

US Sailing's Chubb U.S. Junior Sailing Championships Area A Championship June 26-27, 2021

The U.S. Junior Doublehanded Championship for the Bemis Trophy

Organizing Authority (OA): Sail Newport and US Sailing

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (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 <u>Conditions for the Junior Sailing Championship</u> 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 1** Coaching event.
- 1.3. This Championship is not being conducted as a sanctioned or class association event. Only the Equipment Measurement Rules for the **C420** 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 deck at 72 Fort Adams Drive.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the SIs will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the close of the morning briefing on the day it takes effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted no later than the end of the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals ashore will be displayed from the Robin Wallace Youth Building Flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5. SAFETY AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

- 5.1. Before the warning signal of the first race in which they intend to compete each day, boats shall check in by sailing on starboard tack of their class's RC signal boat. Each boat shall hail her recall number until acknowledged by the signal boat. Failure to check in may result in a penalty. [DP]
- 5.2. 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]
- 5.3. 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. For the **C420 discipline**, competitors may also bring aboard their personal trapeze harness. [DP]

5.4. GPS devices are specifically prohibited. [DP]

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Friday June 25	All Day	Boats May Arrive at Sail Newport
Saturday June 26	0900	Competitors Meeting on the deck at 72 Fort Adams Drive
	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races
		to follow
	After Racing	Pizza at Sail Newport
Sunday June 27	1100	Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races
		to follow
	1500	No Warning Signal after this time
	After Racing	Awards and Del's Lemonade at Sail Newport

- 6.1. There are a maximum of 10 races scheduled.
- 6.2. The warning signal for succeeding races will be made as soon as possible after finish of preceding race.

7. CLASS FLAG

Class flags will be:

Class

<u>Flag</u>

C420

8. RACING AREA

Attachment A shows the location of racing areas and course diagrams.

9. THE COURSE

- 9.1. The diagrams in Attachment A 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.
- 9.2. No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat shall display the course designation and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.









9.3. If one of the gate marks is missing, the mark in position will be rounded to port.

10. MARKS

- 10.1. Rounding marks will be orange MarkSetBot bot marks.
- 10.2. The start/finish MarkSetBot will be green.
- 10.3. New marks will be yellow inflatable marks.

11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started using rule 26.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat and a MarkSetBot at the port end of the line.
- 11.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes rules 35, 63.1 and A5.

12. RECALLS

- 12.1. The RC will attempt to hail the recall numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal. This changes rule 29.1.
- 12.2. 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.

13. CHANGE THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the old marks as soon as practicable. A new mark will not be accompanied by an offset nor will subsequent changes during that race.
- 13.2. Courses may be changed up to 015° and .15nm without a signal or change in mark color. This changes RRS 33.

14. THE FINISH

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

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 20 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 4, 5, 21, or 22. For the Quadruplehanded Division, 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).
- 16.2. 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).
- 16.3. Protests forms will be available at and returned to the Jury Secretary located on the deck at 72 Fort Adams Drive.
- 16.4. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after 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. On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - a within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - b 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 15.2. 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. COACHING AND OUTSIDE CONTACT

- 18.1. This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the US Sailing Championship Support Vessel Policy. See https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/
- 18.2. 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.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1. Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, the State of Rhode Island, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

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 2021 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.









Attachment A – Course Diagrams and Racing Area

W Course







W (1 lap)	Start-1-1A-Finish
W2 (2 laps)	Start-1-1A-2p/2s-1-1A-Finish
W3 (3 laps)	Start-1-1A-2p/2s-1-1A-2p/2s-1-1A-Finish









Racing Area







