



2017 WIND Youth Regatta

July 1 & 2, 2017

Columbia Gorge Racing Association

Cascade Locks, Oregon

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. Class rules shall be observed and enforced by the competitors, except that competitors may use a "club sail" in place of a class approved sail provided it is of the same dimensions, of similar construction, and provides no added advantage.
- 1.3. Racing Rule 40 is changed as follows: Replace the entire Rule with, "Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. This rule applies at all times while afloat. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. Flag Y need not be displayed."
- 1.4. The following prescriptions of US Sailing will not apply: Rule 63.2 and Rule 63.4.
- 1.5. In case of conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will prevail. This changes rule 63.7.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located on the exterior of the Regatta Office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Changes to the SIs will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the close of the morning briefing on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than the end of the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the jetty.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal for the next race will be made not less than 30 minutes after AP is lowered.
- 4.3. When AP is displayed ashore over a class flag, or flags, those particular classes are postponed. All other classes will race as scheduled.

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 1	8:30-10:30 am	Check-in & Registration
	10:30 am	Competitors Meeting
	Noon	First Race Warning
	6:00 pm	Regatta Barbeque in the Park

Sunday, July 2	11:00 am	First Race Warning
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3:00 pm ASAP after racing	No warning signal after Awards presentation
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5.1. One race constitutes a regatta.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The class flags will be designated at the competitors meeting.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1. The diagrams attached as Appendix A show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2. The course will be as indicated in Appendix A for each fleet. When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and subsequently complete their rounding around either of the gate marks. If one gate mark is missing, the boats shall round the remaining gate mark to port.
- 7.3. Boats shall not cross the start or finish line except to start, finish, or correct a starting error. Boats that cross this line during a leg of the race may exonerate their penalty by completing a One-Turn penalty as defined in RRS 44.2

8. MARKS

- 8.1. Marks of the course will be large yellow, and orange inflatable marks.
- 8.2. Mark O, for the Opti fleet, shall be red.

9. THE START

- 9.1. Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 9.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the designated orange mark at the port end of the line.
- 9.3. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1 and A5.
- 9.4. The race committee may attempt to hail the recall numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. This changes rule 29.1. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, promptness of the hail, failure to hail any boats, or the order of boats hailed shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat and the course side of the designated orange mark at the starboard end of the line.

11. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

- 11.1. The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 11.2. The target time for all classes is 45 minutes.
- 11.3. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 12.1. A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking sailing instructions 5, or 15. The

penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 60.1(a).

- 12.2. 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, identifying the boat(s) being protested. This changes rule 61.1(a).
- 12.3. Protests forms will be available at and returned to the race office on shore.
- 12.4. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC boat docks.e penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 12.5. A protest hearing schedule and the location of the hearings will be posted on the official notice board no later than 15 minutes following the end of protest time.
- 12.6. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - b) within the protest time limit, or 30 minutes after the decision is announced, whichever is later. This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. The Low Point Scoring System shall be used.
- 13.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5-9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

14. SAFETY

- 14.1. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a RC vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, at the race office, immediately after arrival ashore.
- 14.2. Competitors shall not interfere with commercial traffic. Boats violating USCG Inland Navigation Rules, Part B, as stated in the Inland Navigation Rules Act of 1980 (Public Law 96-591, 94 Stat. 3415, 33 U.S.C. 2001-2038) or boats receiving a warning of 5 short sounds are subject to protest.

15. COACHING

- 15.1. Support and coach boats must check-in at the Race Office during the registration period. During racing, support boats shall monitor the race committee VHF channel, follow direction from race committee and remain more than 75 yards from the course area, except when asked to assist by the race committee.
- 15.2. Support and coach boats shall berth at the public dock in the Cascade Locks Marine Park Marina unless allowed otherwise by CGRA staff.
- 15.3. Coaching on the water is permitted between races. After the warning signal for a given race, coaching shall cease until a competitor has finished that race. To avoid any interference with boats racing, competitors shall be required to sail to an area off the race course and at least 75 feet away from the start/finish line when meeting with coach/support boats.
- 15.4. Coaching while racing is permitted in cases when novice racers are slowing the progress of the regatta. Coaches shall only coach the back "10%" of the fleet if this is the case. In order to do this, a coach shall have the permission of the PRO.

16. PRIZES

16.1. Awards will be awarded to both skipper and crew as follows: 1-4 boats pre-registered: 1 award; 5-8 boats pre-registered: 2 awards; 9 or more boats pre-registered: 3 awards.

17. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, AND PERSONAL CONDUCT

17.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Rule 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.

17.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for all their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

17.3. Competitors are expected to abide by the Marine Park Rules as stated in the Notice of Race.

17.4. No participant or competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this requirement shall be grounds for a protest. A competitor found to have breached this requirement shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home.

18. RIGHT TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

18.1. By participating in this event, all competitors automatically grant the organizers and sponsors the right to make, use and show, at any time and at their discretion, any photographs or videos of him or her produced during the period of the event without compensation.