

2019 J22 MIDWINTER CHAMPIONSHIP

Organizing Authority:

Fort Walton YC & the US J22 Class Association

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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.

The notation [NP] in a rule in the SI means that instruction is not grounds for redress by a boat. This changes RRS60.1

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the rules of J22 International Class Association.

1.2. US Sailing prescription RRS 60, 63.2, 63.4 will not apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the FWYC back patio.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the yardarm on the FWYC back lawn.

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1.

Date		Time
3-14-2019	Registration and packets Practice Race	0900-1700 1500
3-15-2019	First Warning Subsequent races to follow Daily awards	1200 1700-1900
3-16-2019	First Warning Subsequent races to follow Daily awards	1200 1700-1900
3-17-2019	First Warning Subsequent races to follow No initial warning will be made after: Awards	1200 1400 ASAP after the final race

5.2.The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is listed above in SI 5.1.

5.3.To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with five sounds at least one minute before a warning signal is made.

5.4.On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

5.5.Nine (9) races are scheduled for this regatta.

6.CLASS FLAGS

Class flag shall be a J22 class flag.

7.RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas and will be East of the FWYC grounds, at the Western end of Choctawhatchee Bay.

8.THE COURSES

8.1.The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2.No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate magnetic compass bearing, distance in nautical miles and course configuration for each race.

8.3.The RC intends to set a gate at the leeward end of the course. However, if a single leeward mark is set it shall be left to port.

9.MARKS

Mark one will be a green inflatable.

Mark 1a will be orange or red hip hop ball.

Mark 2s and 2p will be orange inflatable marks.

The starting mark will be either an anchored vessel flying an orange flag or yellow inflatable mark.

The finish mark will be an orange inflatable mark.

New marks as described in SI 11 will be yellow inflatable marks.

10.START

10.1.Races will be started by using rule 26 with a wake-up signal of five sounds 1 minute before the warning signal. The Warning Signal will be made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2.The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the mark or the staff on the pin vessel displaying an orange flag as described in SI 9.1 and attachment A.

10.3.If any part of the boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC will attempt to broadcast sail number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast, the order of sail numbers

called, or to time it accurately will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.

11.CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1. To change the next leg of the course, as allowed by RRS 33, the race committee will lay a new mark, move the finishing line or move the gate and remove the old mark as soon as practicable. Mark 1a (offset) is optional when the weather mark is changed. When a subsequent change of the new mark is required it will be replaced by an original mark.

12.THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the finishing mark described in SI 9.1.

12.2 Code flag A flying at the finish indicates “no more racing today”

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to:” A boat may take a One-Turn penalty when she may have broken a rule in Part2 or RRS 31 while *racing*. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than the *starting mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns penalty.

13.2 Penalties within three (3) boat lengths of Mark 1 or on the leg from Mark 1 to Mark 1a may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2

14.TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 In accordance with RRS 35 the time limit for each race will be 90 minutes.

14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 30 minutes the race will be abandoned.

14.3 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired without a hearing. TLE will be scored as finishers plus 1 (one). This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A5 and A11.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms will be available at the Notice Board on the FWYC patio, or from the Race Committee. Protests will be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 The protest time limit is one (1) hour after the signal vessel docks after the last race of the day or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later thirty (30) 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” Chart Room” inside the main clubhouse, beginning at the time posted on the Official Notice Board. All parties to Protest Meetings shall meet the judges table ten (10) minutes prior to their hearing. Protest Meetings that do not have all parties present at its start will be moved to the end of the line.

15.4 Protests by the RC, Technical Committee (TC), or the Protest Committee (PC) shall be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1b

15.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2

16. SCORING

16.1 The Low Point System OF RRS Appendix A2 will be used. A boats series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score if five (5) or more races have been completed.

16.2 Two (2) races must be sailed and completed to award a Midwinter Championship.

16.3 Nine (9) races are scheduled for the Championship.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Check-In: All boats shall check in with the RC signal vessel displaying the "L" flag at least five minutes prior to the first warning signal of each day. Each boat shall sail past the RC signal vessel and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the RC [DP] [NP]. Failure to do so will be a twenty (20) percent penalty in the first race of each day.

17.2 Retirement: A boat that retries from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible [DP] [NP].

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

18.1 All radio communication between the RC and the competitors will be on VHF channel 72. VHF radios are allowed by the class for this event and is encouraged. Class rules regarding other electric/electronic devices will remain in place.

18.2 Various race information, including notification of OCS boats after the start, may be provided by the RC as a courtesy to the competitors. This does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the RC's signals which shall govern the conduct of racing. [NP]

18.3 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make or receive radio communications that are not available to all boats [DP] [NP]

20 PRIZES

20.1 Awards shall be presented to the top Five (5) overall teams.

20.2 Daily Awards may be presented.

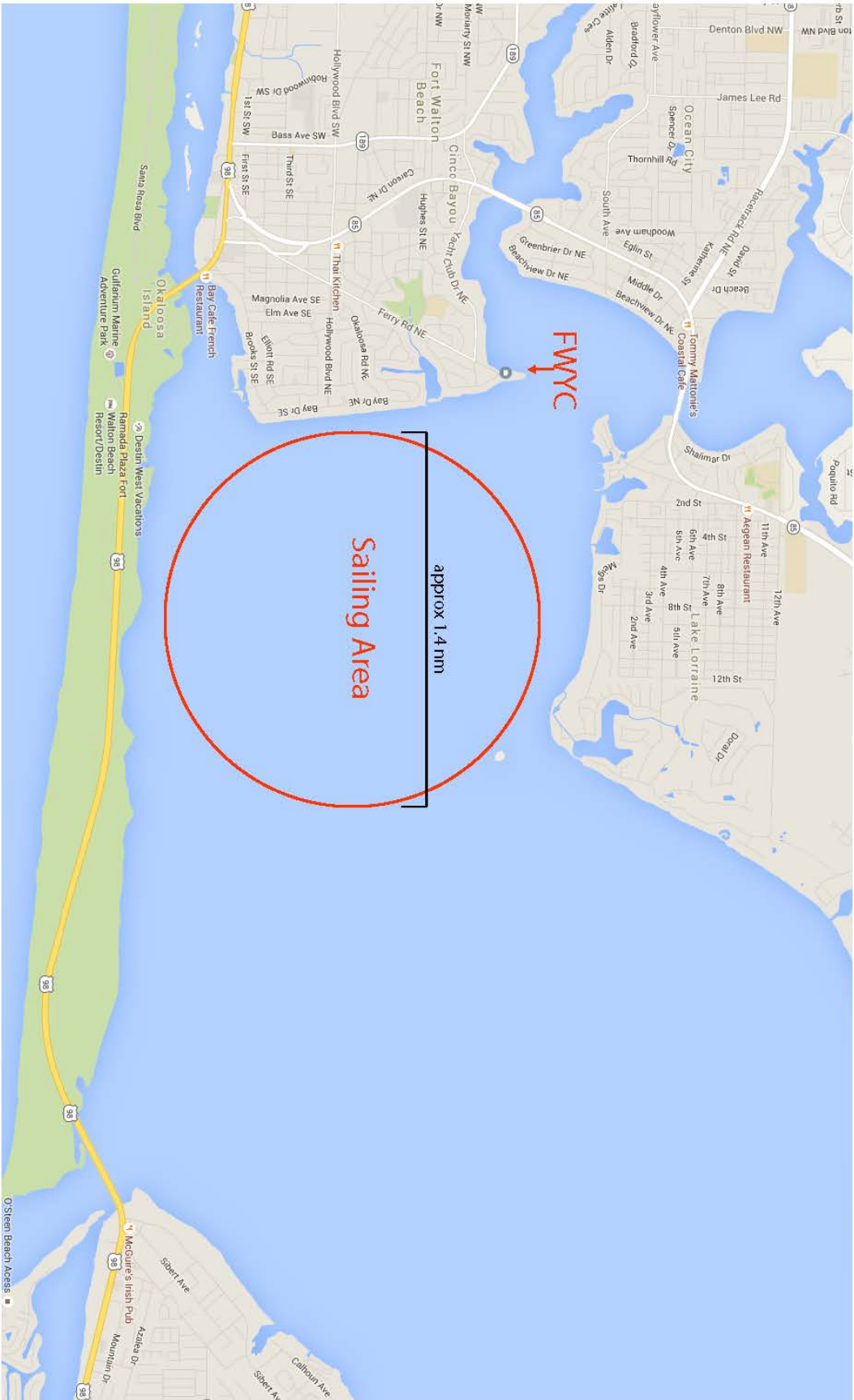
21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

22 INSURANCE

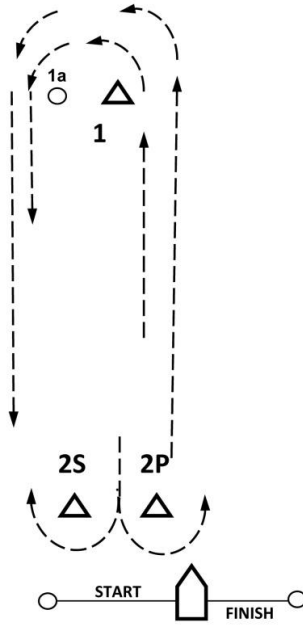
Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance \$300,000.00. It is the owner or owner representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in and adequate prior to competing in the event.

ATTACHMENT A



FWYC Sailing Venue Map

ATTACHMENT B

W4 and W6	W3 and W5
<p>Course 4: START – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – 1 – 1a – FINISH (2 laps / 4 legs, downwind finish)</p> <p>Course 6: START – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – 1 – 1a – FINIS (3 laps / 6 legs, downwind finish)</p> <p>Mark 2 may be either a gate or a single mark left to port</p> 	<p>Course 3: START – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – FINISH (1 ½ laps / 3 legs, upwind finish)</p> <p>Course 5: START – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – 1 – 1a – 2P/2S – FINIS (2 ½ laps / 5 legs, upwind finish)</p> <p>Mark 2 may be either a gate or a single mark left to port</p> 