



2023 Charity Cup Regatta – Supporting St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital

Organizing Authority: The Cleveland Yachting Club

July 29 & 30, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – FIXED MARKS COURSE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Event is governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), and the class rules for any one-design class for which a separate starting class or fleet has been established.
- 1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.3 Under RRS 87, Rule 16 of the Rules and By-laws of the South Shore Performance Handicap Racing Fleet, Rule 5 of the T-10 Class Rules, and Rule 7.1 of the J/105 Class Association Rules will not apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND INFORMATION MEETING(S)

- 2.1 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official Notice Board located near the Center Isle.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Except for instructions 3.2 and 3.3 below, any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than two (2) hours prior to the first scheduled race on the day it shall take effect.
- 3.2 Any change to the location of a racing area shall be posted before 0900 on the day it will apply.
- 3.3 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by the later of 1800 or the protest time limit on the day before it will take effect.

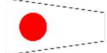



4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from the flagpole located south of the CYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in race signal AP. *This changes race signals AP*
- 4.3 The RRS Race Signals section “AP over a numeral pennant 1-9” is deleted in its entirety.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 A total of four (4) races are scheduled for the Event, except that two (2) races are scheduled for the cruising class.
- 5.2 Back-to-back races are scheduled for both Saturday and Sunday.
- 5.3 The warning for the first race of each day will be at 1055.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 1330 on the last scheduled day of racing.

6 CLASS FLAGS AND INITIAL ORDER OF START

R-Class Code flag #1 	JAM A Code flag #2 	JAM B Code flag #3 	Cruising Code flag #0  0 zero
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7 RACING AREA

- 7.1 The starting area is located at approximately 350° and 1.2 nautical miles from the Rocky River outer light.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 **R- Class and JAM:** The courses may include marks 'A' through 'H' and 'S'. (See Illustration 1). The diagrams in Illustration 1 show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed.. Placards will be hung from the rear of the Race Committee Boat. The top letter will designate the first mark of the course. The bottom number will designate the course to be sailed.
- 8.2 **Cruising Class:** A letter placard will be hung from the rear of the Race Committee Boat indicating the first mark. Upon leaving the first mark to Port the remaining marks will be passed to port in descending (counter clockwise) order until the original mark has been left to port for the second time from there proceed to the finish. [Example:A = START(S)>A->H->G->F->E->D->C->B->A->FINISH(S)]
- 8.3 **START/FINISH LINE RESTRICTION:** Boats shall not cross the start/finish line except for when starting, finishing, or using 'S' mark as a mark of the race course (Courses 3, 5, 10, 12, 14, 20, and 21). The penalty for violation shall be disqualification.

9 THE MARKS

- 9.1 The racing marks are vertical marks with alternating red and white stripes capped with the letter of the mark.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the start mark as described in Illustration 1.
- 10.2 The order of starts for the first race of each day is the order shown in paragraph 6, above. After the first race, the RC may start the classes in any order.
- 10.3 The RC may start two or more classes together, including for the first start of each day.
- 10.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area for other races. [DP][NP]
- 10.5 A boat that does not start within four (4) minutes of her starting signal shall be scored DNS (Did Not Start) without a hearing. *This changes rules A4 and A5.*
- 10.6 **Cruising Class Only:** boats may start anytime within the 5 minutes (the "five minute period") after the starting signal without penalty. The actual start and finish times will be recorded by the RC. Any boat starting later than 5 minutes after the starting gun will be scored DNS (Did Not Start) without a hearing. *This changes rules A4 and A5.*
- 10.7 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 will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF channel for competitor communication as noted in instruction 20.1. Failure to make a broadcast, the order of sail numbers called, or the time of the broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11 COURSE CHANGES

- 11.1 The Race Committee may signal a change of course in accordance with RRS Rule 33, at any rounding mark and before any boat begins the changed leg, by displaying Code Flag 'C', the course number (if no course number is shown the course remains as it was displayed at the start), the next mark, and the numeral pennant of the class, or classes, whose course is being changed. If there is no numeral pennant flown, the change is applicable to all classes.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1 Boats finishing shall finish between the Race Committee boat and the start/finish mark from the direction of the last mark, unless otherwise noted in changes to the Sailing Instructions.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 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 Except for the cruising class, if no boat in a class has reached the first mark within one hour, the race shall be abandoned for that class.
- 14.2 Except for the cruising class, if no boat in a class has sailed the course and finished within the time limit indicated in the course table, the race shall be abandoned for that class.
- 14.3 Except for the cruising class, a boat or boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes after the first boat in her class sailed the course and finished will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A4.1, A5 and A11.*
- 14.4 For the cruising class only, the time limit for all boats to sail the course and finish is three (3) hours.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 RRS 61.1(a) is changed so that "A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee finish boat of her intention as soon as possible after finishing, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested until acknowledged by the Race Committee.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at race headquarters Center Isle. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there to a Judge or the Jury Secretary at the Judges Table within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 For each class, the protest time limit is one (1) hour after the RC signal vessel for their course area docks after the last race of the day or the RC signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 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 shall be held inside the main Clubhouse, beginning at the time posted on the official notice board. All parties to Protest Meetings shall meet at the Judges Table 10 minutes prior to their scheduled meeting time; Protest Meetings that do not have all Parties present at its start shall move to the end of scheduled Protest Meetings.
- 15.5 Protests by the RC, Technical Committee (TC) or Protest Committee (PC) shall be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than thirty (30) minutes after the decision was posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*
- 15.7 If the RC posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP, UFD, BFD or TLE on the official notice board before the protest time limit, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one (1) hour after the after the penalties are posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

16 SCORING

- 16.1 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute an Event.
- 16.2 Boats scored TLE in accordance with SI 14.3 will receive points equal to the number of boats in her class finishing within the Time Limit as described in SI 14.1 plus one (1) point.
- 16.3 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores (no "throw out"). *This changes RRS A2.*
- 16.4 Questions regarding scoring or a boat's rating may be resolved by the proper filing of a Scoring Inquiry Form which shall be available at the Judges table. If the resolution of the scoring issue proves unsatisfactory, the boat may request redress under RRS 62, subject to the time limits in paragraph 15.6.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 **Check-In** - All boats shall check-in with the Race Committee boat displaying the "L" flag on their assigned race area at least five minutes before the first warning signal of the day. Each boat shall sail past the committee boat on starboard tack and hail her class and sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee. [DP][NP]
- 17.2 **Retirement** - A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible. [DP][NP]

18 LAUNCH, HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS AND TRAILER STORAGE

- 18.1 With the exception of Stars, once launched, no boat boats shall be hauled out of the water until after the last race Sunday, except for emergencies, without prior written authorization from the RC. [DP]

