2024 Colorado Governors Cup Regatta



October 12-13, 2024 Sailing Instructions

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Sailing Instructions means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SI's) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes **RRS 60.1(a).**

1. RULES:

- 1.1 This event is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), 2021-2024.
- 1.2 SI 5.2 Changes Race Signals AP
- 1.3 SI 11.4 Changes RRS62.1(a)
- 1.4 SI 12.1 Changes RRS 33
- 1.5 SI 13.3 Changes RRS 28.2
- 1.6 SI 15.3 Changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 1.7 SI 15.4 Changes RRS 62.1 (a)
- 1.8 **SI 18.3 Changes RRS 35**
- 1.9 SI 18.5 Modifies RRS 41

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 2.1 Any change in these Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0900 or after the Competitor's Meeting on the day it will take effect. Any change in the Schedule of Races shall be posted before 2100 hours the day before the change is to take effect.
- In accordance with RRS 90.2(c), oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be made on the water. When the Race Committee (RC) Signal boat displays code flag 'L' with one sound signal. This means "come within hail" of the RC boat to receive the oral changes to the Sailing Instructions.

3. **COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS:**

- Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on the www.csyc.org website and on the Regatta Notice Board located the north side of the Chatfield Marina building on or before 9:00 am on Oct 12th.
- 3.2 On the water, the RC intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.3 The following communications may be made by the Race Committee on VHF channel 68: Starting Sequences, Schedules, and Safety information
- 3.4 [DP]While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT:

4.1 [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from Race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- **5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the RC boat while at dock.
- When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP. This changes Race Signals AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES:

Saturday October 12, 2023

10:00 - Skippers meeting in the Chatfield Marina building.

12:00 – First Warning signal for the first race

4:00 - No warning signal after 4:00

Sunday October 13, 2023

10:30 - First Warning signal for the first race

3:30 – No warning signal after 3:30

7. CLASS FLAGS:

- **7.1** Classes and their class flags will be announced at the skippers meeting Saturday morning. Classes and their class flags will be posted following the skippers meeting Saturday morning
- **8. RACING AREA:** The racing area is described in SI addendum A.

9. COURSES:

- 9.1 Courses will be designated in the sequence that the marks are to be rounded. Courses will be designated by black letters on a white course board mounted on the RC Signal Boat.
- **9.2** All rounding marks are left to port.

10. MARKS:

- **10.1** Seven permanent marks are designated with a number from 1 to 8.
- **10.2** The marks are labeled and are white barrels with an orange stripe and approximately placed as shown on SI Addendum A.
- 10.3 The RC may choose to deploy an offset mark. That mark may be a spherical orange or white ball.
- 10.4 The RC may choose to deploy additional Race marks. These marks may be a spherical orange or white ball. These marks will be reported on the Course Board as W (windward), or L (Leeward).

11. THE START:

- **11.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS Rule 26.
- 11.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the starting pin.
- **11.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 11.4 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the RC may attempt to hail her sail number or bow number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.5 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE: The RC may change the remaining course that begins at a rounding mark by changing the position of the next mark(s) or by changing which mark(s) to round, by signaling with a "C" flag and posting the new marks to be rounded. This changes RRS 33.

12 THE FINISH:

- **12.1** A separate Race Committee Finish Boat may be used to take all finishes.
- **12.2** The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag and the Finish mark
- **12.3** Protesting boats must inform the RC Finish Boat of their intention immediately upon finishing, if not verbally notifying the RC previously.
- **12.4** Boats on a leg of the course and which are not finishing shall not sail through the finish line. The line shall rank as an obstruction for them. The marks, denoting the ends of the line, bound legs of the course; the

required sides are outside the line. Violation of this instruction is not correctable by rule 28.2 (string rule); this changes **RRS 28.2**.

- **12.4.1 Exceptions:** A boat may cross the start or finish line to comply with RRS 29.1 (OCS), RRS 30.1 ("I" Flag), RRS 31 (touching a mark) or the definition of finish in order to start or finish properly under the RRS or to comply with RRS 14 (avoiding contact).
- **12.4.2 Penalty:** The RC may protest violations as in RRS 60.2 & 61.1(b). A 20% scoring penalty (RRS 44.3(c)) shall apply for each violation, but a boat so penalized shall not be scored worse than did not finish.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM:

13.1 Appendix V will be in effect.

14 TIME LIMITS:

- **14.1** The time limit for any race is 90 minutes.
- 14.2 The Race will be abandoned if no boat from a fleet finishes within 90 minutes of its start signal.
- 14.3 The Finishing Window shall be 30 minutes. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 14.4 Failure to meet the Time Limit will not be grounds for Redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

15 HEARING REQUESTS:

- **15.1** The protest limit time is 1 hour after the RC Signal Boat returns to dock.
- 15.2 Request for Hearing forms are available from the RC or at the Officials table in the Marina building.
- **15.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Marina building, beginning at the first available time.
- 15.4 Appendix T "Arbitration" of the RRS shall be in effect for this regatta. Pre-hearing/arbitration will be available to all parties in protest. Protests may be resolved in pre-hearing by both parties if a penalized boat accepts a 40% scoring penalty, rounded to the next lower place. The penalized boat may not be scored worse than DNF. The full Protest Committee will hear unresolved pre-hearings.

16 SCORING:

- **16.1** The scoring system is the Low Point Scoring System.
- **16.2** One (1) Race shall constitute a regatta.
- 16.3 There will be one throw out after 6 races are raced. A DSQ and DNE are not eligible to be thrown out.
- **16.4** Appendix A 4.2 is modified as follows:

DNS, OCS, DSQ, RET, RAF = number of starters +1

DNC = number of registered boats

DNF, NSC, TLE = number of finishers + 1

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS:

- **17.1. CHECK-IN:** Boats shall check-in on the water each race day, while the RC is flying the code "L" flag, by sailing by RC Signal Boat on starboard tack and hailing sail number, bow number, and number of souls on board.
- **17.2.** Boats leaving the race area before finishing their last race of the day shall notify the Race Committee in person at the Committee boat or on VHF channel 68 and rebroadcast until they have received an acknowledgement from the Race Committee.
- **17.3.** Any boat failing to check-in before racing will be scored DNC. This changes **RRS 35**.

- **17.4.** Any boat failing to check-out before racing has ended, may be assessed a penalty by the protest Committee [DP].
- **17.5.** RRS 41 is modified by adding 41(e): Help to recover a crew member from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return is at the approximate location of the recovery.

18. LAUNCHING AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS:

- **18.1.** Each boat shall undergo a free Aquatics Nuisance inspection before launching and after retrieval. Chatfield utilizes ramp launching only. The ramps are very long and can accommodate large fin-keeled boats with the use of extensions such as webbed straps. Participants are required to bring their own strap for launching.
- **18.2.** Dolly launched dinghies can be beach launched in Roxborough Cove. This Cove is east of the main marina ramp. Roxborough Cove is indicated on the course chart. Overnight parking is allowed in Roxborough Cove.

19. PRIZES:

- **19.1.** Trophies will be awarded by Fleet (number will depend on number of fleet entries).
- **19.2.** The perpetual trophy for each division of the Colorado Governors Cup shall be awarded per the Deed of Gift for the Colorado Governors Cup, to the boat with the lowest cup score as determined below:

Total points for all races (no throw outs) in the Regatta for each boat divided by the number of boats registered in that boat's fleet yields the Cup score.

If there is a Cup Score tie between two or more boats, each boat's race scores shall be listed in order of best to worst, and at the first point(s) where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favor of the boat(s) with the best race score(s). This procedure will be discontinued at the point where any remaining participant to the tie runs out of scores due to fleets completing different numbers of races. All parties to any remaining tie will be recognized as cup winners.

- 19.3 A gross breach of good manners or sportsmanship displayed by a skipper or his crew shall be grounds for immediate exclusion for contention for the Colorado Governor's Cup.
- 19.4 You must be a current member of the Sailing Association of Intermountain Lakes to be eligible for either the Colorado Governors Cup perpetual Trophy or the Colorado Governor's Cup Dinghy Perpetual Trophy.

20 RISK STATEMENT:

20.1 RRS 3 states: 'The Responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

CHATFIELD STATE PARK

NORTH



Mark 0 (RC) 39° 32.8318 105° 4.3162

Mark 1 39* 32.9150 105* 3.1930

Mark 2 39° 33.2609 105° 3.4525 Mark 3 39' 33.3293 105' 3.9409

Mark 4 39" 33.1957 105" 4.3242

Mark 5 39* 32.7388 105* 4.6757 Mark 6 39° 32.1414 105° 4.7214

Mark 7 39° 32.4383 105° 4.4519

Mark 8 39° 32.5617 105° 4.2414