



**YOUNGSTOWN YACHT CLUB
JULY 23 – 24, 2016**

**J/70 GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP
JULY 22, 23, 24, 2016**

**TRIPP 26 GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1** The Regatta shall be governed by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 - 2016, the prescriptions of US Sailing and the rules of each Class concerned, except as any of these are modified by the Notice of Race, and by the Sailing Instructions (and any amendments thereto).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the YYC Regatta Office entrance.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1** Any onshore 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 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2** On the water oral changes to the sailing instructions will be announced on the assigned VHF channel for that course, 5 to 10 minutes before the warning signal of the first race for which the change will be in effect. Code flag Lima will be displayed before and during the announcement.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole adjacent to the Youngstown Yacht Club clubhouse.
- 4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1** Racing for the Tripp 26 and J70 Great Lakes Championship competitors will be on Friday, July 22, Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24. Racing for all other classes will be on Saturday, July 23 and Sunday, July 24. It is the intent of the Organizing Authority and the Race Committee to run as many races as practical on each day of racing up to a maximum of eight (8) races for the event, except the Tripp 26, J70 and 8 Metre Classes. The Tripp 26 and J70 Classes which will have a maximum of twelve (12) races for the event. The 8 Metre Class will have a maximum of 3 races on Saturday, July 23 and a maximum of 2 races on Sunday, July 24.
- 5.2** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first start of the first race each day will be made at 1000 hrs.
- 5.3** On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.

6 CLASS FLAGS and COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

- 6.1** Class flags, course assignments and designated course VHF channels for Friday, July 22, 2016 racing only will be posted on the official notice board before 1900 on July 21, 2016.
- 6.2** Class flags, course assignments and designated course VHF channels for the July 23 and July 24 racing will be posted on the official notice board before 1900 on July 22, 2016. The J70 and Tripp 26 classes may have new class flags, course assignments and designated course VHF channels for races sailed on July 23 and July 24.

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment A shows the location of four race areas and courses:

- RCR Yachts Course A
- Merrill Lynch Course B
- Quantum Sails Rochester Course C
- Elderwood Course D

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1** The diagrams in Attachment B show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed, approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3** The Offset Mark (offset) used in conjunction with the courses described in this section will be set at approximately a right angle to the windward legs of the course and approximately 50 to 100 yards from mark 1.
- 8.4** When code flag G is flown, mark 2 and 2s will be a gate under rule 28.2 (c).

9 MARKS

- 9.1** Inflatable marks will be used for all courses. Details of the marks to be used on July 22 only will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to 2200 on July 21, 2016.
- 9.2** Details of the marks to be used on July 23 and July 24 will be posted on the official notice board before 1900 on July 22, 2016.

10 THE START

- 10.1** Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. The timing of the warning signal for those classes following the first class to start will vary by depending wind conditions, the sailing characteristics of the boats racing and/or the need to adjust the starting line. The race committee will attempt to broadcast its intentions over the designated VHF channel.
- 10.2** Replace ‘class’ with numerical start assignment in RRS 26. This modifies rule RRS 26.
- 10.3** Numerical start assignment flags will be the corresponding international code flags.
- 10.4** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.5** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.6** A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

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.
- 11.2** If the windward marks (Mark 1 and offset) are changed they may or may not be replaced by a single mark.

12 THE FINISH

- 12.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1** For all classes, except the 8 Metres, the Two-Turns Penalty (rules 44.1 and 44.2) shall apply. For the 8 Metres, the 20% percentage scoring Penalty (rule 44.3) shall apply. For all classes except 8 Meters, the first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: “A boat may take a One Turn Penalty when it 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, Rule 44.3 scoring penalty shall not apply.
- 13.2** For all classes US Sailing Prescription Appendix T, Sections B (Post-Race Penalties) and D (Arbitration) apply.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 Time limits are as follows:

The time limit for all classes is 2 hours. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 40 minutes the race will be abandoned. This changes rule 62.1(a).

Boats failing to finish within 45 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.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

15.2 For each class, the completed protest forms shall be submitted to the Jury Secretary within 45 minutes of the docking of the Race Committee finish boat for the class involved (the “protest time limit”).

15.3 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. Notice will contain protest room and time of hearing.

15.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

15.6 Breaches of instructions 10.5, 18.1, 19, 20, 21 and 22 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.

15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.

15.8 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 rule 62.2.

16 ARBITRATION

16.1 US Sailing Prescription Appendix T, Section D (Arbitration) will apply. Forms to accept a post-race penalty are available from, and completed forms may be submitted to, the Jury Secretary located at the Regatta Office.

17 SCORING

17.1 The low-point scoring system, rule A4 shall apply, and is modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no scores discarded.

17.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee. This changes RRS A4.2, A5 and A11.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

There are no restrictions on hauling boats during the regatta that use the crane hoist. Hoist and trailer accommodations on Saturday July 25th are limited and haul-outs will be first come, first served. All other boats may be hauled during the regatta only with written permission of the Race Committee.

20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

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.

21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

21.1 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.

21.2 The race committee may communicate information on the VHF channel assigned to her course. Failure to make these communications or the sequence in which they are made shall not be ground for redress.

22 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the boats placing first, second and third overall in each class for the Regatta in classes with 8 or more competitors. In all other classes prizes will be awarded to the boats placing first, second. An overall perpetual prize will be awarded to the winning country, Canada or USA, will be based on the overall score using the high point system for the top American and Canadian finisher in each class.

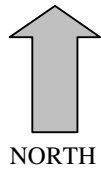
23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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.

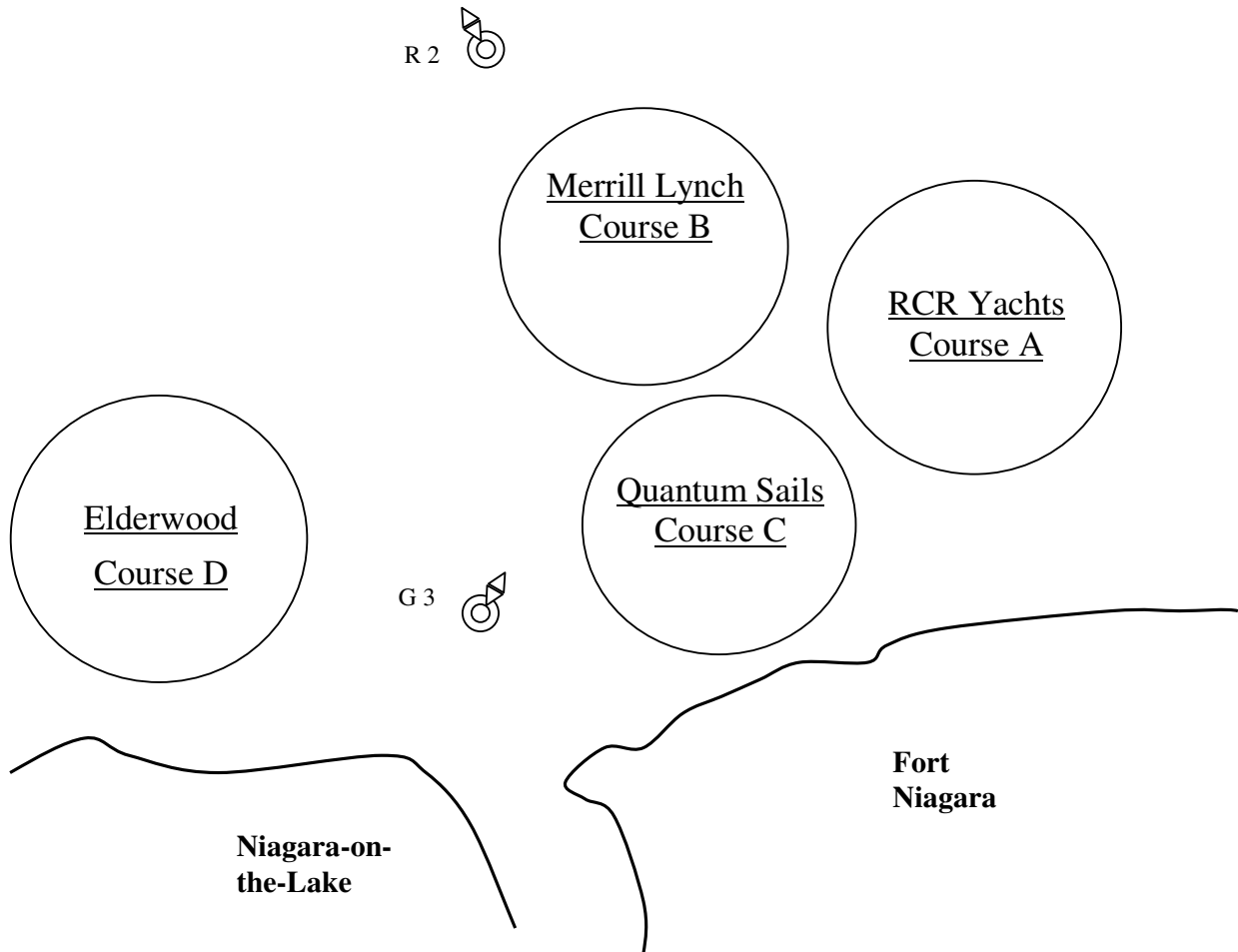
24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

ATTACHMENT A
RACE AREAS

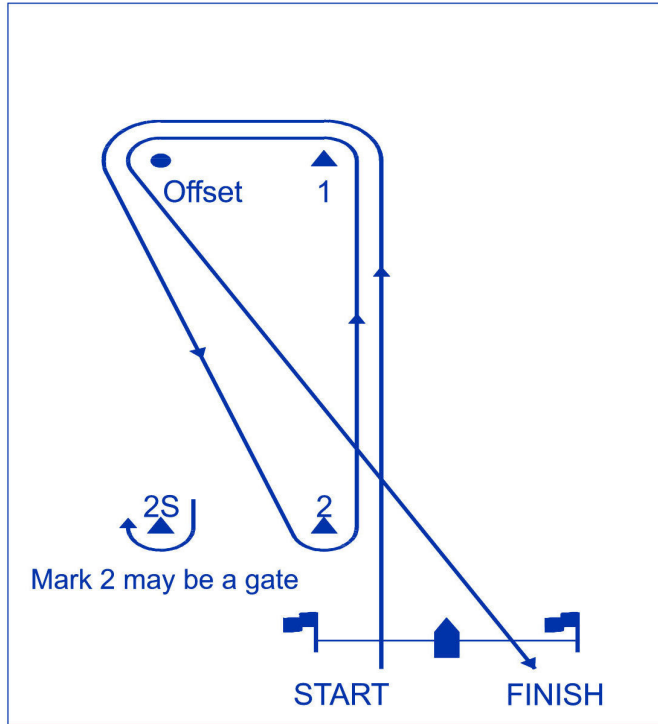


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**ATTACHMENT B
COURSE DIAGRAMS**

Course #4: Four Legs - Downwind Finish



Course #5: Five Legs - Upwind Finish

