

**Commonwealth Cup Regatta**  
**September 23 -25, 2022**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - J/22 Fleet**

**1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at the Commonwealth Yacht Club.

2.2 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

2.3 The Race Committee intends to broadcast pertinent race information on VHF Channel 72. Failure of such information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

**3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Commonwealth Yacht Club.

3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 Minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

**4. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

4.1 It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct as many races as practical.

4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 0900.

4.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1300.

**5. CLASS FLAGS**

A class flag will be a unique color, pattern, and shape or class logo. A description of each class flag will be posted on the official notice board and announced at the skippers' meeting.

**6. RACING AREAS**

The racing area will be on Kentucky Lake northwest of the canal.

**7. THE COURSES**

The diagram in Attachment A show the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

**8. MARKS**

8.1 Marks will be orange cylinders. The offset mark will be a white ball.

8.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 10.1, will be yellow cylinders.

## **9. THE START**

9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a white ball at the port end.

9.2 The race will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

9.3 An orange ball may be placed just off the stern of the Signal Boat. No yacht shall pass between the ball and the Signal Boat.

## **10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

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.

## **11. THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and a white ball at the port end.

## **12. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

12.1 Protest forms are available at the race office, located at Commonwealth Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

12.2 The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the Race Committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.

12.3 Protests will be heard as soon as practicable.

## **13. RETIRING FROM A RACE**

A boat that wishes to retire from a race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the course area via VHF Channel 72 or, if unable to do so, by calling the PRO (706-988-1192)

## **14. SCORING**

The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

## **15. PENALTIES**

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident. If the incident occurred within the two-boat length circle near a mark of the course, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. If the incident occurred outside the two-boat length circle, her penalty shall be a One-Turn Penalty. This changes Rule 44.1.

## **16. NOTES**

Competitors are reminded that Kentucky Lake is a commercial waterway and sailing vessels do not have the right of way over a vessel under power that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

ATTACHMENT A

