

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR I.S.C.Y.R.A EVENTS

These Sailing Instructions have been set up in accordance with the "Rules Governing Star Class Events and Racing" of the ISCYRA, the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and should be used for all Sanctioned Events of the Star Class for Continental Championships (Silver Events). These instructions will be reviewed periodically by the Regatta Management Committee of the ISCYRA.

For Silver Events, these Sailing Instructions must be used. Any changes shall be approved by the Regatta Management Committee.

1Rules:

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as any of these are modified by the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto. *If there are changes to the Notice of Race, note changes where appropriate.*

RRS Appendix P will apply. RRS Appendix P is changed to permit the hail to a protested boat to be either sail number or bow number. RRS Appendix P is changed as per STCR 35.4.

2Notices to Competitors:

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at _____. *Enter location of Notice Board.*

3Crew Weight:

Crews must comply with class rule 31.1.3 at all times. During the series spot weight controls will be carried out. Ten percent (10%) of the crews of every race will be weighed each day before the protest time limit expires. Crews found to be in violation of the rule shall be subject to disqualification from any race sailed on the day of the violation. This change RRS 63.1 and A5. *Please state procedure for notification of competitors and location of scale.*

4Changes in the Sailing Instructions:

Changes in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Jury and the Organizing Authority and will be posted before 0900 hours of the day they 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.

5Signals Ashore:

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed _____. *Insert location of flag pole.*

5.2 Code flag "AP" when displayed ashore means that the start has been postponed. The Warning Signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after the lowering of the signal.

6Schedule:

6.1 *Schedule of Races; Insert the exact dates, races.*

6.2 The Race Committee may change the schedule. No more than ___ races per day may be sailed as per STCR 34.3.7 Format _____. *For Silver Events See STCR 27.2.*

6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is _____.

6.4 No warning signal will be made after _____ on _____. *Give time and date of last day of racing.*

7Class Flag:

The Class Flags shall be _____. *State which flag will be used as the class flag.*

8Racing Area:

The racing area will be _____.

Specify racing area.

9Course:

9.1 Course "0", Course "1", Course "3", or Course "4", STCR 34.3, Format _____, STCR 34.3.7 may be used. The Race Committee signal boat will display the appropriate numeral pennant (or the course number by placard) to indicate the course. *Any format other than Format A must be approved by the Regatta Management Committee and the C.M.C.*

9.2 The approximate compass bearing from Mark 3 (or Marks 3S and 3P) to Mark 1 will be displayed on the Race Committee signal boat prior to or with the Warning Signal.

9.3 The courses will not be shortened, this changes RRS 32

9.4 Legs of the course will not be changed after the Preparatory Signal, this changes RRS 33.

10Marks:

10.1 Except as provided for in SI 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, 10.5, and 14 marks will be _____. *Describe Marks.*

10.2 A new mark, when used in accordance with Sailing Instruction 12, will be identified with a black band. If a new mark is subsequently changed, it will be replaced with a mark without a black band. *It is recommended that the changed marks be the same as described in SI 8.1, but with black bands.*

10.3 If employed, a “leeward gate” will consist of a pair of _____. Boats shall sail between Mark 3S and Mark 3P from the direction of the last mark and pass either Mark 3S to starboard or Mark 3P to port. *It is recommended that the gate consist of marks of a color and shape that differ from those described in SI 8.1.*

10.4 For Courses “3” and “4”, Mark 2 will be _____. It is recommended that the Mark 2 be of a different color and shape than Mark 1.

10.5 At any mark beginning a downwind leg on courses “0”, and “1”, the Race Committee may employ an off-set mark. In that case, boats shall pass Mark 1 to port, and then round the off-set mark to port. *Same description as SI 8.4. It is recommended that offset marks be used with large fleets (but only at the beginning of a downwind leg, not a reach) It is also recommended that the practice should be consistent throughout the event.*

11Check In:

Prior to the first Warning Signal of each race, boats shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat to be recorded. RRS A4.1 is changed to provide that boats not complying with this instruction will receive the same score as a boat not starting without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5. *For reasons of safety, it is recommended that boats be checked in before each race.*

12The Start:

12.1 The starting line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the Race Committee signal boat and _____.

Describe starting buoy. For large fleets, it is recommended that the starting line be formed by two anchored boats from which orange flags are displayed.

OR

The starting line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on Marks A and B and between staffs displaying orange flags on Marks B and C. Mark B may not be in a straight line between Marks A and C. For the purpose of RRS 30, the ends of the starting line are Mark A and Mark C. For the purpose of RRS 30.1, the extensions of the starting line are beyond Mark A and Mark C.

This system is recommended for very large fleets. Course and recall signals should be displayed from all three boats if possible.

12.2 RRS A4 is changed so that a boat not starting within 10 minutes after the Starting Signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.

12.3 The recall number for a boat shall be her bow number. *Replace with Sail number if not using bow numbers.*

12.4 A Race Committee boat displaying Code flag “G” may pass to windward of the fleet in the event of an abandonment, postponement or general recall which means: “The Race Committee has signaled an abandonment, postponement or general recall. Boats are to return to the starting area immediately.”

12.5 A Race Committee boat displaying Code flag “X” positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify premature starters.

12.6 A Race Committee boat displaying a black flag positioned near Mark 1 will attempt to notify boats that have been disqualified in accordance with RRS 30.3. Any boat notified that she has been disqualified shall leave the race course immediately. However, if there are two races scheduled for that day, boats having been disqualified in the first race may stand by in an area outside the race course for the second race.

13Change of Position of the Next Mark:

To change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

14The Finish:

The finishing line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on a Race Committee boat and _____. Describe the finishing buoy. If it will be a race mark (See recommendation SI 12.1 for large fleets) it should be different in color and shape.

15Time Limit:

15.1The time limit will be as described in STCR 34.3.7 Format _____.

15.2RRS 35, A4 and A5 is changed to provide that boats finishing more than 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored "Did Not Finish" without a hearing.

16 Protests:

16.1Protest forms are available in _____. *Enter location of where forms are available.* Protest shall be delivered there within the Protest Time limit.

16.2Protests must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. Protest Time will be posted on the Notice Board. [The same Protest Time limit applies to all protests by the Race Committee and Jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to request redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.]

16.3Notices will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes of the Protest Time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in _____ *Enter location.* at the time posted.

16.4A list of boats that, under instruction 1.3, have acknowledged breaking RRS 42 or have been disqualified by the Jury will be posted before the protest time limit.

16.5Boats recorded on the finishing list as having not started or not finished will be posted on the Notice Board ½ hour before the end of Protest Time. Any boat so notified may request a hearing, which must be in writing and delivered to the Jury's secretary _____ *Enter location of Jury Secretary* within Protest Time.

16.6RRS 62.2 and 66 are changed to provide that, on the last day of racing, requests for redress and requests to reopen a hearing must be lodged within ½ hour of the time final results have been posted.

17Scoring:

17.1The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply; modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with the worst score discarded if more than 4 races are completed. _____ races are scheduled, of which four (4) races shall be completed to constitute a series.

17.2There will be a Master's Division for skippers aged 50 years and over by the start of the first race. Entrants in this division will be competing for both the Masters' Championship and the overall Championship.

18Liability and Safety:

18.1The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.

18.2Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the Race Committee or the _____ as soon as possible. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the _____. *Identify a shore side location. Insert the Yacht Club telephone number.*

19Crew Changes:

19.1Any request for a change of crew must be submitted to the International Jury in writing prior to 0900 hours on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the International Jury grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the Notice Board.

19.2A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

20Team and Private Support Boats:

20.1Coach boats will be required to register with the Organizing Authority.

20.2Coach boats and private spectator boats are expected to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the Race Committee or jury.

20.3Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the Warning Signal until all boats have finished racing.

20.4As per STCR 31.1.4 a yacht shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants

20.5The Penalty for breaking 20.1, 20.2, 20.3 or 20.4 will be at the discretion of the jury up to and including disqualification of all boats associated with the team or private support boat.

21 Haul out Restrictions:

21.1 All boats must be kept at _____ commencing on _____ at _____ hours until the end of the Championship. *Insert location, date and time.*

21.2 Boats assigned even numbered bow numbers must remain in the water on even numbered nights commencing on _____. Boats assigned odd numbered bow numbers must remain in the water on odd numbered nights commencing on _____.

If facilities are sufficient, delete 20.2 and state "All boats shall be afloat from _____ until the end of the regatta. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and in accordance with prior written permission of the International Jury."

22 Radio Communication:

A boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions (including cellular telephone) while racing.

23 Prizes:

23.1 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded in accordance with STCR 24.

23.2 Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew, as follows:

Championship Series - _____.

Daily Races - _____.

Master's Division - _____

List how many places will be awarded prizes.

24 Disclaimer of Liability:

Participants agree that no person or organization involved in the conduct of this Championship will be liable for any accident, injury, fatality, or damage or loss of boat or personal property arising out of a participant's preparation for or participation in any on-the-water or on-shore activities (whether social, recreational, launching, hauling, boat storage or otherwise) associated with the Championship. Nothing in these Sailing Instructions or oral statements by the Organizing Authority, their officers, directors or agents, shall modify or otherwise impair the effect of the Waiver of Liability Form, the execution of which is a condition of entry.