



**US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships**  
**Area C**  
**The U.S. Junior Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup**  
Organizing Authority (OA): **Avalon Yacht Club** and US Sailing

**Sailing Instructions**  
**July 3, 2018**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), and the Prescriptions of US Sailing. Applicable Prescriptions will be posted on the Official Notice Board.\*
- 1.2. The following documents shall apply:
  - 1.2.1. [US Sailing Regulations 2.02, 4.02, 13, 14.04](#)
  - 1.2.2. [US Sailing Regulation 10](#). An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the Championships' Code of Conduct.
  - 1.2.3. The sections of the [Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship](#) applicable to the Area Championships.
  - 1.2.4. [US Sailing's SafeSport Handbook](#)
  - 1.2.5. [US Sailing's Code of Conduct](#)
  - 1.2.6. [The US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy](#). This will be a **Grade 3** Coaching event.
- 1.3. This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the Flying Scott class will apply.
- 1.4. RRS 40 is changed so that each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. (US Sailing Regulation 10) A violation of this instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however an inadvertent and momentary breach of this instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes rule 64.1. [DP]\*
- 1.5. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to add: prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.
- 1.6. RRS 61.1(a) is changed to add: "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the Race Committee (RC) finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the boat identification number of the boat(s) being protested."
- 1.7. When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.2 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signaling a breakdown on the boat and reference to umpire is removed.
- 1.8. The notation "[DP]" in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located on the Jr. Building Porch



**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 July 6.
- 3.2. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**
- 3.3. Signals ashore will be displayed from the AYC Flagpole.
- 3.4. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

**4. SAFETY AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT**

- 4.1. Before the warning signal of **each race** in which they intend to compete, boats shall check in by sailing on starboard side of the RC signal boat. Each boat shall hail her sail number and hail the skippers name, until acknowledged by the signal boat. Failure to check in may result in a penalty. [DP]
- 4.2. A boat retiring from a race shall notify a RC vessel before leaving the course, or, when that is impossible, immediately after arrival ashore. [DP]
- 4.3. The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing. [DP]
- 4.4. Each boat will be provided a hand held VHF radio to facilitate communication with the Race Committee. Broadcasts will be on Channel 72.
- 4.5. GPS devices are specifically prohibited. [DP]

**5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS and RACES**

July 6	0830-	Check in opens
July 6	0900-1100	Borrowed boat orientation and Flying Scott Clinic
July 6	1100 1130 1330	Skippers meeting Lunch Warning signal for first race of the day as soon as tide permits; subsequent races to follow Awards and refreshments after racing  No races will be started after 1700 hrs.

- 5.1. There are a maximum of 6 races scheduled.
- 5.2. A full round robin schedule will be attempted for the borrowed boats.
- 5.3. The warning signal for succeeding races will be made as soon as possible after finish of preceding race. Competitors must quickly change boats after each race.
- 5.4. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the signal boat shall make multiple sounds prior to the warning signal.



5.5. Weather conditions, the need to protect borrowed boats and equipment, or the need to expedite the completion of the event may require procedures other than those mentioned in these SIs. Any such special procedures must be approved by the Protest Committee (PC).

5.6. Shortened Event. Should wind, weather or other conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races within the publicized time, the event shall be terminated and the results based on the completed number of races. Termination and decisions regarding results shall be made by the PC

## **6. CLASS FLAG**

The Flying Scott flag will be used for the class flag.

## **7. RACING AREA**

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas.

## **8. THE COURSE**

8.1. The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the course signals, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on each mark is to be left.

8.2. Courses will be windward leeward courses. Designated as "W#" where # is the number of legs to be sailed. Even numbered legs shall finish downwind, odd number legs will finish upwind. Typical courses will be W2,W3,W4,W5. Sample Course diagrams are depicted in Attachment B.

8.3. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat course board shall display the course designation and the approximate compass bearing to the first mark.

## **9. MARKS**

9.1. Rounding marks will be – Yellow Tetrahedrons.

9.2. New (change) marks will be – Orange Tetrahedrons

## **10. THE START**

10.1. Races will be started using rule 26.

10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side of a round orange ball.

10.3. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes rules 35, 63.1 and A5.

## **11. RECALLS –**

11.1. The RC will attempt to hail the recall numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. This changes rule 29.1.

11.2. 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.

## **12. CHANGE THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark pursuant to rule 33 (or move the finishing line) and remove the old marks as soon as practicable.

## **13. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a RC boat and the course side of the designated finish mark.



#### **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

14.1. – Appendix V shall be in effect V1 & V2.

#### **15. TIME LIMIT**

15.1. The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.

15.2. Finish Window – boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course in accordance with rule 28 and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

#### **16. EVENT PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

16.1. A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking SIs 3, 4, 21, or 22.

16.2. A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules. The penalty for breaking these SIs may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the PC. This changes rule 60.1(a).

16.3. A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the RC finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, identifying the boat(s) being protested. This changes rule 61.1(a) Protests forms will be available at and returned to the Jr Sailing Building.

16.4. The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the posted time the RC signal boat docks.

16.5. 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.

16.6. Notice of actions taken by the RC or PC and a list of boats penalized under Appendix P will be on the official notice board.

16.7. A request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

- a within the protest time limit, or 30 minutes after the decision is announced, whichever is later. This changes rules 62.2 and 66.

#### **17. SCORING**

17.1. The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply

17.2. Boats scored TLE shall be scored points equal to one more than the finish place of the last boat to finish within the finish window established in SI 16.2. This changes rules 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

17.3. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.4. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

17.5. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

#### **18. REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT**

Substitution or repair or replacement of hulls, sails, or equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the PC. [DP]

#### **19. COACHING AND OUTSIDE CONTACT**

19.1. This is a Grade 3 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/>



19.2. Except as provided in the Policy specified above, instructors, coaches and other support personnel and family members shall not go afloat in the defined racing area at any time during the event, except in spectator boats supplied by the Regatta Hosts if available.

**20. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES –**

US SAILING REGULATION 10.03 B AND 10.03 C, STATE:\*

*B. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1. marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2. any alcoholic beverages.*

*C. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.*

**21. CONDUCT OF COMPETITORS\***

21.1. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct will be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 69.1) and the policies and procedures of US Sailing.

**22. PRIZES**

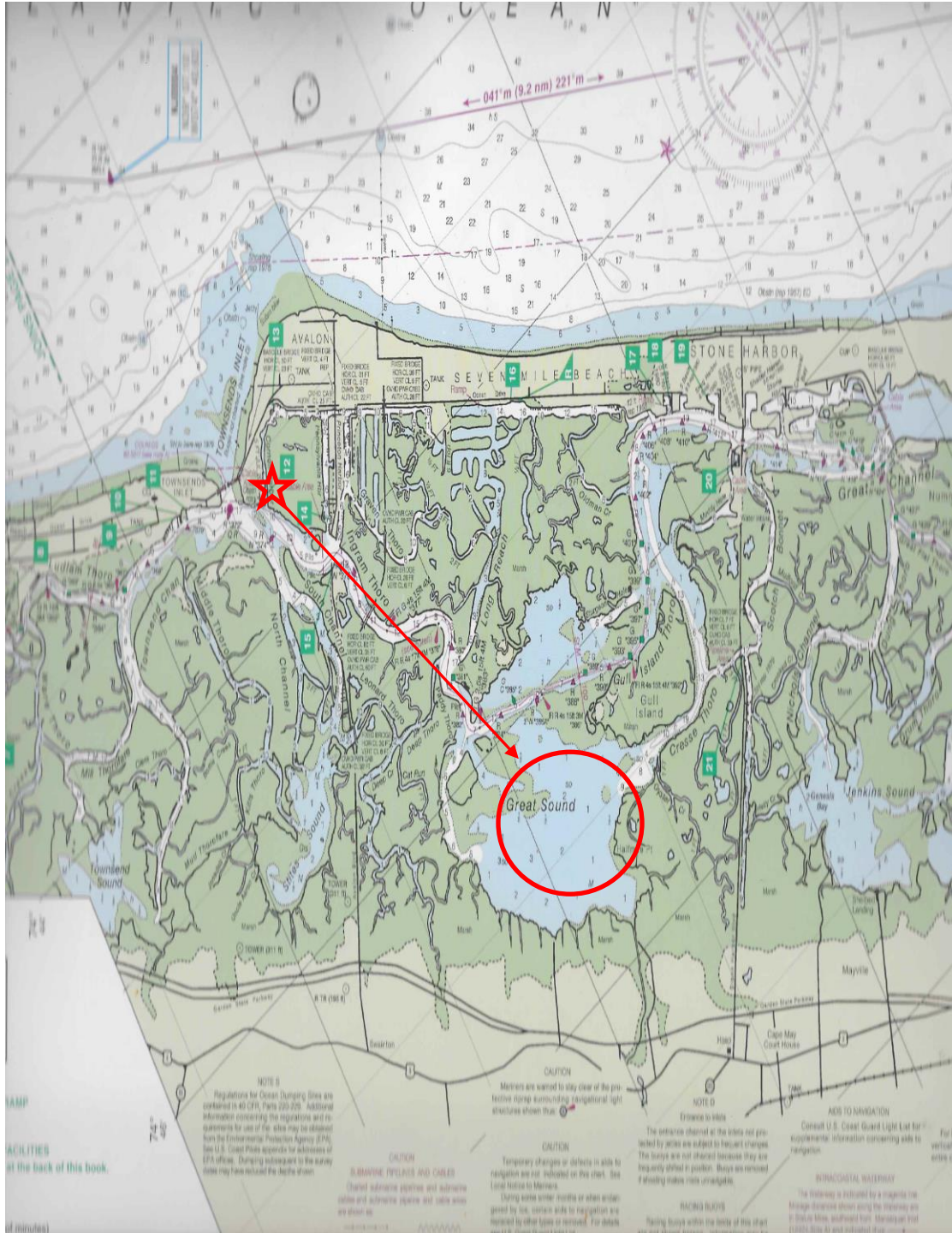
22.1. The top finishing, eligible team(s) will qualify for US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships. Eligibility is defined as per the 2018 Chubb US Junior Championship NoR.\*

22.2. Teams who qualify for Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championship must submit their registration to the event by June 15 or within three days of qualification, if the qualification event concludes after June 15. Failure to register within the deadline will mean the next eligible boat may move forward.\*

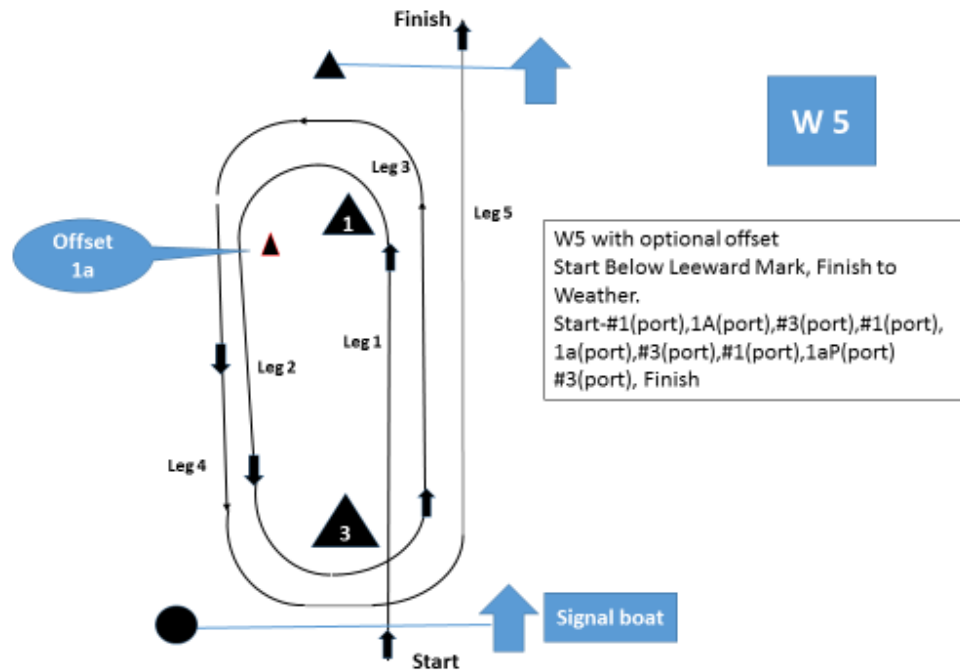
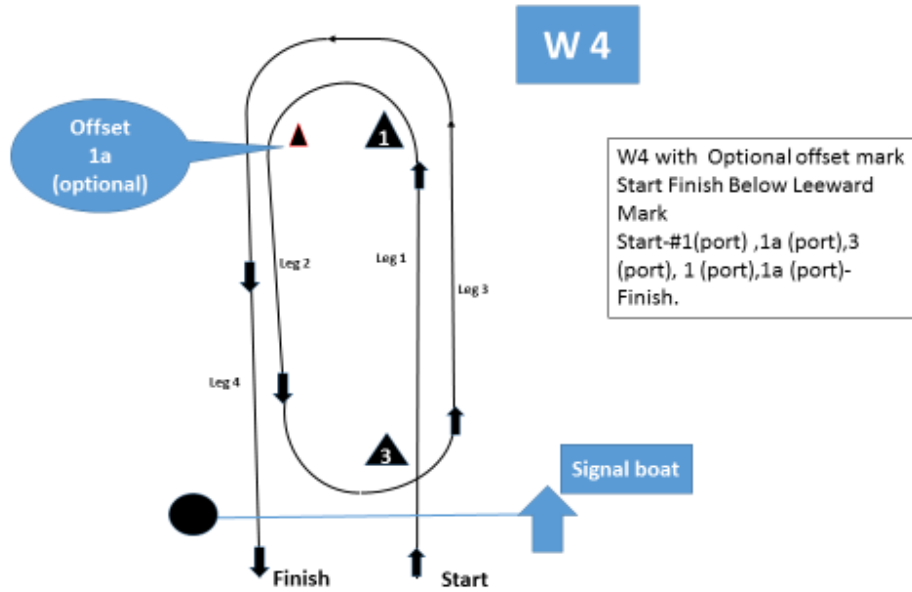
22.3. Additional honors: Awards for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place]



Attachment A



Attachment B









## Attachment C - Borrowed Boats

### A1 BOATS

A1.1 Competitors who use borrowed boats shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that

- (a) a compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
- (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
- (c) hulls, centerboards and rudders may be cleaned, but only with water;
- (d) adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the water line; and
- (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted, provided the class rules are compiled with

A1.2 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.

A1.3 The penalty for not complying with one of the above SIs will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the SI was broken.

A1.4 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the Organizing Authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this SI, unless the [PC] [jury] is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

A1.5 When Borrowed Boats are provided for the competitors in a series, the Breakdown Procedure of Appendix D5 shall be utilized. Appendix D5.2 is changed to substitute a yellow flag for signaling a breakdown on the boat. Reference to umpire is replaced with PC.

A1.6 All competitors shall participate in cost to repair any damage to the boats incurred during the regatta including damage incurred docking, while sailing enroute to and from the venue and while racing. Cost to repair damage which was solely attributable to a specific skipper and or crew shall be borne by that skipper.