

U S J/22 Class Association
2012 North American Championship Regatta
September 9 - 12 — Tawas Bay — East Tawas, Michigan
Sanctioned by - U S J22 Class Association (USJ22CA)
Hosted by - Tawas Bay Yacht Club & J22 Fleet 44
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES —

- 1.1 - The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 - The United States Sailing Association (USSailing) prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 - Boats shall display bow numbers provided by the Organizing Authority in accordance with the instructions provided with the numbers.

2 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS — Notices to competitors will be posted on the official J22 Notice Board located inside the Tawas Bay Yacht Club entrance.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS — Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0800 hrs on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE —

- 4.1 - Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flag pole located at the harbor entrance.
- 4.2 - When AP is displayed on shore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes." This changes RRS Race Signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES —

DAY/DATE	EVENT	TIME	LOCATION /COMMENT
Sunday/9th	Practice Race	1400 hrs	
Monday/10th	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs	
Tuesday/11th	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs	
Wednesday/12th	First Warning Signal	1100 hrs	No warning past 1600 hrs

- 5.1 Three (3) races are scheduled each day with a fourth (4th) if necessary. If a fourth (4th) race is planned, the 2nd Substitute Flag will be displayed while boats are finishing the third (3rd) race of that day.

6 CLASS FLAG — will be a white flag with the J22 insignia.

7 RACING AREA — will be .5 to 1.5 nm WNW of Tawas Bay Yacht Club as shown in Attachment A.

8 CHECK IN — All competitors shall check in prior to the first warning signal of each day by sailing past the stern of the RC signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their BOW #.

9 THE COURSES — (see Attachments B & C)

- 9.1 - Courses will be four (4) or five (5) leg Windward/Leewards..
- 9.2 - All marks shall be left to port, except —
 - a - the finish mark on the four (4) leg course which shall be left to starboard .
 - b - boats shall sail between marks LG & RG from the direction of the previous mark and round either mark.
- 9.3 - Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.
- 9.4 - One (1) minute prior to the warning signal, the RC will post the number of legs and the approximate compass bearing to the first mark accompanied by a series of short horn blasts.

10 MARKS —

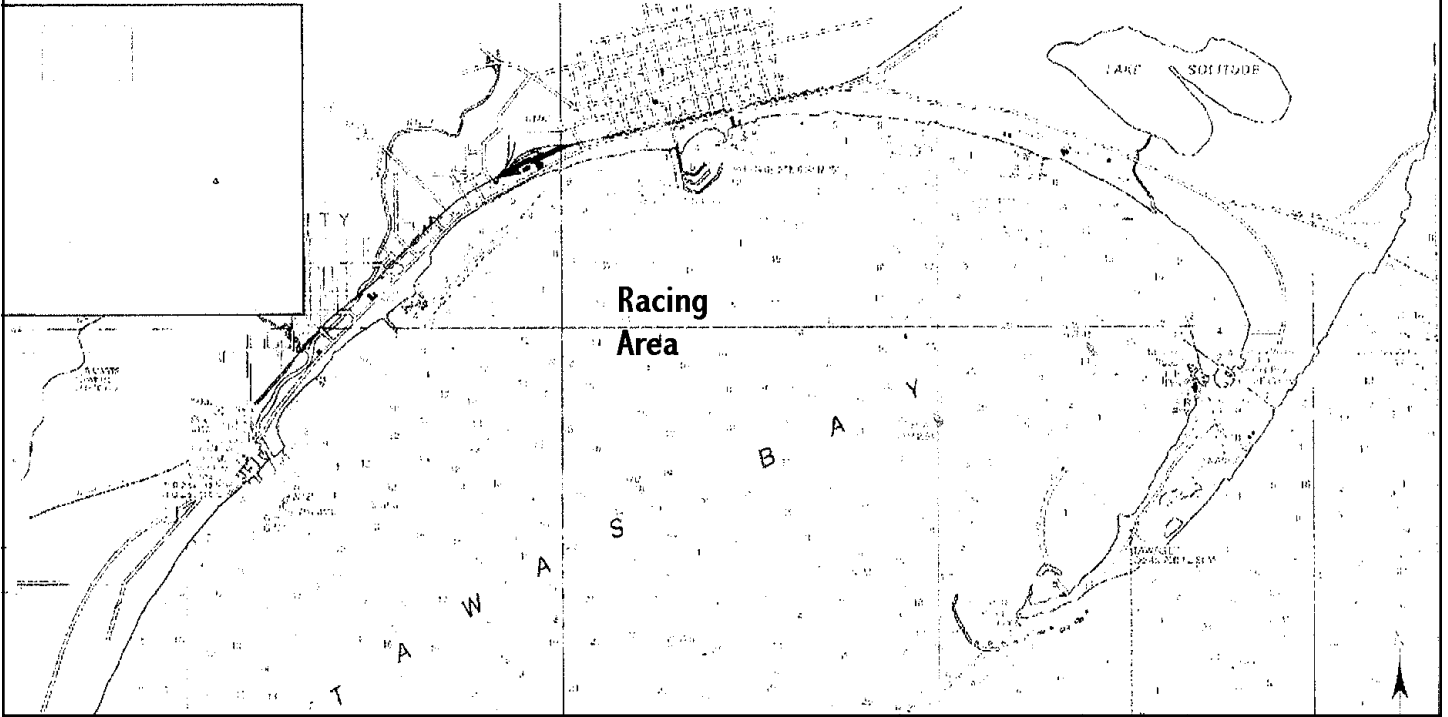
- 10.1 - Primary marks W, LG and RG will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 10.2 - Mark Os (offset) will be an orange ball.
- 10.3 - The start mark will be an orange inflatable.
- 10.4 - The finish mark will be a yellow inflatable
- 10.4 - New marks, as provided in SI 12, will be yellow balls.

11 THE START —

- 11.1 - The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of an orange inflatable buoy at the port end.
- 11.2 - If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line (OCS) and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her bow and/or sail number on VHF Channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately or in any order will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

- 12 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.
- 13 THE FINISH** — The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and the course side of the finishing mark. See Attachments B and C for locations.
- 14 TIME LIMITS** —
- 14.1 - If no boat has passed Mark 1 in 45 minutes the race will be abandoned.
 - 14.2 - The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be two hours.
 - 14.3 - Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) and scored as in SI 16.3 without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.
- 15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS** —
- 15.1 - The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the RC Signal Boat docks after the last race of the day or after the RC has determined there will be no more racing on that day. This time will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
 - 15.2 - Protests forms will be available at the Race Office located in the TBYC. Protests and Requests for Redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
 - 15.3 - The race committee will post a notice of penalties being assigned by the race committee prior to the end of the protest time limit. The deadline for requesting redress based on this notice will be thirty (30) minutes after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.
 - 15.4 - Notices will be posted no later than thirty (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 TBYC "Quiet Room", beginning immediately following this posting.
 - 15.5 - On the last scheduled day of racing 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) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
 - 15.6 - On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 16 SCORING** —
- 16.1 - Nine (9) races are scheduled and four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 16.2a - When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - b - When six (6) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - 16.3 - Boats that are scored DNF or RAF will receive one more point than the last boat to sail the course and finish in that race. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 17 SAFETY REGULATIONS** — A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT** —
- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the jury. In case of an emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.
 - 18.2 Competitors must use the same boat, measured equipment and only one suit of sails throughout the entire regatta unless the item is so severely damaged as to make it unusable. All requests to replace damaged equipment must be submitted to the jury in writing and all replacement items shall be required to pass measurement.
- 19 SUPPORT BOATS** — Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall not be in the racing area from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement will be the disqualification of all boats associated with the support personnel who do so.
- 20 TRASH DISPOSAL** — Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.
- 21 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** — Boats may not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the jury.
- 22 RADIO COMMUNICATION** —
- 22.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also includes mobile telephones.
 - 22.2 The race committee may attempt to provide information on VHF channel 72.
- 23 PRIZES** — will be awarded to the top ten skippers and crew.
- 24 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** — Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

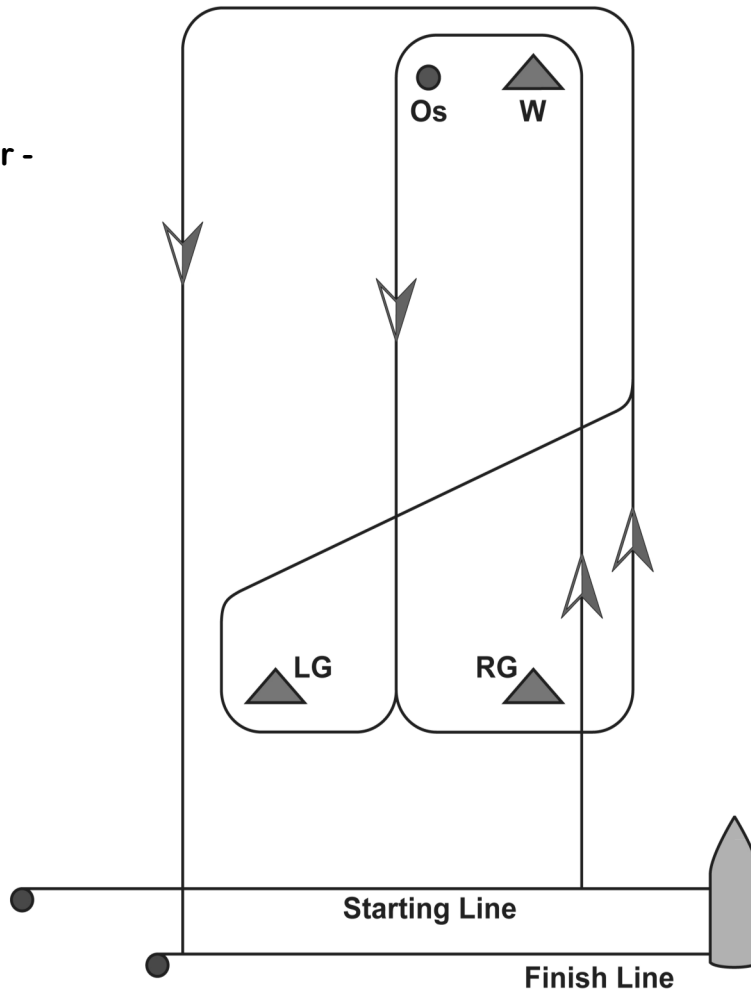
Attachment A—Racing Area



Attachment B — Four Leg Windward/Leeward Course Diagram

- Rounding Order -

- Start
- W
- Os
- LG or RG
- W
- Os
- Finish



Attachment C — Five Leg Windward/Leeward Course Diagram

- Rounding Order -

Start
W
Os
LG or RG
W
Os
LG or RG
Finish

