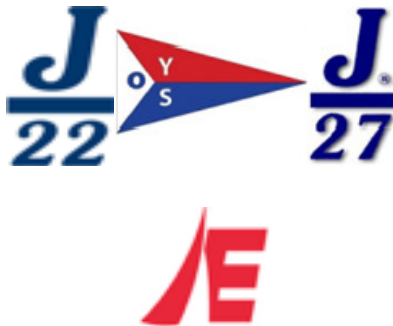


**OAKVILLE YACHT SQUADRON REGATTA  
J27 NORTH AMERICANS REGATTA  
J22 CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA  
ETCHELLS LAKE ONTARIO CHAMPIONSHIP**

**August 6-9, 2015**



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## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Oakville Yacht Squadron is the Organizing Authority for this regatta.

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply and will be posted on the Official Notice Board located just inside northeast corner of the main clubhouse. The Sail Canada prescriptions can also be found at [http://www.sailcanada.ca/racing/rules\\_and\\_regatta\\_management/racing\\_rules\\_of\\_sailing](http://www.sailcanada.ca/racing/rules_and_regatta_management/racing_rules_of_sailing).
- 1.3 One Design class rules shall apply.
- 1.4 Should there be a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall apply.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the northeast corner of the south clubhouse.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the official flagpole on the Oakville Yacht Squadron (OYS) lawn.
- 4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal "AP".

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The schedule of racing is as follows:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Class</b>	<b>Competitors Meeting</b>	<b>Warning Signal</b>
Friday, August 7 <sup>th</sup>	J27	0930	1100
Saturday, August 8 <sup>th</sup>	All Fleets	0930	1100
Sunday, August 9 <sup>th</sup>	All Fleets	n/a	1000

Competitor's Meeting will be held on the lawn south of the Oakville Yacht Squadron flag pole.

No Warning Signal will be made after 1400 on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

5.2 As many races as practically possible will be run each day. The total number of races held may vary by fleet.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS / START ORDER

6.1 J27 class, the Etchells Class and the J22 Class will sail on the Alpha course under their respective class flags.

6.2 Courses, divisions, class flags and starting order for Bravo course will be posted as an addendum to the SI's on the Official Notice Board before 0900 on August 8<sup>th</sup>, and will be announced at the Competitors' meeting.

## 7 RACING AREAS

7.1 The Alpha Course is located approximately 2.2 nm on a bearing of approximately 190 degrees magnetic from the entrance of the Oakville Harbour.

7.2 The Bravo Course is located approximately 2.0 nm on a bearing of approximately 160 degrees magnetic from the entrance of the Oakville Harbour.

## 8 THE COURSE

8.1 The course will be set out according to the diagram provided in Attachment A. The course will be sailed twice around unless shortened by the race committee.

8.2 The marks will be passed in the following order:

Start, 1, 1a, 2 or 3 (gate), 1, 1a, Finish

## 9 MARKS

9.1 The marks of the courses will be as follows:

	Start	1	1a	2	3	Finish	Change of Course Mark
Alpha	Orange inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Red inflatable	Green inflatable
Bravo	Red inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Yellow inflatable	Orange inflatable	Green inflatable

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 11.1 as noted in 9.1.

- 9.3 In the event of a change of course after the start, only a new windward mark will be laid. There will **NOT** be a new offset mark (1a).

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 The starting line will be between the staff displaying an Orange Flag on the signal boat and the start mark located at the port end of the start line.
- 10.2 At the starting line, the Race Committee(R/C) may place a Distance Mark adjacent to the Committee Boat. Boats shall not pass between the Distance Mark and the Committee Boat.
- 10.3 A competitor whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4 The Race Committee will not accept reports of intent to start via VHF radio.
- 10.5 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes Rule A4.
- 10.6 Individual recalls will comply with Rule 29.1. The Race Committee may announce via the applicable VHF channel the sail number or boat name of each premature starter. The failure to announce or the order in which boats are announced shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1.
- 10.7 General Recalls: when a General Recall has been signaled, class(es) shall restart after the final scheduled start in the original start sequence. This changes Rule 29.2.
- 10.8 If flag U has been displayed as the preparatory signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew, or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing but not if the race is restarted or resailed or postponed or abandoned before the start signal. This changes rule 26.
- 10.9 The Warning Signal for subsequent races will be made as soon as possible after the last boat in each division has finished the previous race.

## **11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 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 the original mark.
- 11.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

## **12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES:**

- 12.1 The time limit to reach the first mark is 30 minutes.
- 12.2 The time limit for each race will be 1-1/2 hours.
- 12.3 Any boat not finishing within 30 minutes after the first yacht in her division to finish, will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rule 35, A4, and A5.
- 12.4 Failure to meet the time limits and target times will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the finish mark.
- 13.2 If the Race Committee does not plan to run another race, it will fly Code Flag H at the finish.

## **14 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:**

- 14.1 Protest forms will be available at the Sailing Office located in the main clubhouse. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.2 For each course, the protest time limit is 60 minutes of the docking of the R/C boat for their course.
- 14.3 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 on the second floor of the north clubhouse.
- 14.4 Breaches of instructions 10.4, 15.0, and 17 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. The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under this instruction will be DPI.

- 14.5 RRS 62.2 and 66 are changed to provide that on Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, requests for redress and request to reopen a hearing must be filed no later than 30 minutes after the time that final results are posted.

## **15 ARBITRATION:**

- 15.1 For a protest between two boats alleging a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing.
- 15.2 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 protest room on the second floor of the north clubhouse, beginning at the time posted.
- 15.2 One representative from each boat will appear before an arbitrator.
- 15.3 After hearing testimony from each party, the arbitrator shall reach one of the following conclusions:
- (a) There was no breach of a rule. If the protestor(s) agrees, the protest is withdrawn and cannot be reopened.
  - (b) There was a breach of a rule. If the offending boat(s) agree, a 40% penalty will be imposed and no further hearing will occur.
  - (c) The matter should go to protest committee for a full hearing.

This changes Part 5, Section B of the RRS.

## **16 BOW ANCHORS**

All anchors will be removed from the bow while boats are racing.

## **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 One (1) race will constitute a series.
- 17.2
- a) For all PHRF fleets, when fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races;
  - b) When from five (5) to seven (7) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score;
  - d) For the J27 North American Championship, when seven (7) or less races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her races;
  - e) For the J27 North American Championship when eight (8) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score;
  - f) For the J27 North American Championship when nine (9) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of race scores excluding her worst two scores.
  - g) For the J22 Canadian Championships and Etchells Lake Ontario Championship when five (5) have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her scores.
  - h) For the J22 Canadian Championships and Etchells Lake Ontario Championship when six (6) or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.3 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat shall complete a scoring inquiry form available from the Sailing Office.

## **18 SAFETY**

- 18.1 On the water each competitor must check in (and hail sail number) with the race committee signal boat and ensure that they have been acknowledged before the warning signal of the first start.
- 18.2 A boat that leaves the race area or retires from a race, before the end of racing for the day, shall notify a race official as soon as possible.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Competitors with VHF radios are encouraged to monitor:

- Alpha Course - Channel 71.
- Bravo Course - Channel 72.
- Dock Master - Channel 68.

**20 PRIZES**

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place for each fleet.
- 20.2 The J/27 North American Trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest series score in the J27 fleet.
- 20.3 The J22 Canadian Championship award will be awarded to the boat with the lowest series score in the fleet.
- 20.4 The Etchells Lake Ontario Championship trophy will be awarded to the boat with the lowest series score in the Etchells fleet.

**21 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.

**22 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$2,000,000 for Canadian boats and \$350,000 USD for US boats.

