

**2010 T-Ten  
NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA  
August 4 – 8, 2010  
Sailing Instructions**

Organizing Authorities: Bayview Yacht Club  
The T-Ten Class Association  
The T-Ten Detroit Fleet

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), The T-10 Class One Design Rules and Amendments dated 9/15/08, The T-Ten Class Association North American Championship Regulations dated 6/18/07 (except as any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions) and these Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.
- 1.2 This Regatta is classified as an ISAF Category A event.
- 1.3 Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Championship Committee. The question, and any answer thereto, will be posted on the Bayview Yacht Club Official Notice Board - which is located in the Mackinac banquet room.

**2 ENTRIES – REGISTRATION - MEASUREMENT**

- 2.1 Only T-Ten Class yachts, as described in The T-10 Class One Design Rules may enter this Regatta.
- 2.2 All entrants must comply with the requirements of The T-Ten Class North American Championship Regulations.
- 2.3 All entrants must complete the appropriate registration forms and pay in full all entry fees.

**3 BOW NUMBERS**

- 3.1 At the time of registration a bow number will be assigned to each yacht.
- 3.2 The assigned bow numbers shall be attached to both sides of the yacht's hull approximately 8" to 10" below the deck level, with the leading edge approximately 10" to 12" aft of the bow.
- 3.3 A yacht failing to display bow numbers may be subject to disqualification or some lesser penalty at the discretion of the Judges Committee.

**4 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

Notice to competitors will be posted on the Bayview Yacht Club Official Notice Board - which is located in the Mackinac banquet room.

**5 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 08:00 EDT on the Official Notice Board on the date such change(s) shall take effect.

**6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Bayview Yacht Club.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the Racing Signal AP.

**7 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

<u>Race</u>	<u>Day and Date</u>	<u>Time of Warning Signal</u>
Practice Race	Wednesday, August 4, 2010	13:00 EDT
Championship Series	Thursday, August 5, 2010	10:00 EDT
Championship Series	Friday, August 6, 2010	10:00 EDT
Championship Series	Saturday, August 7, 2010	10:00 EDT
Championship Series	Sunday, August 8, 2010	10:00 EDT

- 7.1 All races are conditioned upon time and weather.
- 7.2 No race will be started after 13:00 on Sunday, August 8, 2010.
- 7.3 In general, 3 races per day are scheduled for the first 3 days and 2 races are scheduled for the final day, although at the discretion of the Race Committee the number of races each day can be increased or decreased depending upon the conditions and/or whether a sufficient number of races have been completed to constitute a series.

**8 RACING AREA**

Racing will take place on the waters of Lake St. Clair in a circle located a distance of approximately 3.0 nm at a compass bearing of approximately 090 degrees from the rear range light located near Peche Island.

**9 THE COURSES – WINDWARD/LEEWARD COURSE**

- 9.1 Windward/leeward courses will be used during this Regatta.
- 9.2 An offset mark (**Mark 1A**) will be used at the weather mark, placed at approximately a right angle to the first leg of the course, and approximately 50 yards from **Mark 1**. **Mark 1** and **Mark 1A** shall be rounded to port.
- 9.3 A leeward gate will be used for each race. The gate will be located slightly to windward of the Race Committee Signal Boat. Yachts shall sail between **Mark 2S** and **Mark 2P** from the direction of the last mark and shall round either **Mark 2S** to starboard or **Mark 2P** to port. The leeward gate has no significance on the first leg of the course. If the course calls for a downwind finish, the leeward gate has no significance on the last leg of the course.
- 9.4 The length of the course will be shown on a placard on the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat. The minimum length of a leg on the course shall be 1.0 nautical miles. Prior to the warning signal, the Race Committee will hoist a numeral pennant which will designate the number of legs in the race.
- 9.5 Prior to the warning signal, the Race Committee will display the approximate compass bearing to **Mark 1**.

## 10 MARKS

- 10.1 **Mark 1, Mark 2P, Mark 2S** will be orange tetrahedrons. **Mark 1A** will be a red ball.
- 10.2 New marks when used in accordance with paragraph 14 **CHANGE OF COURSE** will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- 10.3 In the event there are multiple changes of course the marks used will alternate between orange – yellow – orange – etc...

## 11 CHECKING IN

Before the warning signal of the first race of the day, each yacht shall sail on STARBOARD TACK, past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat and hail her bow number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

## 12 THE START

- 12.1 Races will be started by using RRS rule 26.
- 12.2 The start line shall be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and an orange tetrahedron located to port of the Race Committee Signal Boat.

## 13 RECALLS

- 13.1 Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS rule 29.1.

13.2 In the event an individual recall is signaled, the Race Committee may attempt to broadcast the bow number of each recalled yacht on VHF Channel 72. However, the following are not grounds for redress: failure of Race Committee to hail any or all yachts; failure of the Race Committee to accurately hail one or more yachts; failure of a yacht to receive or hear its hail; timeliness of the hail; or the order of yachts within the hail. It is the responsibility of each yacht to start properly.

13.3 General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS rule 29.2.

## **14 CHANGE OF COURSE**

14.1 A change of course after the start will be signaled in accordance with RRS rule 33 by displaying a new course to the new mark.

14.2 The new mark will be a yellow tetrahedron. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.

14.3 In the event there are multiple changes of course, the marks used will alternate between orange – yellow – orange – etc...

14.4 In the event of a change in course the new mark may not necessarily be in place at the time boats have rounded the mark indicating the change.

## **15 THE FINISH**

15.1 When the course calls for a downwind finish, the finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee's Signal Boat and an orange tetrahedron located to the starboard of the Race Committee's Signal Boat.

15.2 When the course calls for an upwind finish the finish line will be between **Mark 1** and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat anchored to the starboard of **Mark 1**.

15.3 When a course is shortened at a leeward gate, a Race Committee boat will remove one of the gate marks and the yachts shall then finish by sailing through the line formed between the Race Committee boat displaying Code Flag S and the remaining gate mark.

## **16 TIME LIMIT**

16.1 A race in which no yacht has reached the first weather mark within one hour shall be abandoned.

16.2 A race in which no yacht has finished the race within 3 hours shall be abandoned.

16.3 In any race after the first boat has finished all other boats have one hour to finish. Boats that have not finished within that hour will be scored DNF.

16.4 Any yacht which retires from a race prior to finishing shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the race course area either in person or via VHF Radio, Channel 72.

## 17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) shall be used.
- 17.2 Four races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 There will be no throw-out races. Each yachts series score will be the sum of the score for all races sailed. This changes RRS Appendix A2.

## 18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 18.1 Protests (or a Request for Redress) shall be on written forms which shall be available in the Bayview Yacht Club in the Mackinac banquet room, and filed with the Judges Committee within the Protest Time Limit.
- 18.2 The protest time limit will begin at the time the Race Committee disbands the finish line of the last race of the day and shall terminate 120 minutes thereafter, except that the time limit will similarly be 60 minutes for the final race of the series, if known as such.
- 18.3 Protest time limits will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 18.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
  - (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.This changes RRS rule 66.
- 18.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based upon a Judges Committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS rule 62.2.
- 18.6 If the Race Committee posts a list of boats scored OCS, ZFP or BFD 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 hour after the protest time limit. This changes the first sentence of RRS rule 62.2
- 18.7 Shortly after the expiration of the Protest Time Limit notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties and/or named witnesses.
- 18.8 Protest/Redress hearings will be held in the Bayview Yacht Club.
- 18.9 Notice of a protest filed by the Race Committee or a protest filed by the Judges Committee will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 18.10 The penalty for any infringement of the T-Ten Class One Design Rules or the T-Ten Class North American Championship Regulations will be at the sole discretion of the Judges Committee.

## **19 CREW AND EQUIPMENT CHANGES**

- 19.1 Any changes in the pre-registered crew list shall be approved by the Judges Committee or the Championship Committee.
- 19.2 Replacement equipment, including sails, shall be approved by the Championship Committee.

## **20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision of Race. The Organizing Authorities 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.

## **21 SUPPORT BOATS**

- 21.1 When racing, yachts shall not receive outside assistance that is not available to all competitors.
- 21.2 Competitors may not have any contact or communication with support boats after reaching the starting area for the first race of the day until after they are finished racing for the day.
- 21.3 Yachts infringing this rule may be subject to disqualification or some lesser penalty at the discretion of the Judges Committee.

## **22 RADIO EQUIPMENT**

- 22.1 A yacht shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive a special radio communication, which is not available to all yachts, while racing. This restriction applies to mobile telephones.
- 22.2 The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 72 for OCS hails and for general fleet announcements. Yachts shall use VHF Channel 72 for any communications with the Race Committee.
- 22.3 Any communication between the Race Committee personnel, which may be overheard by competitors, shall not be grounds for redress or protest.

## **23 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

- 23.1 All competing yachts shall be afloat by 21:00 EDT on August 4, 2010.
- 23.2 Once afloat no yacht shall be hauled out except as provided by Article 14.5 of the T-10 North American Championship Regulations.

## **24 PLASTIC POOLS AND DIVING EQUIPMENT**

- 24.1 Underwater breathing apparatus, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used during the Regatta.

**25 CAREENING**

- 25.1 Careening by any means for the purposes of cleaning or inspecting a yacht's hull is prohibited. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keel hauling using ropes or cloth.

**26 AWARDS**

- 26.1 Overall awards will be given to each yacht placing first through fifth in the Regatta. Daily awards will be given to each yacht placing first through third. Perpetual awards will also be given.