



Lake Michigan Invite
Host: Macatawa Bay Junior Association
October 6th & 7th, 2018



Sailing Instructions – High School 420

1. Rules:

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017 – 2020, the ISSA Procedural Rules and these Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.2. The organizing authority (OA) is MISSA in conjunction with the Macatawa Bay Junior Association.

2. Notice to Competitors:

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the MBJA Junior Sailing Center board outside the director's office.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

- 3.1. Any change to these sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE; LAUNCHING.

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the race committee boat Recovery's Flag Pole.
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- 4.3. When flag AP is displayed, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES.

- 5.1. The schedule is as follows:

Saturday October 6th, 2018:

0730-0900 Registration
0930 Skippers Meeting
1000 HARBOR START
1100 Warning Signal for the first race of the day (Laser Radial, C420, HS420)

Sunday October 7th, 2018:

930 HARBOR START
1030 Warning Signal for the first race of the day (Laser Radial, C420, HS420)
Additional races to follow depending on sailing conditions.
No warning signal will be signaled after 1330.

- 5.2. Rotations and Boat Assignments will be distributed at the Skipper's Meeting. The Race Committee will attempt to complete a full rotation.

6. Racing Area:

- 6.1. The racing area will be on the waters of Lake Macatawa.



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7. The Course and Marks

- 7.1. Course will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.7
- 7.2. The number of laps the course will be sailed will be displayed on a white board on the Race Committee Signal Boat. W2 – 1 legs; W4 = 4 legs.
- 7.3. A boat shall not sail between the Race Committee Signal Boat and the start or finish mark unless the boat is in the process of starting or finishing.
- 7.4. The marks of the Laser/420 courses will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons. The start line mark will be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron. The finish line mark will be a white inflatable tetrahedron.

8. CHANGE OF COURSE; ABANDONING RACES.

- 8.1. When a course is changed pursuant to Rule 33, the old mark will be removed and replaced with a yellow inflatable tetrahedron on the Laser/420 course and with an orange inflatable tetrahedron on the RWB course. During the race, marks may be repositioned without signal for minor changes in course. This instruction changes Rule 33.
- 8.2. In Accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(d), Races will not be shortened.
- 8.3. The Race Committee may abandon a race by displaying code flag “N”, “N” over “H,” or “N” over “A” with three (3) sounds or a verbal hail. This instruction changes the Race Signals and Rule 32.1. Rule 32.1 is further modified to read, “For any other reason directly affecting the safety or fairness of the competition, or, when in the judgment of the Race Committee, the race is an unsatisfactory test of skill.”

9. THE START.

- 9.1. Starts will be pursuant to Appendix U.
- 9.2. The starting line will be between the staff bearing orange flag on Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end of the line and a mark at the port end of the starting line.
- 9.3. A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This instruction changes Rules 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 9.4. The starting order for the Laser/420 Course will be C420, Laser Radial, and then the HS420, class flag for the Laser is red with a white Laser insignia; C420 is numeral flag #1 (white with red dot); HS420 is numeral flag #2 (blue with white dot).

10. THE FINISH.

- 10.1. The finish line will be between Race Committee Boat at the starboard end of the finish line and a mark at the port end of the finish line. The Race Committee may attempt to make a sound signal when the first boat in each race crosses the finish line solely for the purpose of confirming that the boat crossed the line. Failure of the Race Committee to make such a signal or an error in making such a signal shall not be grounds for granting redress. This instruction changes Rules 41 and 62.1.
- 10.2. Boats that have finished shall immediately return to the starting area and keep well clear of all boats still racing.

11. Scoring

- 11.1. Scoring will be accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 9

12. PROTESTS, PENALTIES, AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS.

- 12.1. Protests will be handled in accordance of ISSA PR Part VI
- 12.2. Protests shall be delivered to the designated jury representative at the designated “Judges’ Area” located in the MBJA Junior Sailing Center not later than 30 minutes after the race committee signal or finish boat, whichever is



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later, docks. The Race Committee will post the time of the docking on the Official Notice Board as soon as practical. This instruction changes rule 61.3.

- 12.3.** Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board within 30 minutes after the protest time limit or as soon thereafter as practical to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Judges' Area. Such posting constitutes the notification required in Rule 63.2.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS.

- 13.1.** Check In: All boats are required to check in with the Race Committee when the L flag is displayed.
- 13.2.** A competitor retiring from a race shall notify a race committee boat or safety boat before leaving the course or notify the race committee immediately upon returning to shore.
- 13.3.** Each competitor must wear a US Coast Guard Approved Life Jacket, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. Failure to wear one will result in a penalty up to and including disqualification.
- 13.4.** Each competitor must have a whistle attached to his or her clothing at all times, from dock to dock.

14. Prizes:

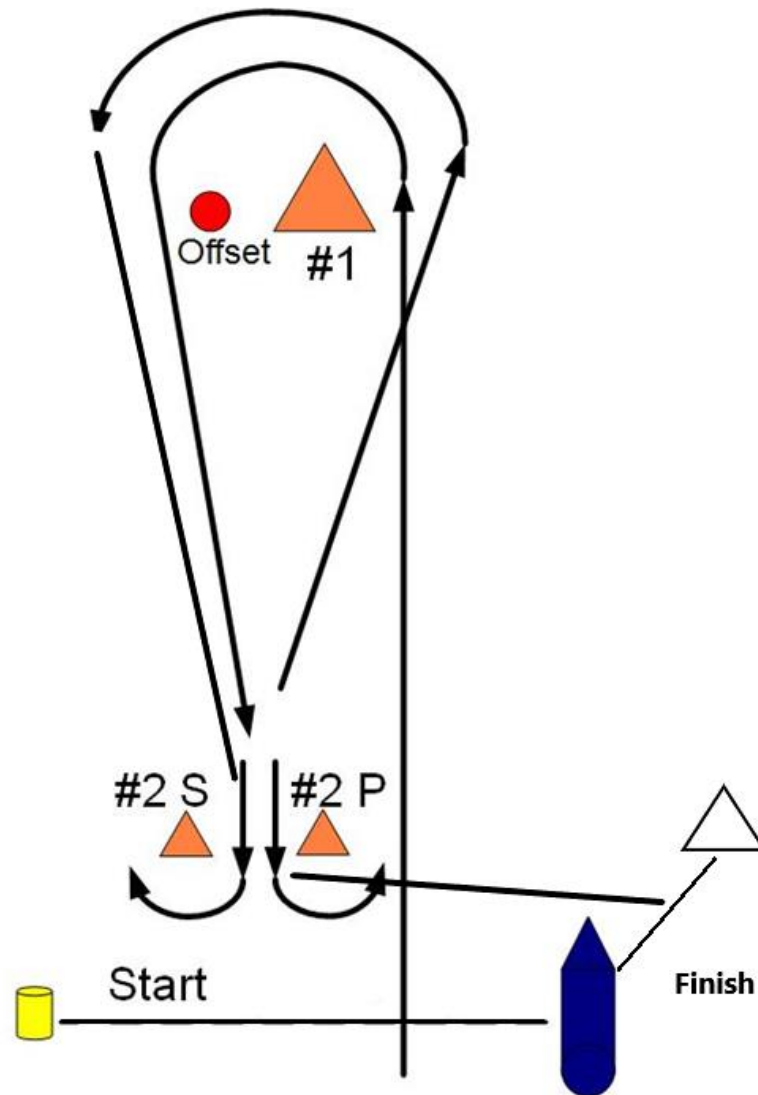
- 14.1.** Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd in the regatta.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.

- 15.1.** Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk.
- 15.2.** Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of the sailor whom are less than 18 years of age. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s) of the sailor to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.
- 15.3.** The organizing authority and all parties involved with the organization of the event disclaim any and every responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury, inconvenience or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and at sea as a consequence of participation in the races covered by these sailing instructions.



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W - Even # of legs