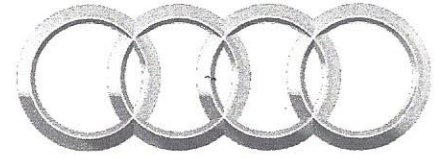




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Eau Gallie Yacht Club and Melbourne Yacht Club

Indian Harbor Beach, Florida

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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 No member of the crew shall station any part of his/her torso outside the upper lifeline other than temporarily. This modifies RRS 49.

1.3 With permission of the IJCA, the following IJCA class rule is modified: IJCA rule **C 2.1 (b)** is changed to permit a boat to sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration. Crew changes not declared at registration require advance written approval of the race committee and will only be approved in exceptional circumstances.

1.4 RRS 41 will be changed as follows: A boat shall receive no outside assistance, except as provided for in RRS 41, after leaving her mooring for the first race of each day until she returns to her mooring. This changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS

1.5 RRS 42.3 (b) and (c) will be replaced by IJCA Rule C 1.1.

1.6 The only US prescriptions that will apply are 61.4, 40, Appendix R, 67, 76.1.

2. Notices to Competitors:

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta notice board located on the near the flagpole and outdoor dining area of EGYC

2.2 The race committee will use VHF channel 72 to communicate with competitors on the water.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions:

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the end of protest time on the day before it will take effect.

4. Signals Made Ashore:

4.1 Signals made ashore will be made at the flag pole adjacent to the outdoor dining area and pool at EGYC.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 40 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5. Schedule of Races:

5.1

Day	Date	Time	Event/Activity
Thursday	27 February	0900 – 1700 0900 – 1700 1400 -1530	Registration/ Crew Weigh-In at EGYC Launching at Telemar Bay Marina Practice Race
Friday	28 February	0800 – 0930 0930 1000 1145	Registration/Crew Weigh-in at EGYC, Late arrival launching at Telemar Bay Marina All boats afloat Competitor's Meeting Warning for First Race of the Day
Saturday	29 February	0800 – 0830 1100	Crew Weigh-in*/Measurement Warning for First Race of the Day
Sunday	01 March	0800 – 0830 1000 1400 1600	Crew Weigh-in* Warning for First Race of the Day Haul Out at Telemar Bay Marina Awards at EGYC No races started after 1230

***These scheduled crew weigh-ins are only for JURY approved replacement crew**

5.2 Nine Races are scheduled over three consecutive days.

5.3 Three races are scheduled for Friday, four on Saturday and two on Sunday. One extra race per day may be sailed provided that the regatta does not become more than one race ahead of schedule and the change is made according to the provisions of the Sailing Instructions. If the regatta is behind schedule, extra races to a maximum of four races may be sailed in a single day.

6. Class Flag:

The J/24 Class Flag (Blue insignia on a white background) shall be used

7. Racing Areas:

The racing area is the waters of the Indian River north of the Eau Galle Causeway.

8. Courses:

8.1 The course shall be as shown in Addendum 1, Course Diagram for all races.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee Signal boat will display the number of LEGS, the approximate compass bearing and the distance of the first leg on a white board at the stern of the Signal boat. The RC will also broadcast this information. Failure to broadcast or to receive this information shall not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under RRS 62.1 (a).

8.3 If only one mark of a gate is in place, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

8.4 The gate may be adjusted at any time without signaling a course change, provided that one mark remains in place.

9. Marks:

9.1 Mark 1 will be an orange tetrahedron, mark 1a will be an orange sphere. Marks 2P and 2S will be orange tetrahedrons.

9.2 New marks, when used in accordance with SI 12 will be a yellow cylinder.

9.3 The starting marks will be a race committee boat on one end of the line and an inflatable yellow ball at the other. A small buoy maybe attached to the committee boat and is to be considered part of the mark.

9.4 The finishing marks will be a race committee boat on one end of the line and an orange ball at the other.

10. Start:

10.1 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side of an inflatable mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.

10.3 RRS 26 shall be used for all races.

11. Recalls

11.1 After an individual recall, the Race Committee may broadcast the bow number of any boats on the course side of the starting line on the VHF channel 72.

11.2 Failure to make or receive such broadcasts or the order of transmission shall not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under RRS 62.1 (a).

12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course:

- 12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 12.2 When the windward mark is replaced, the offset mark will not be set.

13. The Finish:

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the finishing boat and the course side of an inflatable mark.
- 13.2 If code flag A is displayed, without sound signal on the finish boat, it indicates that racing is concluded for the day.

14. Time Limits and Target Times:

- 14.1 The target time for races is 50 to 75 minutes. Failure to meet the target time shall not be considered an improper action or omission of the race committee under RRS 62.1 (a).
- 14.2 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 75 minutes.
- 15.2 Boats that are still racing, but fail to finish within 20minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4, A5 and A11.

15. Penalty System:

- 15.1 The first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to read as follows: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a Rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a Rule of Part 2 while in the Zone of a rounding or finishing mark, her penalty shall be Two-Turns. Unless the course is shortened to finish at the weather mark, penalties within three boat lengths of the windward mark may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downward leg. This changes RRS 4.2 and V1".
- 15.2 Penalties After The Race: After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be 30% Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in Rule 44.1(c). However, Rules 44.1(a) and (c) apply and the penalty shall not be taken after a protest hearing has begun. A boat takes a Post-Penalty by informing the JURY in writing and identifying the race number and when the incident occurred.
- 15.3 The red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm. This changes RRS 61.1 (a).
- 15.4 Alternative scoring penalties shall apply for breaking certain class rules. See Attachment C. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

16. Protests and Requests for Redress:

- 16.1 Any boat intending to protest or file a request for redress is required to notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing that race. This modifies RRS 61.1(a).

- 16.2 Protests shall be in writing on forms available from the race jury. Protest shall be delivered to the jury within 40 minutes after the signal boat posts her docking time. This period is the Protest Time. This modifies RRS 61.3.
- 16.3 Within the Protest Time, the Race Committee shall post the sail numbers of all the boats that are disqualified or penalized under Rule 29 and 30. A boat so notified may file a request for redress hearing within 30 minutes of that posting. If the Race Committee posts a list of OCS, ZFP, UFD, or BFD on the Official Notice Board before the protest time limit, a request for redress shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2
- 16.4 A notice fulfilling the requirements of RRS 63.2, and indicating the parties, time and order of hearings will be posted not later than 30 minutes following the expiring of Protest Time. (Protests on Friday and Saturday will be heard at EGYC. Protests on Sunday will be heard at MYC. Location will be posted)
- 16.5 On the last day of the racing, a request for redress based on a Protest Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes 62.2 and 66.

17. Scoring:

- 17.1 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a Championship.
- 17.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst non-excludable score. Appendix A is changed accordingly.
- 17.3 A TLE score shall be two more points than the number of boats that have finished within the time limit.

18. Safety Regulations:

- 18.1 Before the warning signal of the first race each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of a designated race committee boat displaying flag L and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the race committee repeating her number. Boats failing to do so shall incur a 10% Penalty imposed by the Race Committee without a hearing. This modifies RRS 63.1.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race or returns to the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible by hail or VHF transmission.
- 18.3 Boats shall not interfere with commercial vessels navigating in the ICW. Any boat which does so will be subject to protest and possible disqualification.

19. Replacement of Crew or Equipment:

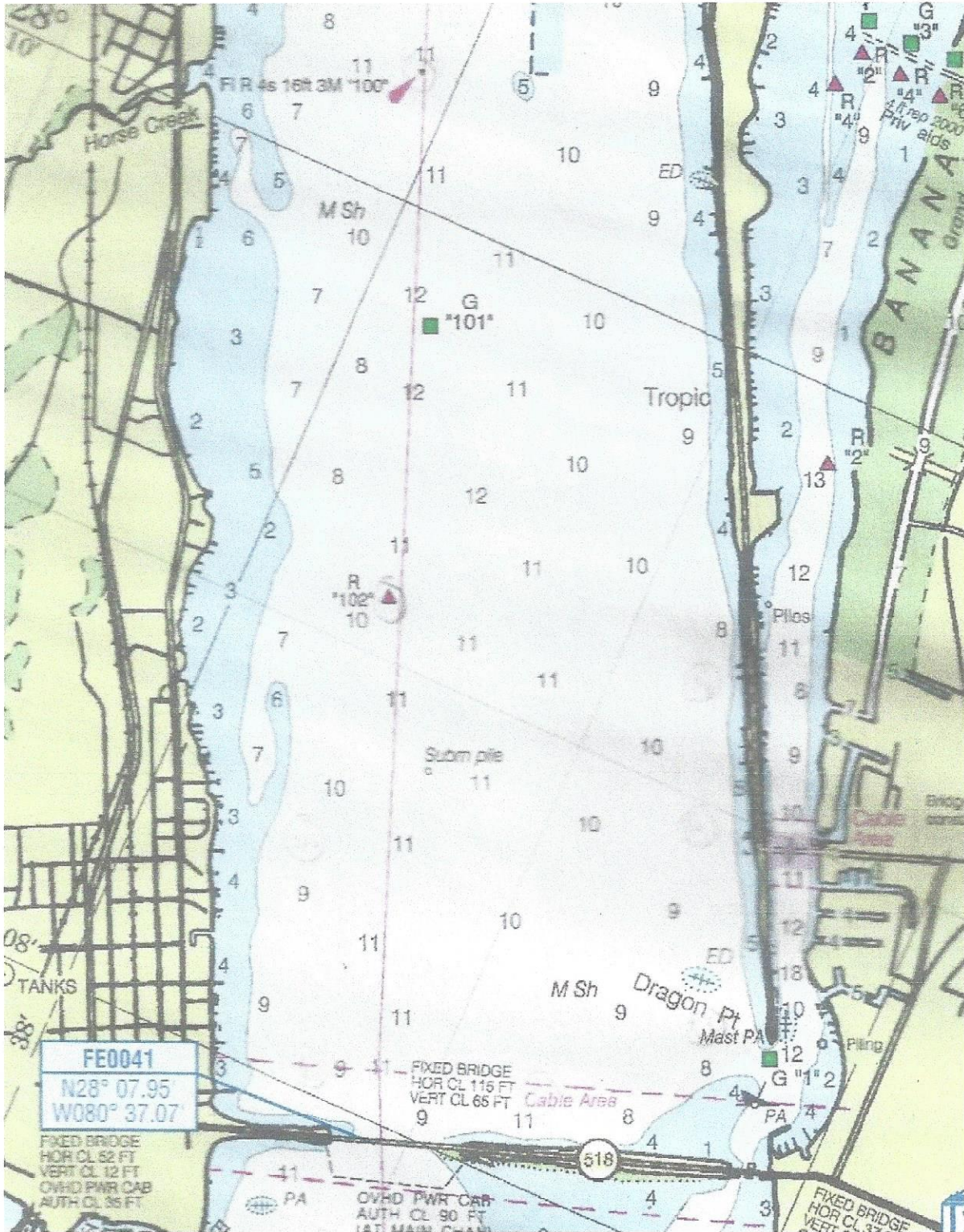
- 19.1 With permission, IJCA rule C 2.1(b) is changed to permit a boat to sail with different crew on different days provided the crew changes are declared at registration.
- 19.2 Crew changes not declared at registration will be allowed only with prior written approval of the race committee. a. Unless the race committee specifies otherwise, any substitution permitted will be for 24 hours only. b. The number of crew shall not change during the regatta.
- 19.3 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

Substitution of spinnaker poles or rudders with spares that have been measured and are carried aboard may be done without notification.

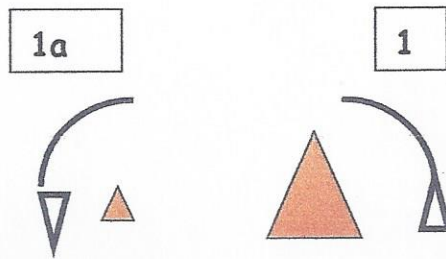
20. Radio Communications:

20.1 Except in an emergency or as permitted by SI 2.2 , a boat shall neither make or receive radio or other electronic transmissions while racing. This changes RRS 41 (c).

ATTACHMENT A - RACING AREA LOCATION



Addendum 1 - Course Diagram

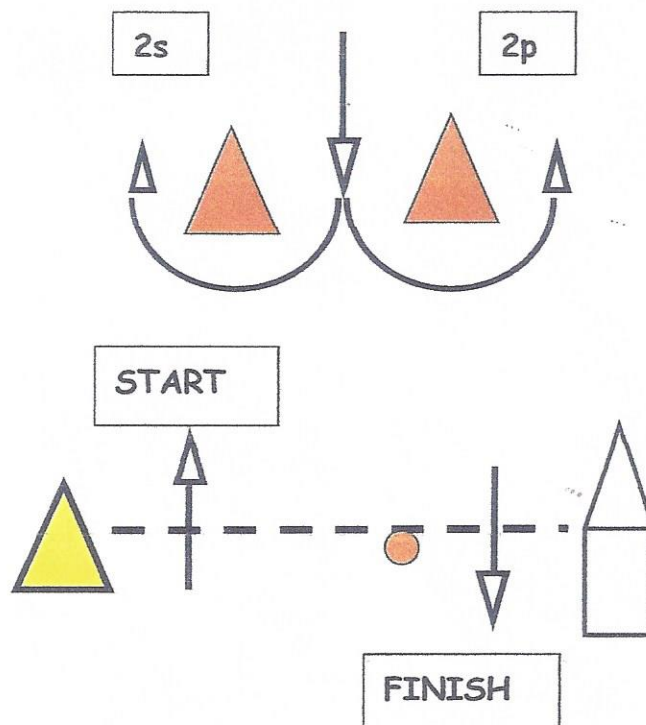


The number of legs will be posted on the signal boat.

If one mark of a gate is missing or not used, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

The angle of a gate or offset mark may be adjusted at any time without signaling a course change.

NOT TO SCALE



ATTACHMENT C**Alternative Penalties for Breaking Some Class Rules**

Alternative scoring penalties shall apply for breaking certain class rules. If a boat receives one of the above penalties, the protest decision shall include whether the same penalty can or will be applied to subsequent infringements. The protest decision may also specify that the boat cannot be protested again under the same class rule for a time period specified by the jury. The jury will decide to which race(s) the penalty shall apply.

Class Rule	Infringement	Scoring Penalty	
B.3	Complete Measurement Certificate, including the Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment is not on board	20%	
C.4	Advertising does not conform to World Sailing (Reg 20) standards	20%	
C.9.4 & C.9.5	Mainsail is set outside of the limit marks	20%	
C.5.1(a)(1)	Bailing bucket (9 liter min. with lanyard) is not on board	20%	
C.7.2(a)(9)	Approved compass device is not present or not functional	20%	
C.5.1(a)(4)	Throwable lifesaving device with attached sea anchor is not on deck, ready for use	20%	
C.5.1(a)(5)	First aid kit is not on board	20%	
C.5.1(b)(1) C.5.1(a)(2) C.5.2(a)(10)	Any of anchors(s), outboard motor/engine, battery or engine fuel container(s) are not in their proper location and secured against movement	20%	
C.7.3(a)(11)	Elastic (shock) cord is used in the standing or running rigging where it is not specifically allowed	20%	
C.5.3	Stowage of equipment other than unbagged sails on the cabin sole	20%	
	Removal of the rudder from the water when the Sailing Instructions stipulate that the boat shall remain afloat for the duration of the regatta	20%	