



# CHUBB U.S. JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

## US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships

Area E Elimination

The U.S. Junior Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup  
The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy  
The U.S. Junior Singlehanded Championship for the Smythe Trophy

Organized by US Sailing

Hosted by Cowan Lake Sailing Association

**July 08-10, 2012**

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing, and the Prescriptions of US Sailing.
- 1.2. The following documents shall apply:
  - 1.2.1. US Sailing Regulation 10.
  - 1.2.2. The Conditions for the United States Junior Sailing Championships.
  - 1.2.3. The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy.  
[http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching\\_and\\_Support\\_Vessels.htm](http://championships.ussailing.org/Youth/Coaching_and_Support_Vessels.htm)
- 1.3. These Championships are not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Thistle, C420 and Laser classes will apply. However, US Sailing encourages sailors to join the Thistle, C420 and Laser class Associations to support their efforts.
- 1.4. Racing rules will be changed as follows:

Racing Rule of Sailing [Rule] 29.1 and Rule 30.1 are changed to permit the hailing of recall numbers. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress.

Rule 40 is changed so that competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved Type III or V Personal Floatation Device (PFD), inherently buoyant (i.e. not inflatable) while on the water, except for brief periods while changing clothing.

Rule 60.1(a) is changed to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.

Rule 60.3 is changed to permit the Protest Committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes a competitor may have committed a breach of good manners, or sportsmanship, or may have brought the sport or the event into disrepute. A Protest Committee may call representatives from the Organizing Authority and/or Regatta Committee as witnesses.

Rule 61.1(a) is changed so that "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested."

Rule 64.1 is changed to allow penalties imposed by the Protest Committee, for hearings held under Rule 60.3, as changed, which may range from a reprimand to a dismissal from the regatta. Rule 77 is changed such that a boat is not required to display national letters; however, competitors may be required to apply recall numbers to their boat or sail.

## **2. Entries**

- 2.1 Registration may only be made by completing the online forms and submitting them by the posted deadline.
- 2.2 Eligibility requirements for competitors are as stated in the NOR published.

## **3. Notices to Competitors**

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located on the porch of the Cowan Lake Sailing Association clubhouse.

## **4. Changes to Sailing Instructions**

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. Code flag L will be displayed ashore.

## **5. Signals Made Ashore**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast on the Race Committee boat docked in the harbor.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

## **6. Special Signals**

- 6.1 The display of Flag "H" (white and red vertical bars) at the finish of any race means, "Racing has ended for the day."
- 6.2 When flag AP is lowered ending a postponement it will be accompanied with 4 horns instead of 1 as described in the RRS.

## **7. Boats – All competitors are responsible for providing their own boats.**

## **8. Schedule of Races**

- 8.1 Sunday, July 8  
18:00 (or shortly thereafter) : Practice Race
- 8.2 Monday, July 9  
09:30: Skipper's meeting at sailing clubhouse  
10:30: Warning signal for first race  
Subsequent races to follow immediately. (Lunch will be provided on the water)
- 8.3 Tuesday, July 10  
09:55: Warning signal for first race  
Subsequent races to follow immediately  
  
14:00: Awards

**9. Class Flags**

Sears Cup Fleet – Thistle Class Flag.  
Bemis Cup Fleet – Blue C420 logo on a white background.  
Smythe – Red Laser logo on a white background.

**10. Racing Area**

The racing area will be Cowan Lake, between an area roughly 200 yards East of the launching ramps and Austin Island.

**11. The Course**

11.1 The diagrams at the end of these instructions show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

11.2 The courses will be either a triangle, Olympic, or windward-leeward. The course will be designated by code flags as follows:

<b>Course</b>	<b>Code Flag</b>
Triangle	None
Olympic	“O”
Windward-Leeward	“W”

11.3 The default course length will be 2 laps for a triangle, one lap of the triangle for an Olympic and 2 laps for windward-leeward courses. All courses sail a final windward leg to the finish unless shortened.

**12. Marks**

12.1 Marks 1, 2, and 3 will be orange tetrahedrons.

12.2 New marks as provided in sailing instruction 15, Change of the Position of the Next Mark, may be marked with a black band.

12.3 The starting and finishing marks, when they are not a mark of the course, will be yellow tetrahedrons.

**13. The Start**

13.1 Races will be started using Rule 26 with 5 minute sequences.

13.2 The order for the first start of each day will be: Thistle, C420s, Lasers. The order of subsequent starts may be altered as classes complete prior races.

13.3 Four horns will be sounded as an alert one minute before a warning signal not part of a previous sequence.

13.4 Rolling starts will be used: The start signal for a class will be the warning signal for the succeeding class unless there is reason to delay a class start.

13.5 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the RC signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

13.6 Boats shall not start later than four (4) minutes after their starting signal.

**14 Recalls**

The Race Committee will hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, the hail of some but not all OCS boats, the untimely hail of some or all OCS boats or failure to hail any or all boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. In the case of a general recall, four sounds will be made on removal of the First Substitute. This changes RRS 29.2

**15. Change of the Position of the Next Mark**

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not be in position. The change of course will be signaled by Code Flag “C” with either a “Red” or “Green” flag indicating the mark has been moved to port or starboard of the previous mark. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the original course configuration. When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

**16. The Finish**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the mark or between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a new finishing mark. The finishing boat may be different than the starting boat.

**17. Penalty System**

17.1 Rule 44 will apply except that scoring penalties (Rule 44.3) will not be used.

17.2 Appendix P will apply, modified as follows:

- a. P2.2 is changed to “second time and subsequent times”
- b. P2.3 is deleted
- c. P3 is changed: “but the protest is counted to determine the number of times she has been protested during the series.” is deleted.

**18. Time Limit**

18.1 The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish. If no boat finishes within the time limit the race committee shall abandon the race. Subsequent boats must finish within 15 minutes of the first boat to finish, or shall be scored DNF This changes Rule 35.

18.2 If a boat in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score that boat in the place she would have finished.

**19. Protests and Requests for Redress**

19.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

- 19.2 Protests shall be written on forms available on the notice board in the day room of the clubhouse and delivered to a member of the Jury, Race Committee or posted on the official notice board within 60 minutes after the race committee boat docks.
- 19.3 The Protest time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within 15 minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in RRS 61.1(b) and 63.2.
- 19.4 The right of appeal will be denied as permitted in RRS 70.4a.

**20. Scoring**

- 20.1 The Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the racing rules, will apply except that each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all her races, but, a competitor's worst score shall be excluded after five (or more) races have been completed (This changes Rule A2) further modified as follows. Ties shall be broken in accordance with Appendix A, Par 8.2.
- 20.2 Three (3) completed races shall constitute a series for each fleet. This changes Rule A2.

**21. Disposal of Trash**

Boats shall not discharge trash into the water. The penalty for breaking this rule will be at the discretion of the jury and may include adding points to a boat's score in the race or the series.

**22. Retirement from racing**

- 22.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, the Regatta Office immediately after arrival ashore.

**23 Other**

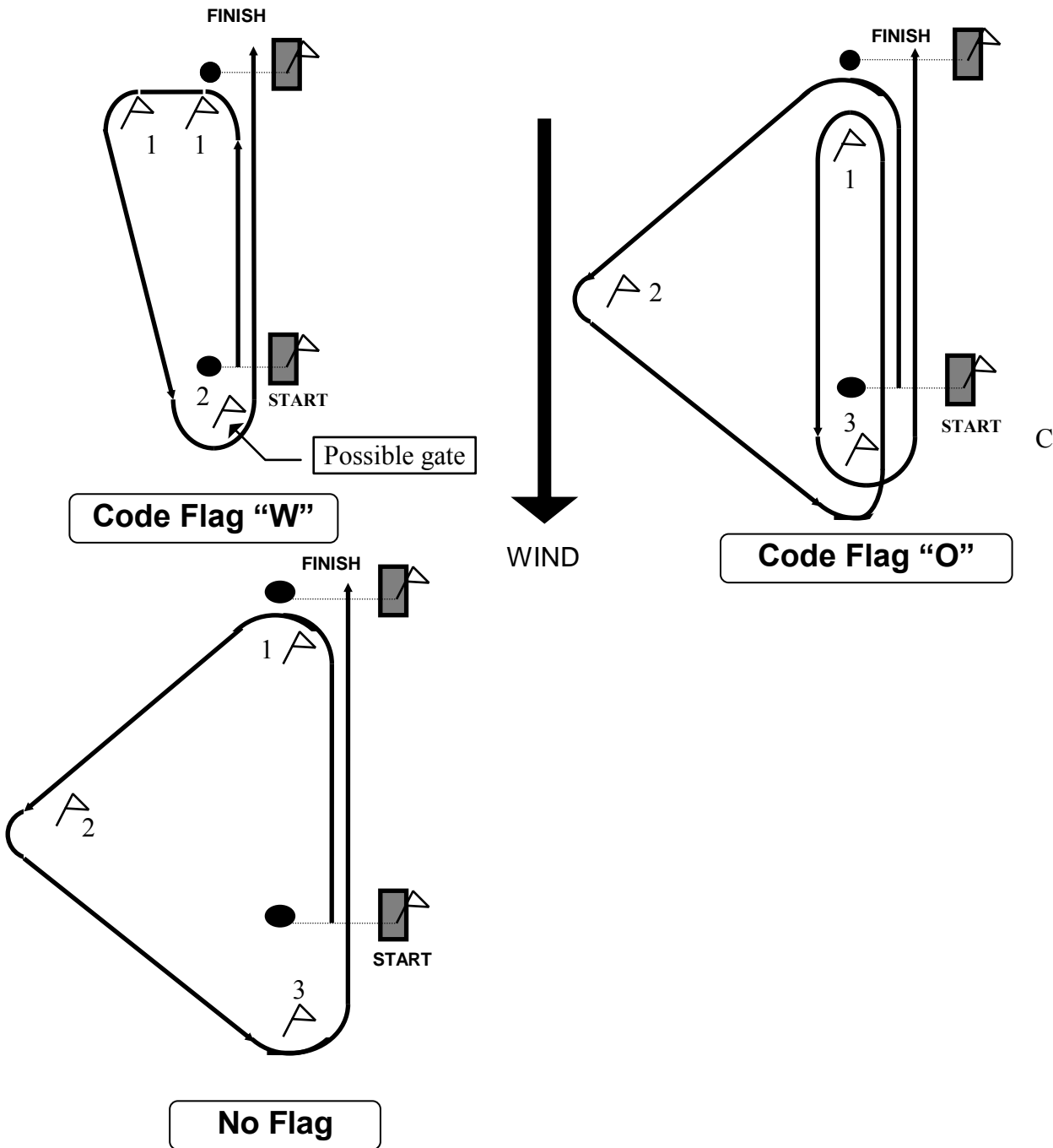
- 23.1 Instructors, coaches, or other support personnel shall not go afloat on race days without the approval of the organizing authority
- 23.2 Competitors shall not receive advice, instruction, or coaching during the race day, which shall begin when the race boats leave the dock, and shall end when any protest hearings are completed for that race day and participants have been excused by the Jury.
- 23.3 The Jury may disqualify a competitor who receives instruction, advice or coaching during the race day.

**24. Prizes**

US SAILING medals will be awarded to the skippers and crews finishing in the top three positions.

# THE COURSES

## Illustration D



1. Code Flag 2 or 3 with the course designation indicates the number of laps.
2. The 'O' course will always be once around the triangle.
3. Marks 1 & 3 may be used as the start and finish marks.
4. Yellow Tetrahedrons may be added for start and/or finish marks.