



# Sailing Instructions T. Rowland Marshall Memorial Championship August 19 – 20, 2023 Lewes, DE

## 1. RULES

### Version 1.5

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of United States Sailing (US Sailing), the rules of the International Mobjack Association, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions. The organizing authorities are the International Mobjack Association and the Lewes Yacht Club. By competing in this event you agree to abide by current Covid-19 protocols.
- 1.2 The regatta is designated Category A. If these SI conflict with the NOR the SI will prevail.

## 2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing online registration with the organizing authority.
- 2.2 To be eligible, competitors shall be members of the International Mobjack Association and in good standing before starting their first race.
- 2.3 Registration must be completed at [Registration for Lewes Yacht Club : T. Rowland Marshall Memorial Mojack National Championship \(regattanetwork.com\)](https://www.regattanetwork.com) before the Skippers' Meeting on the first day of the regatta.
- 2.4 A competitor under 19 years of age as of the last day of the calendar year of this regatta may race as a Junior by indicating on the entry form that he/she is racing as a Junior.

## 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the sailing shed at the NE corner of the property.

## 4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0930 on the day it will take effect.
- 4.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 the day before it will take effect.
- 4.3 Changes to these SI may also be made orally on the water before the warning signal for the affected race.



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### **5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on a staff on the clubhouse upper deck that faces Delaware Bay. Numeral pennant two (blue pennant with white circle) will be displayed with signals for the Mobjack Fleet.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” for race signal AP.

### **6. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

#### **Schedule: Saturday, August 20**

- 7:00 – 9:30 Breakfast
- 8:00 – 10:00 Registration
- 9:00 Skippers Meeting (**Changed from NOR**)
- 10:30 First Signal for first race of the day
- Subsequent races back to back with lunch on the water
- 17:00 Happy Hour
- 18:30 Dinner

#### **Sunday, August 21**

- 7:00 – 9:00 Breakfast
- 10:00 First Signal for first race of the day
- Subsequent races back to back. No race will be started after 13:00.
- Lunch ashore and awards to follow the last race of the day

- 6.1 If signal flag “A” is displayed (with no sound) while boats are finishing there will be no more races that day.
- 6.2 Seven races are scheduled, with 3 or more races planned each day.
- 6.3 Races not completed on the scheduled day are rescheduled as the first races on the following day. Races not completed by the last day of racing will not be sailed.

### **7. RACING AREA**

- 7.1 The racing area will be located on the Delaware Bay, north of the Roosevelt Inlet.

### **8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagrams at the end of these SI show the courses to be sailed.
- 8.2 All marks shall be passed to port of the competitors’ boats.
- 8.3 Before a race’s warning signal, the race committee will display the course to be sailed on the committee vessel for that race.



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- 8.4 A number following the course designation for a "W" or "T" course indicates the number of legs to be sailed.

### **9. CLASS FLAG**

- 9.1 The class flag will be the International Mobjack Flag. If that flag is not available a yellow pennant will be the class flag.

### **10. MARKS**

- 10.1 The start /finish marks are buoys or an orange flag on race committee vessels.
- 10.2 Marks will be red buoys.

### **11. THE START**

- 11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with the warning signal given five (5) minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 An attention signal consisting of several short sounds may be made before the warning signal for any race. This is not a timed signal.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the pin vessel. If a pin vessel is not used a pin mark will be used instead.
- 11.4 The RC signal vessel may set a Limit Buoy.
- 11.5 A boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

### **12. RECALLS**

- 12.1 After the starting signal, the race committee may attempt to hail premature starters by announcing their sail numbers. Failure of a boat to be hailed, to hear the hail, her position in the sequence of notifications, or the promptness of notification shall not be considered valid grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.2 and 62.1.

### **13. COURSE CHANGES**

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will set a yellow change mark.
- 13.2 When a yellow change mark is replaced, it will be replaced by the original mark.



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- 13.3 Course changes of 20 degrees or less will not be signaled. This changes RRS 33.

### 14. THE FINISH

14.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the pin end finish vessel or a pin mark. **The finish line is open.**

### 15. TIME LIMITS

- 15.1 The time limit for any race will be 60 minutes.
- 15.2 If no boat has passed its first mark within 30 minutes the race may be abandoned.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat finishes shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing and will be scored two (2) points more than the last boat to finish successfully. In no event, however, will TLE be scored more points than the number of starters. This changes RRS 35 and A5.

### 16. PROTESTS

- 16.1 Protest forms shall be submitted online or in writing within the protest time limit. Forms available on Regatta Network online or at the sailing shed located on the NE corner of the property.
- 16.2 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC signal vessel docks and sounds a horn following the last race of the day.
- 16.3 In addition to the requirements of the RRS 61.1 (a), a boat intending to protest must so indicate by hail acknowledged by the race committee immediately after finishing.
- 16.4 Protest notices shall be posted on Regatta Network with a paper copy at the sailing shed within fifteen (15) minutes of the end of protest time to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and hearing location.



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### **17. SCORING**

- 17.1 The Low-Point Scoring System of Appendix A, RRS A4 will be used.
- 17.2 When fewer than six races have been completed a boat's score will be the total of her race scores
- 17.3 When six or more races have been scored, a boat's score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst race, subject to the provisions of RRS 90.3.
- 17.4 Five races must be completed to constitute a championship

### **18. SAFETY**

- 18.1 Each boat shall check in before the warning of their first race sailed each day by sailing past the stern of the race committee signal vessel and hailing her sail number until acknowledged. This requirement will also apply when a boat returns to the racing area after having gone ashore between races.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible and receive acknowledgement
- 18.3 Personal flotation devices shall be worn by competitors while racing.
- 18.4 Trash may be placed aboard support or official vessels between races. Competitors' gear will not be accepted by support or official vessels.
- 18.5 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

### **19. AWARDS**

The top three boats will receive awards.  
Stephen McDonough Sr. Award (Sportsmanship)  
Anchor Award (Skipper who sails all races and finishes with the highest score)  
Stein Award (National Senior Champion).  
Other awards will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### **20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 20.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority accepts no liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

### **21 MEDIA CONSENT**

By entering the Championship competitors accept that they may be photographed and/or video-taped participating in the race and/or using the Championship



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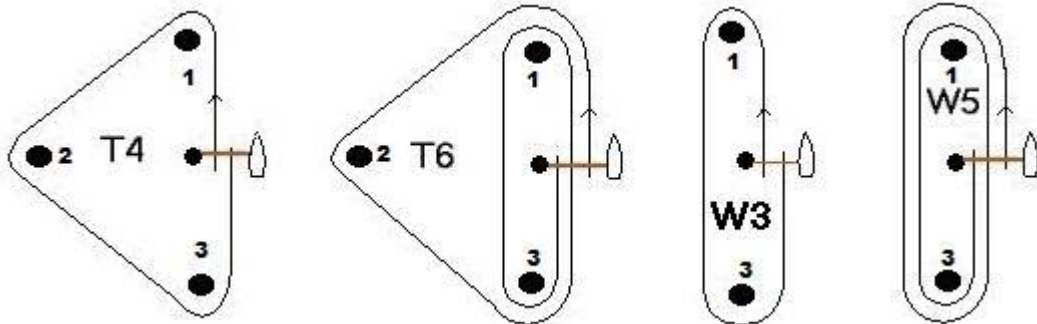
facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use, reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not, without compensation and without the competitors approval of such images or any use thereof.

### 22. FUNDAMENTAL RULES

22.1 By participating in a race conducted under these rules, each competitor and boat owner agrees:

- a. To be governed by the rules;
- b. To accept the penalties imposed and other action taken under the rules, subject to the appeal and review procedures provided in them, as the final determination of any matter arising under the rules, and
- c. With respect to such a determination, not to resort to any court of law or tribunal.

**COURSE DIAGRAMS: Be sure that you sail the correct number of legs.**



Sailing Order: S-1-2-3-F

S-1-2-3-1-3-F

S-1-3-F

S-1-3-1-3-F

S=Start F=Finish

Tides at Roosevelt Inlet:

Times are local EDT. Tidal current is *significant* in the racing area especially the ebb. The ebb tide flows from the Roosevelt Inlet towards the large rock breakwaters near Cape Henlopen.

Saturday 08/19/23

1118 High

1723 Low

Sunday 08/20/23

1155 High

1803 Low