

Melges 15 Fall Regatta Centerport Yacht Club October 15-16, 2022 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 Melges 15 Class Rules.
- 1.2 Protests will be heard by two fellow competitors, one chosen by each party involved in the protest. Any competitor chosen to hear a protest is expected to follow the guidance provided in RRS Appendix M (Recommendations for Protest Committees).
- **1.3** The OA holds the right to dismiss any competitor that demonstrates poor seamanship, sportsmanship, or gross misconduct during the event.
- **1.5** There shall be a time limit of 20 minutes after the first boat finishes. This modifies RRS 35.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **2.1** 10 races are scheduled.
- **2.2** October 15, first warning: 1130 hrs.
- **2.3** October 16, first warning: 1030 hrs., no warning after 1400 hrs.

3 RACING AREA

Racing will be held in the waters of Northport Harbor, Northport Bay, or Huntington Bay.

4 COURSES

- **4.1** Courses shall be Windward Leewards. Detailed course descriptions can be found at the conclusion of this document.
- **4.2** Courses will be displayed with placards on the Race Committee (RC) signal boat.
- **4.3** Target race time will be approximately 25 mins.

5 MARKS

All turning marks will be colored inflatables.

6 SHORTENING COURSE

- **6.1** A race being shortened to finish at the windward mark will be finished between the windward mark and a boat to starboard of the windward mark.
- **6.2** A race being shortened to finish at the leeward gate will be finished between each end of the leeward gate and recorded by an adjacent boat.

7 CHANGE OF COURSE

- **7.1** Turning marks may be moved up to 5 degrees from its original bearing without notification to the fleet. This changes RRS 33.
- **7.2** Turning marks being adjusted greater than 5 degrees will be signaled to the fleet at the prior turning mark with sound and display of code flag C. This changes RRS 33.

8 THE START

- **8.1** The 3-minute dinghy starting sequence will be used. This changes RRS 26.
- **8.2** The start will be between a floating pin with an orange flag and an orange flag displayed on the signal boat.

9 THE FINISH

The finish will be between an inflatable mark and a blue flag displayed on the signal boat.

10 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- **10.1** Changes to the Sailing Instructions made ashore will be posted on the official notice board, located at the Centerport Yacht Club Sailing Center.
- **10.2** Changes to the Sailing Instructions made on the water will be announced via megaphone multiple times. RC will do everything possible to ensure all competitors are made aware of the change.

11 PERSONAL FLOATATION

Personal floatation devices as described in Melges 15 Class Rules shall be worn while racing. This changes class rule C.4.1(a).

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COURSE DIAGRAM

Course W: Start – 1 – 2 – 3p - Finish

Course W2: Start – 1 – 2 – 3p/3s – 1 – 2 – 3p – Finish



