

**USA JUNIOR OLYMPIC SAILING FESTIVAL** 

AT HILTON HEAD

June 7-9, 2019

South Carolina Yacht Club Hilton Head Island, South Carolina National JO Sponsors: Sperry, New England Ropes



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

# 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by *rules* as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty except for breaches of rules in the zone at a mark. For breaches of rules in the zone at a mark, the Two-Turns Penalty shall apply.

# 2 ENTRIES

Boats that have completed registration in accordance with the Notice of Race are eligible to race.

# 3 SAFETY

- 3.1 A Coast Guard-approved lifejacket that has a whistle attached and is the appropriate size for the sailor must be worn, properly fastened, while afloat, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. This changes rule 40.
- 3.2 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, immediately after arrival ashore.

# 4 CHECK-IN

Competitors shall check in with the Race Committee Signal Boat before the initial warning signal of the first race each day. To check in, a boat should sail by the stern of the Signal Boat on starboard tack and hail its sail number.

# 5 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Pool area near the Pro Shop at South Carolina Yacht Club.

# 6 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 8:30 AM on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 6:30 PM on the day before it will take effect.

#### 7 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole near the lock at the entrance to Windmill Harbour.
- 7.2 Flag AP displayed ashore with two horn signals (one horn signal when lowered) means, "The race is postponed. The initial Warning Signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after AP is lowered." This changes the time "one minute" in Race Signal AP.

#### 8 SPECIAL SIGNALS

Code Flag A (White and Blue vertical stripes) displayed with no sound while boats are finishing means "no more racing today."

#### 9 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Races and a required competitor meeting are scheduled as follows:

Friday June 7	5:30-6:30 PM	Competitor check in and competitors meeting in the pool area near the Club Pro Shop
Saturday June 8	10:30 AM	Starting sequence for the first race of the series
Sunday June 9	10:30 AM	Starting sequence for the first race of the day
	3:00 PM	No starting sequence after this time.
	After racing	Prize awards on the back deck of the Clubhouse

#### 10 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

Class:Optimist White, Blue and RedFlag:Optimist symbol on white flagClass:Optimist GreenFlag:GreenClass:Laser RadialFlag:Numeral 1 (white with red circle)Class:Club 420Flag:Numeral 2 (blue with white circle)Class:Open BicFlag:Numeral 3 (red, white, blue)Class:Laser Full RigFlag:3<sup>rd</sup> Substitute (white, black stripe)

#### 11 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Calibogue Sound near Windmill Harbour. Optimist Classes will race on Course Alpha to the north of the fairway exiting Windmill Harbour (turn right upon exiting). All other Classes will race on Course Bravo to the south of the fairway exiting Windmill Harbour (turn left upon exiting).

### 12 THE COURSE

- 12.1 The courses to be sailed may be Windward/Leeward (designated by numeral 2 or 4) or Windward/Leeward/Windward (designated by numeral 3 or 5). The numeral designating the course, which indicates the number of legs to be sailed, will be displayed on a white board on the Race Committee Signal Boat and announced by loud hailer.
- 12.2 See the Course Diagrams attached as the last page of these Sailing Instructions.

### 13 MARKS

Original marks of the course will be 3-foot round orange inflatable buoys. New (change) marks, will be 3-foot round yellow inflatable buoys. The starting and finishing marks will be pink or red round buoys.

#### 14 THE START

- 14.1 Races will be started using the Audible-Signal Racing System in Appendix U of the Racing Rules of Sailing (three minutes—sound signals). This replaces rule 26. The Race Committee will announce the order in which classes will start.
- 14.2 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end of the line (looking upwind) and the course side of the starting mark at the port end of the line.
- 14.3 Boats not in a starting sequence shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 14.4 A boat shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

#### 15 RECALLS

After the starting signal the Race Committee will attempt to hail the sail number of boats that were on the course side at the start. The failure to make or receive such communication shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rules 41 and 62.1 (a).

#### 16 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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

#### 17 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the course side of a nearby finish mark unless the finish is for a shortened course in accordance with rule 32.2.

#### 18 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to finish a race will be 45 minutes. Boats still racing 15 minutes after the first boat in its class sails the course and finishes

and does not thereafter retire will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4.1, and A5.

### 19 PROTESTS

- 19.1 Protests shall be in writing and delivered to the regatta registration desk within 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat for that competitor's course docks.
- 19.2 Protests will be heard in approximately the order of receipt as soon as practicable.
- 19.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. This posting shall constitute the notification required by RRS 61.1(b) and RRS 63.2.
- 19.4 The following sentence is added to rule 66. "On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than 45 minutes after being informed of the decision." This changes rule 66.
- 19.5 Only the Race Committee may protest violations of Sailing Instructions 3, 4, and 21. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 19.6 The penalty, if any, for an infringement of a rule other than a rule of Part 2 will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification.

### 20 SCORING

The Race Committee will attempt to complete as many races as practicable in the prevailing conditions. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. The Low-Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply except that when fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores. If five or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores excluding its worst score. This changes rule A2.1.

### 21 SUPPORT PERSONS

- 21.1 Except as provided in 21.2, support persons, including team leaders, coaches, parents and other support personnel shall not be in the racing area from the time of the starting sequence for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the Race Committee signals a postponement or abandonment.
- 21.2 For the Optimist Green Fleet: Coaching is encouraged during the starting sequence, around marks, and to encourage staying generally "on course." Green Fleet support boats must identify themselves to the Race Committee and be careful not to interfere with any racing boats.

#### 22 PRIZES

Junior Olympic medals will be awarded to each member of the crew placing first, second and third in each Class.

