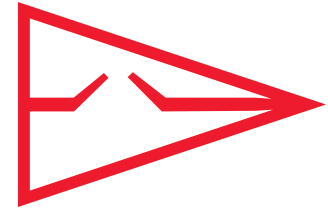




J/70 Fall Brawl

Hosted by Eastport Yacht Club
Annapolis, MD

October 25-26, 2014



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the J/70 Class Rules.

2 ENTRIES

The regatta is open to competitors racing J/70s. Eligible crews may enter by completing registration with the organizing authority and paying the entry fee prior to 1900 hours on October 24, 2014.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located outside, near the ground floor rear entryway doors and “Sparky’s Shed” on the Eastport Yacht Club (EYC) grounds.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the EYC flagpole, located on the waterside of the clubhouse.

5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 The schedule of events is:

Fri, October 24	1900	Competitors meeting at EYC
Sat, October 25	0930	Rendezvous
	1030	Warning signal for first race
		Subsequent races as signaled by the Race Committee
Sun, October 26	0900	Rendezvous
	1000	Warning signal for first race
		Subsequent races as signaled by the Race Committee
		NO Warning Signal after 1400
	1700	Awards ceremony

- 6.2 Competitors shall rendezvous in the vicinity of Annapolis Harbor Channel Lighted Buoy R2 (FL R 2.5s).
- 6.3 Subsequent races will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race.
- 6.4 One (1) race constitutes a series.
- 6.5 Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. A boat's worst score will be discarded if five (5) or more races are sailed. This changes RRS A2.
- 7 CLASS FLAGS**
The J/70 class flag will be the "J/70" flag, a white flag with a red J/70 logo.
- 8 RACING AREA**
The racing area, shown in Attachment 1, will be the Chesapeake Bay off the mouth of the Severn River.
- 9 CHECK IN**
All contestants shall check in by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee (RC) Signal Boat prior to their first race of the day, hail their sail number, and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 10 COURSES**
- 10.1 The diagrams in Attachment 2 show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. If only one Gate mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to Port.
- 10.2 The courses will be windward leeward courses. No later than the Warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the course to be sailed with the appropriate numeral pennant.
- 10.3 No later than the Warning signal, the RC signal boat will display the approximate distance in nautical miles and the magnetic compass bearing to the first windward mark.
- 11 MARKS**
- 11.1 Marks 1, 2a and 2b will be orange cylinders.
- 11.2 If a change of course is signaled, the new marks as provided in Change of the Next Leg of the Course (Section 12), will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 11.3 The windward offset mark will be a small orange cylinder.
- 11.4 The starting and finishing marks will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 12 CHANGES TO 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 START**
- 13.1 Races will be started using RRS 26 with the following addition: An attention signal consisting of a series of short horn blasts will be given approximately one (1) minute before the Warning signal of each race.
- 13.2 A boat starting later than five (5) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.1.
- 13.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end and either the course side of the port end starting mark or a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat at the port end.

14 RECALLS

The Race Committee intends to hail the recall or sail numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal on VHF channel 73. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 41 and 62.1.

15 THE FINISH

Unless the course is shortened, the finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue "On Station" flag on an RC boat and the course side of the designated finish mark.

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is replaced by: "A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty:

- (a) at the time of the incident, by taking a Two Turns Penalty in accordance with RRS 44.2.
- (b) after racing and before the start of a protest hearing involving the incident, by taking a 40% Scoring Penalty. However, if the boat caused serious damage or gained significant advantage in the race or series by her breach she shall retire.

17 TIME LIMIT

- 17.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is ninety (90) minutes.
- 17.2 Boats still racing twenty (20) minutes after the first boat finishes, and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing and will be assigned scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two (2) points, but not worse than the number of starters. This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A4.2, and A5.

18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the RC finish boat of her intention either by hail or by radio on VHF channel 73. She shall include the sail number of the boat(s) being protested. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 18.2 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the RC signal boat dock time. The list of protests will be posted on the official notice board within fifteen (15) minutes of the end of protest time limit. This posting constitutes the notification required in RRS 61.1b and 63.2.
- 18.3 Breaches of instructions 9, 17, 18.1, 19, and 23 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.
- 18.4 Protest forms will be available at the jury desk and shall be filed in writing at the jury desk at race headquarters.
- 18.5 Hearings will begin as soon as possible after racing each day. Protest notices will be posted and will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The parties and their witnesses shall remain in the area of the protest hearings.
- 18.6 When the RC or Protest Committee protests a boat, the requirements of RRS 61.1(b) to notify the boat may be met by posting a list of protested boats on the Official Notice Board and the Protest Board before the end of the Protest Time Limit.
- 18.7 On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered within the protest time if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the

previous day or no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

19 SAFETY

- 19.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible either by hail or on VHF channel 73.
- 19.2 A boat may not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The US Coast Guard, ship captains, and bay pilots have been encouraged to report any incident they observe.
- 19.3 The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for SI 19.2 based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

20 SCORING

- 20.1 The Low Point scoring system will apply.
- 20.2 Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. A boat's worst score will be discarded if five (5) or more races are sailed.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions, other than communicating with the Race Committee on VHF channel 73, while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 21.2 RRS 41 (outside assistance) is modified such that monitoring VHF weather channels or Race Committee communications on VHF channel 73 does not break RRS 41.

22 DISPOSAL OF TRASH

Boats observed purposefully discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified from all races sailed on the day the infraction is observed, or be subject to other suitable disciplinary action or both.

23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

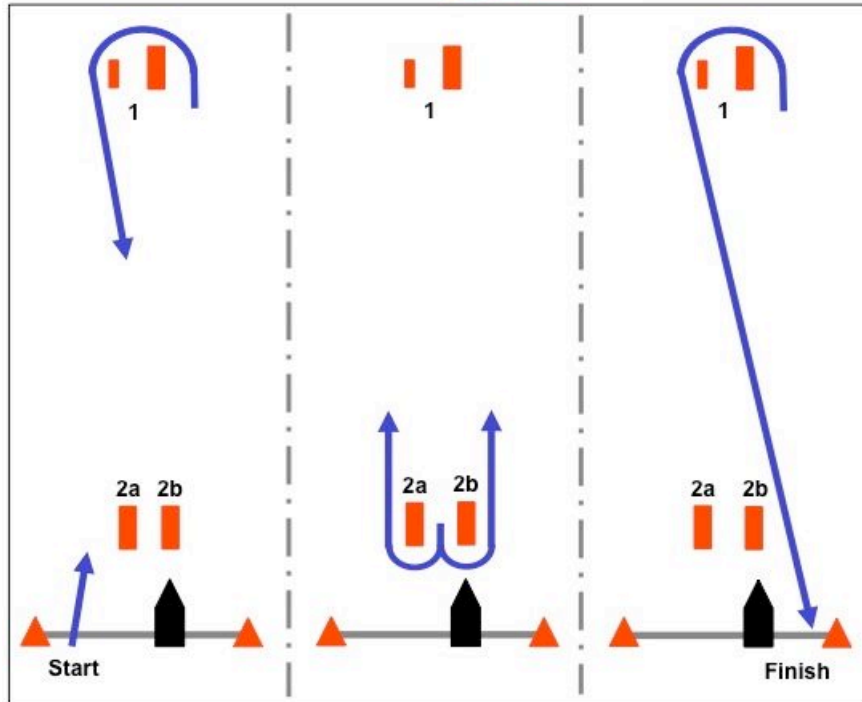
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, the IJCA or any other party involved in the organization of the regatta will not accept any responsibility or liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustain in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24 INSURANCE

Each boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.

Attachment 2

Course "4" 



Course "5" 

