This notice is provided as a courtesy and is not an official document governing the event.

This notice is to bring to your attention to some important changes incorporated in the Sailing Instructions. However, it is always important that you carefully read in their entirety all of the documents posted for this event.

Sailing Instructions (SIs)

- 1. The SIs Preamble describes the notations DP/discretionary penalty] and [NP/non-protestable] that are used throughout the Sailing Instructions.
- 2. In the interest of meeting the requirements of RRS 41 OUTSIDE HELP, the Race Committee Signal Boat will no longer hail those boats on the course side (OCS) at the start. RRS 29 will apply.

3. SI 18 SCORING INQUIRIES, PROTESTS/REQUEST FOR REDRESS:

SI 18.2 The process for reconciling your racing scores via submitting a Scoring Inquiry Form is your first step. This will usually mean working with the race committee to work out a resolution. If your scoring issue is not resolved to your satisfaction through this first step, you may then submit a request redress, resulting in having a hearing. Filing a request for redress must be submitted as soon as possible after meeting with the race committee.

SI 18.3 and 18.5 The time limit for protests, requests for redress regarding incidents on the race course and scoring inquiries on actions of the race committee and judges on-the-water is thirty (30) minutes following the dock time of the RC Signal Boat for your Race Area.

4. **SI 19.1 PENALTY SYSTEMS** Appendix P is revised by the SIs. Violations of RRS 42/Kinetics will be called by judges on the water. The Edison Sailing Center website includes Common Breaches of Rule 42 for Lasers and 420s.

Note: Anytime that a judge hails your number with a whistle and yellow flag, the boat must take a two-turns penalty; your SECOND and subsequent yellow flag(s) for the event will also mean that the boat must take a two-turn penalty.

5. Si 19.2 PENALTY SYSTEMS

Both parts of Appendix V will apply for this regatta. It's important to read Appendix V before coming out to race. In general, in V1 the two-turn penalty is changed to one-turn when outside the zone and in V2 a boat can retire from a race and have a 30% scoring penalty instead of the normal score given to a boat that retires. Please note that 44.1 (b) (causing injury or serious damage or gaining a significant advantage) always applies and could mean that the jury will determine that a boat cannot take an alternate penalty either at the time of the incident or afterward.

BASIC PRINCIPLES: SPORTSMANSHIP AND THE RULES:

Though the following statement has always been part of the *Racing Rules of Sailing and is not new,* we state it here to reinforce the expectations of all racers at this event.

Competitors in the sport of sailing are governed by a body of rules that they are expected to follow and enforce. A fundamental principle of sportsmanship is that when competitors break a rule, they will promptly take a penalty, which may be to retire.