

CLEVELAND RACE WEEK – ONE DESIGN REGATTA June 13 – June 15, 2014 Edgewater Yacht Club 6700 Cleveland Memorial Shoreway, Cleveland, OH 44102 J70 Great Lakes Championship, Tartan 10 Lake Erie Championship, and US Sailing Area E Adult Championship Qualification Regatta in the J-22 Class

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (*RRS*).
- 1.2 US prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 US Sailing prescription Appendix T, Sections A and C will apply.
- 1.4 RRS 63.7 is replaced by: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and one in the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall apply."
- 1.5 For the J/70 class only:
  - 1.5.1 The US Sailing prescription to RRS 40 is deleted. See J/70 Class Rule (CR) C.4.1 (a).
  - 1.5.2 CR I.1 (Spare Gennaker) and I.3 (Support boats) will apply.
  - 1.5.3 Under RRS 87, the following J/70 Class Rules are changed:
    - CR C.3.2 (b) is changed by adding "or Charterer" to the end of the first sentence.
    - CR C.3.3 is changed by adding "This changes RRS 49."

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the Edgewater Yacht Club ("EWYC") patio.

#### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole north of the EWYC patio.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled for the following days:
  - Friday June 13<sup>th</sup> J/70 and T-10 classes only
  - Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> all classes
  - Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup> all classes
- 5.2 There are eleven (11) races scheduled. For the J/70 class only, a maximum of four (4) races will be sailed each day.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the initial warning signal for the first race each day is:
  - Friday June 13<sup>th</sup> 11:55

- Saturday June 14<sup>th</sup> 09:55
- Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup> 09:55
- 5.4 No race shall be started after 14:00 on Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### 6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags will be numeral pennants as shown in Exhibit "A" (attached).

#### 7. RACING AREA

7.1 Racing will take place on multiple courses in the open waters of Lake Erie immediately North of Edgewater Yacht Club. A diagram showing the approximate location of each racing circle is published on the Official Notice Board.

#### 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram attached as Exhibit "B" show the courses, including the approximate angle 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 Preparatory signal, the Race Committee shall display the course designation and an approximate compass bearing of the first leg. The compass bearing may be rounded to the nearest ten (10) degrees and rounded to two digits (e.g. "23" for 230 degrees). This changes RRS 27.1.

#### 9. MARKS

- 9.1 Windward and leeward marks will be orange tetrahedrons or cylinders.
- 9.2 Start and Finish marks will be yellow tetrahedrons or cylinders.
- 9.3 Change marks will be yellow tetrahedrons or cylinders.
- 9.4 Offset marks will be red spheres.

#### 10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and either the course side of the port-end starting mark <u>or</u> a staff displaying an orange flag on the port-end Race Committee Boat.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

#### 11. CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 Before a Start: To change the first leg of a course prior to the start, the Race Committee will display Code Flag C with multiple sounds prior to the warning signal of the next class to start. The change of the first leg of the course will apply to all classes that have not started. This changes RRS 33(b).

11.2 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 is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. This changes RRS 33(b).

#### 12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal boat and the course side of the nearby finish mark.

#### 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 The US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix T, Section C, T3 (Informing the Race Committee) and T4 (Changes in Hearing Procedures) shall apply.
- 13.2 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 13.3 When a boat incurs a penalty within the zone of the Windward mark or the offset leg, they may delay the taking of that penalty until after they have rounded the Offset mark, if any is set. This changes RRS 44.2.

#### 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within thirty (30) minutes of the start, or if no boat finishes within ninety (90) minutes of the start, the race shall be abandoned. Failure to meet the time limits will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat of the fleet sails the course and finishes or the time limit whichever is later will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

#### 15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the Protest and Scoring Review desk in the EWYC Main Room. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the designated representative of the Protest Committee within the protest time limit.
- 15.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee boat docks following the last race of the day.
- 15.4 The Race Committee will post the protest time limit and a list of Race Committee actions (if any), including boats given starting penalties, on the official notice board after docking. The deadline for filing a request for redress based on this posting is thirty (30) minutes after the posting time noted

on the RC Actions form, or at the posted protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.

- 15.5 Breaches of SI 10.2, 17, 18.1, or 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.6 Protests will be heard by the Protest Committee based upon the schedule established by the Protest Committee Chairperson at his/her sole discretion. Hearing schedules shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.7 Redress requests based on posted race scores or protest results shall be submitted to the protest committee no later than thirty (30) minutes after the results were posted. This changes RRS 62.
- 15.8 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.9 Protests that will have no bearing on the awarding of prizes may, at the protest committee's discretion, be postponed until after the awards.
- 15.10 The penalty for breaking Class Rules may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.11 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

#### 16. SCORING

- 16.1 For the J/70 class, three races are required to be completed to constitute a series. For all other classes, one race is required to constitute a series.
- 16.2 For the J/70 class, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 16.3 For all other classes, when fewer than seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. When seven (7) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This change RRS A2.

#### 17. SAFETY (CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT)

- 17.1 At least five (5) minutes prior to the first warning signal of the day, each boat intending to race shall check-in with the Race Committee Signal boat by hailing their sail number and class until acknowledged by the Race Committee.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race or leaves the race area between races shall notify the race committee by hail or VHF radio as soon as possible. A boat unable to notify the Race Committee shall inform the gas dock upon returning to shore.
- 17.3 Failure to correctly check in (17.1) or provide notice of retirement or leaving the race area (17.2) may result in a protest by the Race Committee.

#### 18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.

18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### **19. EVENT ADVERTISING**

19.1 J/70 and T-10 boats shall display event advertising "bow stickers" supplied by the organizing authority.

#### 20. OTHER RESTRICTIONS

- 20.1 All boats shall be afloat at least one (1) hour prior to the first initial warning signal of the regatta for their class.
- 20.2 Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- 20.3 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

#### 21. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 21.1 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.
- 21.2 All communications with the Race Committee shall be on the VHF channel designated for each race circle as follows:
  - Circle 1 (J/70) Channel 69
  - Circle 2 (T-10, J/22) Channel 71
  - Circle 3 (Jet-14, J/24, Ensign, Dragon) Channel 72
- 21.3 Communications between the Race Committee that may be overheard by a competitor shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
- 21.4 The Race Committee may use VHF or Loud Hailer to communicate information including the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS sail numbers, General Recalls and Postponements. Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to include a bow/sail number or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

#### 22. PRIZES

- 22.1 Prizes will be given as follows:
  - For the J/70 and T-10 fleets, first through fifth places overall, plus daily awards as determined by the organizing authority.
  - For all other fleets, first through third places overall, plus daily awards as determined by the organizing authority.
- 22.2 For the J/70 fleet, three (3) Open and three (3) Corinthian slots are available to boats not already qualified for the 2014 J/70 World Championship. Selection into these slots is at the discretion of the J/70 Class Office.

- 22.3 The winner of the J/22 class will be afforded the opportunity to represent Area E in the US Sailing Adult Championship sailing in J/22s at the Ft. Worth Boat Club, Ft. Worth, Texas.
- 22.4 Other prizes may be offered at the discretion of the organizing authority.

#### 23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 23.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors and coaches participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 23.2 The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor or coach agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

#### 24. INSURANCE

24.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or equivalent.

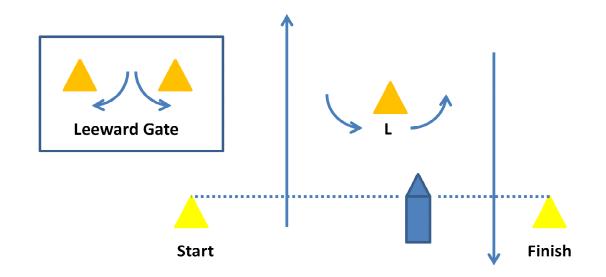
# **EXHIBIT "A" – Class Flags**

Fleet	Class Flag
J/70	
T-10	
J/22	
J/105	
Jet-14	
Ensign	
Dragon	
J/24	

## EXHIBIT "B" – Course Diagram(s)

Course "A"

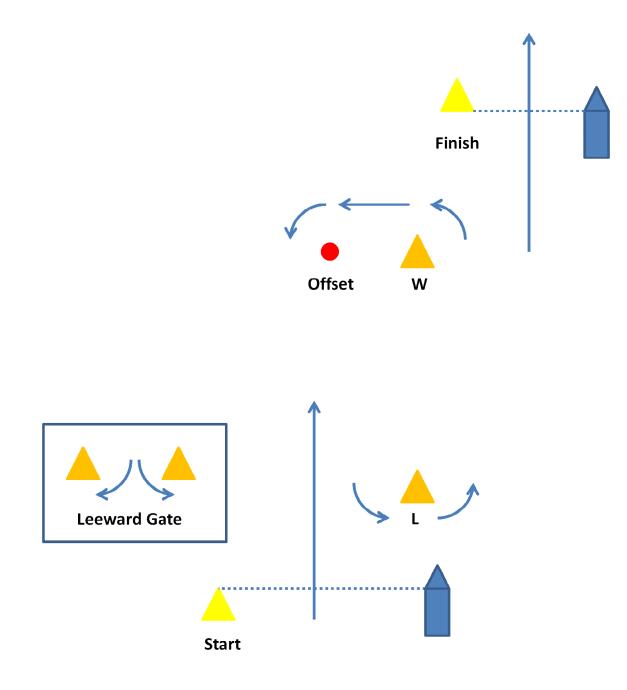




Mark Sequence:

Start – Wo – L – Wo – Finish

#### Course "B"



Mark Sequence:

Start – Wo – L – Wo – L – Finish