

# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

## **2019 MUTINEER Summer Series II**

**Grapevine Sailing Club, Grapevine, Texas**  
The organizing authority is Grapevine Sailing Club ("GSC").

### **1. RULES:**

- 1.1** The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The 2017-2020 International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, and applicable class rules except for any of those that are altered by the SIs will govern these races.
- 1.2** Racing Rule 49.1 is changed to allow the use of hiking pants.

### **2. ELIGIBILITY:**

- 2.1** The Series is open to all Mutineer 15's. A minimum of three boats is required to form a class. All boats shall have sail numbers which match the registration form and are identifiable and readable from both sides of the sail.
- 2.2** Series races are open to all GSC members in good standing who have achieved this status prior to the skippers meeting.

### **3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:** Notices to competitors will be posted on the Series Notice Board located at Scotts Landing Marina Registration Office.

### **4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 4.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Series Notice Board at least one hour before the first race of each day.
- 4.2** Oral changes may be made by the Race Committee on the water prior to the time of the warning signal of any race upon the raising of signal flag "L" with one sound.

### **5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:**

- 5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole or yardarm at the Club or from the Race Committee Boat if docked in the host club harbor.
- 5.2** Code Flag "AP" with two sound signals means the race is postponed. DO NOT leave the club area. The warning signal will not be made sooner than 30 minutes from the lowering of "AP", accompanied by one signal. This modifies "Race Signals".

### **6. SCHEDULE OF RACES:**

#### **Sunday, July 28, 2019**

10:00 Skipper's Meeting at the Clubhouse or Launching Area

11:00 Warning Signal for start of race one. The second race will follow race one.

#### **Sunday, August 4, 2019**

10:00 Warning Signal for the first race. The second race will follow race one.

#### **Sunday, August 11, 2019**

10:00 Warning Signal for the first race. The second race will follow race one.

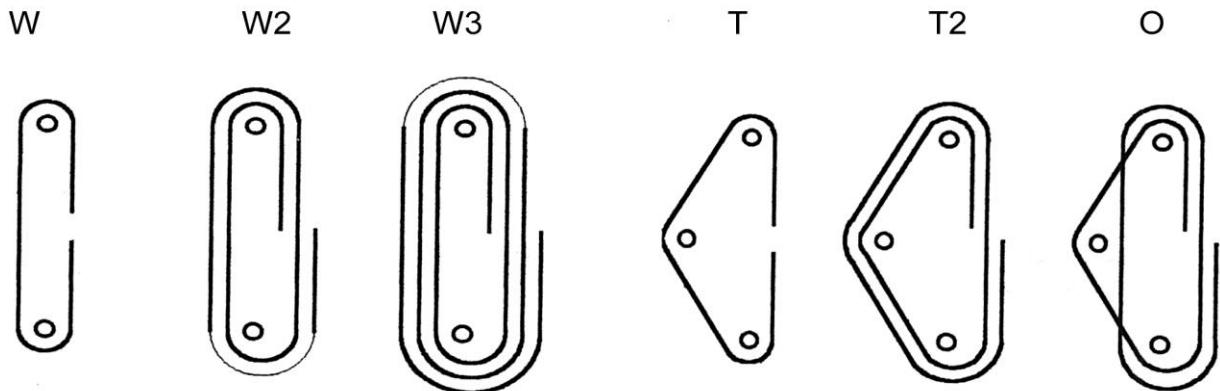
#### **Sunday, August 25, 2019**

10:00 Warning Signal for the first race. The second race will follow race one.

- 7 RACING AREA:** The racing area shall be outside of the mouth of the harbor either left for right away from harbor traffic.
- 8. CHECK IN ON THE WATER:** Prior to the first warning signal of the day, each competitor shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee Boat on starboard tack, hail its sail number and be acknowledged by the Race Committee. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.

**9. RACE COURSES:**

- 9.1** There will be three types of race courses as follows: “W” (windward/leeward) – windward, leeward, windward to finish; “T” (triangle) – windward, reach, reach, windward to finish; or “O” (Olympic) – windward, reach, reach, windward, leeward, windward to finish. Multiple times around the course will be designated by a number following the “T” or “W”. The numbers do not represent leg. The number represents the number of times around each course.
- 9.2** A different mark may be used as a weather mark for a shorter course for any fleet. Notice of use of such a mark in a race may be made by the Race Committee prior to the warning signal of the race.
- 9.3** The following diagrams show the courses to be sailed and the order in which the marks are to be rounded.



- 9.4** Unless a race is shortened in accordance with the Rules, the start/finish line will be in the middle of the windward leg. During the race, if the Race Committee boat is displaying an orange flag on a staff, the start/finish line will be an obstruction, except to finish. Boats that sail through this obstruction will be scored points equal to DNF, unless they properly unwind.

**10. MARKS:**

- 10.1** Marks will be orange round buoys as announced at the Skippers Meeting.
- 10.2** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

**13 THE START:**

- 13.2** Races will be started in accordance with Rule 26. A series of short signals may be made before any starting sequence begins in order to attract attention.
- 13.3** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the starting mark.
- 13.4** A boat may not start later than 5 minutes after the start. Boats attempting to start after this time will be scored a DNS. This changes Rule A 4.1.
- 13.5** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of both the start line and all boats whose warning signal has been made.

- 14 RECALLS:** Recalls will be signaled in accordance with Rule 29. The race committee intends to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. 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. This changes rules 41 and 62.1

- 15 THE FINISH:** The finish line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the finish mark.

**16 TIME LIMIT:**

- 16.1 The time limit for each race will be 60 minutes for the first boat to finish.
- 16.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in their fleet will be scored two (2) points more than the last boat to finish within the time limit but in any case no more than a score of DNF; however, at its discretion, the Race Committee may finish any boat in place and it will be scored based on its position on the race course. This modifies Rules 32 & 35.
- 16.3 A race may be abandoned by the Race Committee if the leading boat has not rounded the first mark within 30 minutes of the start. This modifies Rule 32.

**17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:**

- 17.1 A boat intending to file a protest for an incident occurring in the racing area shall inform the race committee finish boat of its intent to protest immediately after finishing. This changes Rule 61.1.
- 17.2 Protests shall be in writing. Forms will be made available at the clubhouse, and delivered to the Series Chair or their representative there within sixty (60) minutes after the race committee boat docks.
- 17.3 Before any protest is heard, a pre-hearing with one Judge, the Protester and Protestee will be conducted. If these three can unanimously agree on a resolution of the protest within 15 minutes, no protest hearing will be held. If the pre-hearing participants agree that the protested or protesting boat infringed a rule, that boat may take the scoring penalty set forth below by completing a report indicating acceptance of the penalty and submitting it to the protest committee. If the protest is not resolved during the pre-hearing, a full protest hearing will be conducted according to Racing Rules Part 5. The person who served as mediator may not serve on the protest committee. This modifies Rules 63.1 and 63.2.
- 17.4 Any boat accepting a penalty in a pre-hearing will receive a penalty score equal to the score for the place worst than her actual finishing place by the whole number (rounding .5 upward) nearest to 40% of the number of boats racing in the race in which the infringement occurred, except that it shall not be scored worse than DNF. The scores of the other boats in the race shall not be changed; therefore two boats may receive the same score.
- 17.5 The protest time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within thirty (30) minutes of the end of protest time. This posting constitutes the notification required in Rule 61.1(b) and 63.2.
- 17.6 A boat is not permitted to protest another boat for breaking sailing instructions 8, 10, 19, 20 & 21. This changes Rule 60.1(a). The penalty for breaking these instructions may be less than disqualification at the discretion of the protest committee.

**18 SCORING:**

- 18.1 **The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores**
- 18.2 . There will be 1 throw-out after 5 races sailed.
- 18.3 **Canceled or Abandoned races due to wind or weather issues will be re -sailed after race 1 & 2 on the next scheduled series race day, wind and weather permitting.**

**19 SAFETY:**

- 19.1 A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal buoyancy device shall be onboard all competitors boats while on the water. All skippers shall be responsible for the decision of when such vest shall be worn.
- 19.2 A competitor who withdraws from a race or does not intend to start a race shall inform the Race Committee as soon as possible. This may also be accomplished by the competitor by notifying the Race Committee by radio.

**Let's Go Sailing!  
Above all, HAVE FUN!**