

CLEVELAND RACE WEEK – ONE DESIGN REGATTA

June 13 – June 15, 2014

Edgewater Yacht Club, Cleveland OH

J70 Great Lakes Championship, Tartan 10 Lake Erie Championship

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 US prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.3 US Sailing prescription Appendix T, Sections A and C will apply.
- 1.4 RRS 63.7 is replaced by: "If there is a conflict between a rule in the notice of race and one in the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall apply."

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located on the Edgewater Yacht Club ("EWYC") patio.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole north of the EWYC patio.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 45 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled for the following days:
 - Thursday June 19th (Evening Race)
 - Friday June 20th (Evening Race)
 - Saturday June 21st
 - Sunday June 22nd
- 5.2 There are nine (9) races scheduled. There will be no more than four (4) races each day.
- 5.3 The scheduled time of the initial warning signal for the first race each day is:
 - Thursday June 19th 18:55
 - Friday June 20th 18:55
 - Saturday June 21st 09:55
 - Sunday June 22nd 09:55
- 5.4 No race shall be started after 14:00 on Sunday June 22nd.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags for Saturday/Sunday will be numeral pennants as shown in Exhibit "A" (attached). Class flags for Thursday and Friday evening races will differ and will be included on the course sheet.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 Racing will take place on multiple courses in the open waters of Lake Erie immediately North of Edgewater Yacht Club. A diagram showing the approximate location of each racing circle is published on the Official Notice Board.

8. THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses for Thursday 19th and Friday 20th will be published on the official notice board and available at the 18:00 Skipper's Meeting each evening prior to racing.
- 8.2 The diagram attached as Exhibit "B" show the courses for Saturday and Sunday, including the approximate angle between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.3 If a gate has not been set for the leeward mark, boats are to leave the single leeward mark to port.
- 8.4 No later than the Preparatory signal, the Race Committee shall display the course designation and an approximate compass bearing of the first leg. The compass bearing may be rounded to the nearest ten (10) degrees and rounded to two digits (e.g. "23" for 230 degrees). This changes RRS 27.1.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks for Thursday and Friday include the EWYC Fixed Marks, other Government Marks, and marks set by the Race Committee as shown on the course sheet for the evening.
- 9.2 Marks for Saturday and Sunday are as follows:
 - Windward and leeward marks will be orange tetrahedrons or cylinders.
 - Start and Finish marks will be yellow tetrahedrons or cylinders.
 - Change marks will be yellow tetrahedrons or cylinders.

10. THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

11. CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 Before a Start: To change the first leg of a course prior to the start, the Race Committee will display Code Flag C with multiple sounds prior to the warning signal of the next class to start. The change of the first leg of the course will apply to all classes that have not started. This changes RRS 33(b).
- 11.2 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. This changes RRS 33(b).

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 For Thursday and Friday, the finishing line will be as designated in the course sheet.
- 12.2 For Saturday and Sunday, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal boat and the course side of the nearby finish mark.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 The US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix T, Section C, T3 (Informing the Race Committee) and T4 (Changes in Hearing Procedures) shall apply.
- 13.2 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 For Thursday and Friday:
 - 14.1.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within thirty (30) minutes of the start, or if no boat finishes within one-hundred and twenty (120) minutes of the start, the race shall be abandoned. Failure to meet the time limits will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
 - 14.1.2 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes of the first boat in their division, or within forty-five (45) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

14.2 For Saturday and Sunday:

- 14.2.1 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within thirty (30) minutes of the start, or if no boat finishes within ninety (90) minutes of the start, the race shall be abandoned. Failure to meet the time limits will not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
- 14.2.2 Boats failing to finish within fifteen (15) minutes after the first boat of their division sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident in the racing area that she is involved in or sees shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after she finishes, inform the race committee at the finishing line of her intent to protest or request redress and, when applicable, the identity of the protestee.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the Protest and Scoring Review desk in the EWYC Main Room. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the designated representative of the Protest Committee within the protest time limit.
- 15.3 For Thursday and Friday, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the protesting boat finishes the race, or their racing time limit expires (see 14.1 above), whichever is sooner. For Saturday and Sunday, the protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee boat for the protesting boat's course docks.
- 15.4 The Race Committee will post the protest time limit and a list of RC actions (if any), including boats given starting penalties, on the official notice board after docking. The deadline for filing a request for redress based on this posting is thirty (30) minutes after the posting time noted on the RC Actions form, or at the posted protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15.5 Breaches of SI 10.2, 17, 18.1, 19, or any Class Rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 15.6 Protests will be heard by the Protest Committee based upon the schedule established by the Protest Committee Chairperson at his/her sole discretion. Hearing schedules shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 15.7 Redress requests based on posted race scores or protest results shall be submitted to the protest committee no later than thirty (30) minutes after the results were posted. This changes RRS 62.

- 15.8 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.9 Protests that will have no bearing on the awarding of prizes may, at the protest committee's discretion, be postponed until after the awards.
- 15.10 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This change RRS A2.

17. SAFETY (CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT)

- 17.1 At least five (5) minutes prior to the first warning signal of the day, each boat intending to race shall check-in with the Race Committee Signal boat by hailing their sail number and class until acknowledged by the Race Committee.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race or leaves the race area between races shall notify the race committee by hail or VHF radio as soon as possible. A boat unable to notify the Race Committee shall inform the gas dock upon returning to shore.
- 17.3 Failure to correctly check in (17.1) or provide notice of retirement or leaving the race area (17.2) may result in a protest by the Race Committee.

18. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19. OTHER RESTRICTIONS

- 19.1 Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.
- 19.2 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 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 applies to mobile telephones.
- 20.2 All communications with the Race Committee shall be on the VHF channel designated for each race circle as follows:
 - Circle 1 Channel 69
 - Circle 2 Channel 71
- 20.3 Communications between the Race Committee that may be overheard by a competitor shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

20.4 The Race Committee may use VHF or Loud Hailer to communicate information including the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS sail numbers, General Recalls and Postponements. Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to include a bow/sail number or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

21. PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be given for first through third places overall, plus daily awards as determined by the organizing authority. Other prizes may be offered at the discretion of the organizing authority.

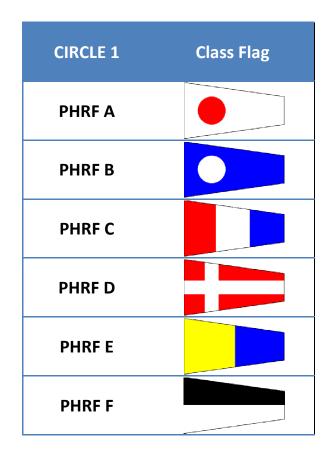
22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

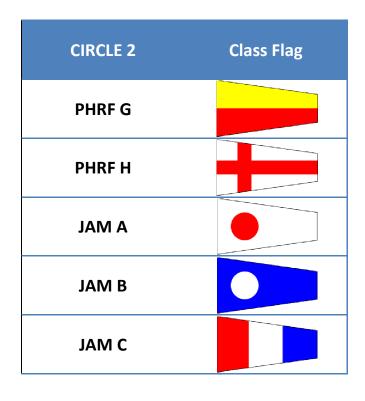
- 22.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors and coaches participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 22.2 The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor or coach agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

23. INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance as required by the organizing authority.

EXHIBIT "A" – Class Flags for Saturday/Sunday



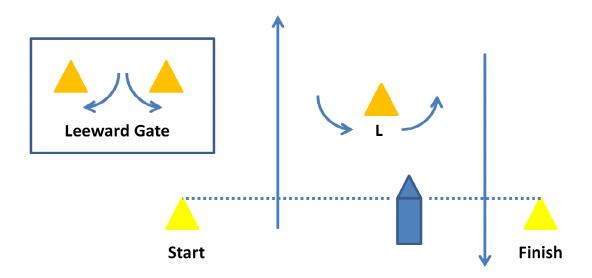


NOTE: These class flags are in effect for Saturday and Sunday only. Please refer to the course sheets for class flags by start for the Thursday and Friday evening races.

EXHIBIT "B" – Course Diagram(s)

Course "A"

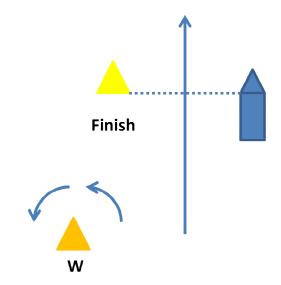


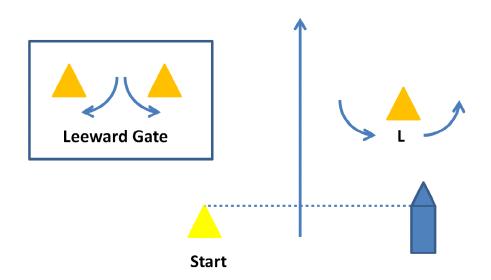


Mark Sequence:

Start – W – L – W – Finish

Course "B"

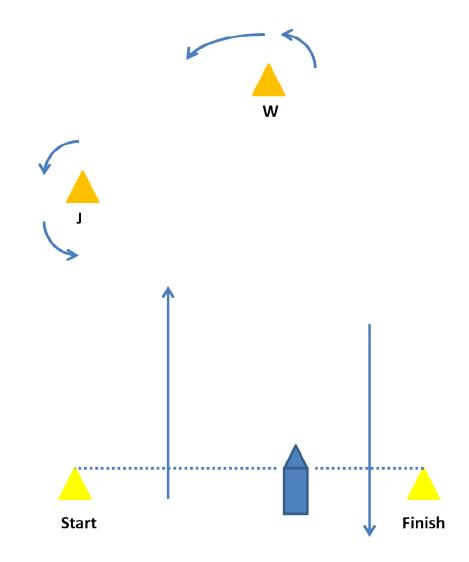




Mark Sequence:

Start -W-L-W-L-Finish

Course "C"



Mark Sequence:

Start – W – J – Finish