NOTICE OF RACE

2012 J22 NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

September 9 - 12, 2012

Organizing Authority
Tawas Bay Yacht Club
J/22 Fleet 44
And
International J/22 Class Association

www.j22na.com

1. RULES:

- **1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The following prescriptions of US Sailing will apply: See attachment A
- **1.3** Racing Rule A2, Series Scores will be changed as follows: "If 5 or fewer races are sailed no throw-out will be scored" The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.

2. ADVERTISING

- **2.1** Advertising shall conform to the current ISAF Regulation 20 and the Class Rules.
- **2.2** Boats may be required to display bow numbers and sponsors advertising of the event in accordance with ISAF regulation 2. These items will be chosen and supplied free of charge by the Organizing Authority

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **3.1** This event is open to all J/22 Class boats with a valid measurement certificate and meeting the eligibility requirements of IJ/22CR 2.8.
- **3.2** Entrants shall meet all J/22CA requirements including but not limited to IJ/22CA membership, National Authority membership, and boat and sail measurement. A boat shall be considered entered when the above requirements are met, a complete entry form is submitted and all entry fees paid.
- **3.3** Entries shall be submitted at www.j22na.com and must be received by the Tawas Bay Yacht Club (with the payment of the registration fee) no later than August 5, 2012 to avoid a late fee. Entries will be accepted up to September 8, 2012 with payment of the late fee.

4. FEES:

4.1 The regatta entry fee is \$350 for entries received through August 5, 2012. The entry fee includes storage, launching, racing and tickets for three (3) competitors to all social events. Additional social packages for additional crew members and non competitors are available for a fee of \$60 per person

4.2 Entries received after August 5, 2012 will be \$450

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday Sept. 8	
1000 - 1800	Registration, Inspection, and Weigh-ins
Sunday Sept. 9	
1000 - 1800	Registration, Inspection, and Weigh-ins
1400 - 1600	Practice Race
1800	Opening Ceremony
Monday Sept. 10	
0845	Competitors Meeting
1100	Warning Signal for First Race of the Day
1700	Daily Awards
Tuesday, Sept. 11	
1100	Warning Signal for First Race of the Day
1700	Daily Awards
Wednesday, Sept. 12	
1100	Warning Signal for First Race of the Day
1700	Daily Awards
1900	Awards Banquet

5.1 Nine races are scheduled. Three races a day are scheduled with a maximum of four if necessary. Four (4) races will constitute a regatta.

6 MEASUREMENT, EQUIPMENT CHECKS and CREW WEIGHING:

- **6.1** All boats will be required to have a valid measurement certificate registered with the IJ/22CA. Boats arriving without a measurement certificate will not be permitted without prior arrangements with Chris Princing: chris@awardandsports.com; cell 989-213-3973
- **6.2** Skippers and crews will be required to comply with IJ/22CA Rule 8.9 (total crew weight) and 8.10 (substitution). Competitors will be weighed during registration hours listed in paragraph 5.
- **6.3** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with IJ/22CA rules and the sailing instructions.
- **6.4** Sails shall be dropped off for measurement at the TBYC clubhouse during registration hours.

- **6.5** Only one suit of sails may be used for the entire regatta. The sails for each boat shall be measured and stamped by the regatta organizers.
- **6.6** In accordance with RRS Appendix G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the Class Rules.
- **6.7** All claims of damage to measured-in equipment requiring replacement shall be made in writing to the jury. Replacement of equipment will only be permitted after written approval of the jury. Replaced equipment will be required to pass a measurement check.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

8. VENUE

8.1 Racing will take place within Tawas Bay.

9. THE COURSES

- **9.1** The course to be sailed will be windward-leeward
- **9.2** Offset marks and leeward gates will be used.

10. SCORING:

- **10.1** If 5 or fewer races are completed no throw outs will be allowed. This changes Racing Rule A2
- **10.2** A maximum of 9 races are scheduled.

11. SUPPORT BOATS

11.1 Support boats shall be marked with a yellow streamer supplied by the OA at registration.

12. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

- **12.1** All boats are to be afloat by 1700 hrs EST on September 9, 2012.
- **12.2** Boats will be launched from the club's hoists and trailers will be stored off site by the OA with the boats bow number as identification.
- **12.3** Berthing will be assigned within the Tawas Bay Yacht Club harbor.

13. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

- **13.1** Except with, and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the jury the following restrictions apply: All boats shall be afloat by 1700 hrs EST on September 9, 2012 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta
- **13.2** Rudders shall remain affixed during the time afloat.

14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1 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.

15. PRIZES

- **15.1** Prizes will be awarded to the top 10 skippers and crew.
- **15.2** Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the hosts will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

17 INSURANCE

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with a valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION: For further information contact:

Regatta Co Chairs: Matt Princing: 989-239-5778, mdprincing@gmail.com;
Derrick Carroll: 810-341-4023, chip_shot_d@yahoo.com

Regatta web page: www.j22na.com

OTHER INFORMATION

Social Calendar

Saturday, September 8 at 1800: Barbeque

Sunday, September 9 at 1900: Beverages and hors-d'oeuvres

Monday, September 10 at 1900: Dinner

Wednesday, September 12 at 1900: Awards Banquet

Breakfast September 10, 11, and 12 at 0800 Beverages and munchies each day after racing

Housing Chairperson: Frank Fitus: 248-660-2866, sailing4two@aol.com

Preferred Hotel: Tawas Bay Beach Resort

Email: 2012j22na@gmail.com

Facebook: 2012 J22 North American Championship

Attachment A

US Sailing Prescriptions

A1 The following prescriptions of US SAILING will apply:

1.1 After RRS 68 add:

US Sailing Prescribes that:

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find fact and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee of US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by the application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of "assumption of risk" for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats

1.2 After RRS 76.1 add:

"US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the notice of race and sailing instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age."

1.3 Add RRS 76.3:

"US SAILING prescribes that a boat whose entry is rejected or cancelled or a competitor who is excluded from a race or series shall be, upon written request, entitled to a hearing conducted by the protest committee under rules 63.2, 63.3, 63.4 and 63.6."

1.4 APPENDIX F – Procedures for Appeals and Requests

This appendix is a US SAILING prescription.

See rules 70 and 71. This appendix replaces Appendix F as adopted by the International Sailing Federation. The US SAILING Appeals Committee acts as the national authority within the meaning of rules 70.1 and 71.

F1 WHERE TO SEND AN APPEAL OR REQUEST

- **F1.1** All appeals and requests shall be sent to the Race Administration Director at US SAILING, at either P.O. Box 1260 or 15 Maritime Drive, Portsmouth, RI 02871, or by e-mail to RaceAdmin@ussailing.org.
- **F1.2** Except as provided in rule F1.4, the director will forward an appeal of a decision of a protest committee or a request by a protest committee for confirmation or correction of its decision to the association appeals committee for the place in which the event was held. However, such an appeal or request arising from an event conducted under the procedural rules of the Intercollegiate Sailing Association or the Interscholastic Sailing Association will be forwarded to the association appeals committee for the ICSA and ISSA.
- **F1.3** The director will forward an appeal of a decision of an association appeals Committee, a request by an association appeals committee for confirmation or correction of its decision, and a request for an interpretation of rules to the US SAILING Appeals Committee.
- **F1.4** The director will forward an appeal of a decision of a protest committee acting under rule 69.1, an appeal of a decision of a protest committee of a US SAILING national championship, and a request by such a committee for confirmation or correction of its decision to the US SAILING Appeals Committee.

F2 TO APPEAL OR MAKE A REQUEST

- **F2.1** To appeal the decision of a protest committee or association appeals committee a party to the hearing shall, no later than 15 days after receiving the written decision being appealed or a protest committee's decision not to reopen a hearing, send an appeal and a copy of the decision to the US SAILING Race Administration Director. The appeal shall state why the appellant believes the committee's decision or its procedures were incorrect.
- **F2.2** The appellant shall also send, with the appeal or as soon as possible thereafter, all of the following documents that are available:
 - (a) the written protest(s) or request(s) for redress;
 - (b) if the appeal is from a decision of an association appeals committee, the written decision of the protest committee;
 - (c) a diagram, prepared or endorsed by the protest committee, that shows
 - (1) the positions of all boats involved at relevant times, and their tracks;
 - (2) the course to the next mark and its required side;
 - (3) the speed and direction of the wind;
 - (4) any relevant mark, obstruction or zone; and
 - (5) if relevant, the depth of the water and the speed and direction of any current;
 - (d) the notice of race, sailing instructions, any other documents governing the event, and any changes to them;
 - (e) the names, mailing addresses and e-mail addresses of the parties to the hearing, the chairman of the protest committee and, if relevant, the chairman of the association appeals committee; and
 - (f) any other relevant documents.
- F2.3 To request confirmation or correction of its decision, a protest committee or

association appeals committee shall send to the US SAILING Race Administration Director a copy of its decision and all relevant documents and comments.

F2.4 To request an interpretation of the rules, a club or other organization affiliated to US SAILING shall send to the US SAILING Race Administration Director its request, which shall include assumed facts. A US SAILING committee is considered to be an organization affiliated to US SAILING.

F3 FEES

- **F3.1** If a fee is required for an appeal or request, it must be received before the appeal or request will be considered.
- **F3.2** US SAILING charges no fee for forwarding an appeal or request to an association appeals committee. However, the association appeals committee may charge a fee. In that case, the association appeals committee will send a notice to the appellant (or, for a request, to the protest committee) stating the fee, to whom the fee is payable, and the address to which the fee must be sent.
- **F3.3** US SAILING charges a fee of \$25 for an appeal made to the US SAILING Appeals Committee (see rules F1.3 and F1.4) by a member of US SAILING or another national authority. The fee is \$75 for all others. A fee of \$25 is charged for a request for an interpretation of the rules, but there is no fee for a request from a US SAILING committee. There is no fee for a request from an association appeals committee for confirmation or correction of its decision.

F4 NOTIFICATION OF THE COMMITTEE WHOSE DECISION IS BEING APPEALED

Upon receipt of an appeal, the appeals committee shall send a copy of the appeal to the committee whose decision is being appealed, asking it for any documents required by rule F2.2 not supplied by the appellant.

F5 COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

F5.1 Protest Committee

A protest committee whose decision is being appealed shall supply the documents requested under rule F4 and any facts or other information requested under rule F6. If directed to do so by the appeals committee, it shall conduct a hearing, or reopen the hearing, of the protest or request for redress, or conduct a hearing to consider redress.

F5.2 Association Appeals Committee

- (a) The association appeals committee shall send to all parties to the hearing, and to the committee whose decision is being appealed or reviewed, copies of all relevant documents and comments it has received, except those supplied by that party or committee.
- (b) The association appeals committee shall send its decision in writing to all parties to the hearing and the protest committee.

(c) An association appeals committee shall consider an appeal it has refused to decide if directed to do so by the US SAILING Appeals Committee.

F5.3 US SAILING Appeals Committee

The US SAILING Appeals Committee shall send to all parties to the hearing, to the protest committee and to the association appeals committee whose decision is being appealed or reviewed, copies of all relevant documents and comments it has received, except those supplied by that party or committee.

F6 INADEQUATE FACTS; REOPENING

An appeals committee shall accept the protest committee's finding of facts except when it decides they are inadequate. In that case it shall require the protest committee to provide additional facts or other information, or to reopen the hearing and report any new finding of facts, and the protest committee shall promptly do so.

F7 COMMENTS

The parties to the hearing, the protest committee and, if relevant, the association appeals committee may make comments on the appeal or request or on any of the documents listed in rule F2.2. Comments shall be sent in writing to the appeals committee no later than 15 days after the party or committee receives the document. The appeals committee need not consider comments sent after that time.

F8 OTHER PROVISIONS

These provisions are in addition to those of rule 71.

- (a) An association appeals committee may act as permitted by rule 71.2 and shall act as required by rule 71.3, subject to further appeal as provided in rule F1.3.
- (b) An association appeals committee may request confirmation or correction of its decision (see rules F1.3 and F2.3).
- (c) An appeals committee may direct a protest committee to conduct a hearing to consider redress for an appellant or other party to the hearing.
- (d) No member of the association appeals committee shall take part in the discussion or decision on an appeal or a request for confirmation or correction to the US SAILING Appeals Committee.
- (e) The US SAILING Appeals Committee may direct an association appeals committee to consider an appeal it has refused to decide.