentation (tentative)

6.2 No warning signal will be made after 1430 except as a consequence of a General Recall.

7 CLASS FLAG

7.1 The Class Flags will be:

CLASS	FLAG
Optimist	
Laser	
C420	

8 RACING AREA. OFFICIAL VESSEL IDENTIFICATION

8.1 Addendum 1 shows the Racing Area location.

8.2 **Race Committee Vessels** will display a **Blue RC flag**. The **Jury Vessels** will display a **black “J” on a white background**. **Measurers vessel** will display a **black “M” on a white background**

9 COURSES

9.1 Addendum 2 shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 Classes and course:

OPTIMIST	Course “S”
LASER	Course “I”
C420	Course “O”

10 MARKS

10.1 Course marks will be inflatable **ORANGE** tetrahedrons

10.2 **Starting marks** RC Signal Vessel and Pin end Vessel or Starting mark.

10.3 **Finishing marks** RC Finish Vessel and an inflatable ball **RED**

11 THE START

11.1 The **Starting Line** will be between a staff on the RC Signal Vessel carrying an **ORANGE** flag at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end inflatable starting mark.

11.2 A boat starting later than **four (4) minutes** after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (“DNS”). (*This changes RRS A4.1 and A5*). **[NP] [SP]**

11.3 Boats called OCS or ZFP may be displayed in the RC Finish Vessel of that race. The failure to post or an incomplete or wrong posting will not be grounds for redress. (*This changes rule 62.1 a*) RRS)

11.4 The Race Committee may display on the Race Committee signal boat, in case of a General Recall, the sail number of those boats identified as BFD or ZFP. The failure to post or an incomplete or wrong posting will not be grounds for redress (*This changes rule 62.1 a*) RRS).

11.5 If any part of a boat’s hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the last two (2) minutes prior to the start, the RC may display ICS **Flag V**. This flag will be displayed until all boats have sailed to the pre-start side but not after their starting signal.

12 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The **Finish Line** will be between the staff at RC Finish Vessel carrying a **BLUE flag** at the port end and the Finish Mark at the starboard end.

14 PENALTIES

14.1 Except for an incident occurred within the zone, the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty. (*This changes RRS 44.1*)

15 TIME LIMIT [SP]

- 15.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish a race is sixty (60) minutes. Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish ("DNF") (*This changes RRS 35, A4.1 and A5*).

16 PROTEST AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Any boat intending to protest, or file a request for redress alleging that an action or omission in the race area on the part of the Race Committee has materially prejudiced her finishing position, will notify the RC Finish Vessel immediately after finishing that race or retiring, identifying the protested boats and shall wait to be confirmed by the RC Finish Vessel. In case of retiring, she shall notify the Race Committee or Race Office at the first reasonable opportunity. (*This changes RRS 61.1 a*) RRS).
- 16.2 Protests Forms are available at the Race Office. Protests and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.3 Time to protest:
- a) The Protest Time Limit shall be **forty (40) minutes** for each Class after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The resulting time will be posted at the ONB. (*Changes rule 61.3 RRS*)
 - b) A **request for reopening** shall be delivered:
 - i) Within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - ii) **No later than ten (10) minutes** after the party requesting the reopening was informed of the decision on the last day and after finishing the qualifying series. (*This changes rule 66 RRS*)
- 16.4 Within the protest time limit, the Race Committee shall publish on the ONB boats that have been penalized under rule 42 RRS according to the Appendix P.
- 16.5 Notices will be posted on the ONB **not later than fifteen (15) minutes** after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, beginning at the posted time.
- 16.6 Within the protest time limit, the Race Committee shall post on the ONB the boats that are disqualified or penalized under A5. A boat so notified may only request for redress within 30 minutes after that posting. (*This changes rule 62.2 RRS*)
- 16.7 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or the Jury will be posted on the ONB to inform boats under rule 61.1 b).

17 FORMAT AND SCORING

- 17.1 **FORMAT OF RACING**
The regatta will be sailed in fleet.
- 17.2 **SCORING**
- 17.2.1 One (1) race shall constitute the Regatta.
- 17.2.2 When four (4) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 CHANGE OF CREW [NP]

- 18.1 Only a crew can be changed (not the skipper).
- 18.2 Requests for a change of crew shall be submitted **in writing** to the Race Committee, that may give permission **only** in case of illness (the Race Committee may request a medical certificate), accident or any other circumstances.
- 18.3 Requests for a change shall be lodged in the Race Office before 0900h of the day of the race. In emergency case, the **Race Committee** may grant the change after this time.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP] [NP]

- 19.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Class Rules and SIs.
- 19.2 On the water, a boat shall act in accordance with any instruction by the measurer or Jury to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

20 DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

- 20.1 In addition to rule 55 RRS, trash may be placed aboard support and Committee Vessels. The penalty for breaching rule 55 RRS will be decided by the Jury and could be different than a disqualification.

21 SUPPORT VESSELS [DP] [NP]

- 21.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall be outside of the racing area described in SI 21.2 and 21.3 from the Preparatory Signal until the last boat finishes the race or if the Race Committee displays a postponement, general recall or abandonment, unless they are helping a boat in danger. Breaking this rule will be penalized by the Jury.
- 21.2 The **racing area** is defined as a surface which borders are over 50 meters of the minimum track of a boat racing.
- 21.3 The **starting area** is a rectangle with its borders 50 meters to windward, leeward and 100 meters to pin ends of the starting line.

22 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP] [NP]

- 22.1 A boat shall neither make or receive radio transmissions while racing or receive radio communications not available to all boats, except in an emergency or when using equipment provided by the race committee. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 23.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 23.2 Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in the event, each competitor and the responsible adult agree and acknowledges that:
- a) They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event;
 - b) They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
 - c) They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omission;
 - d) Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate;
 - e) The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities;
 - f) The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

24 RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- 24.1 By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

ADDENDUM 1 RACE AREAS

