

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). It is recommended that these should be used for District Championships (Blue Events). These instructions will be reviewed periodically by the Regatta Management Committee of the ISCYRA.
For Blue Events, these Sailing Instructions may be used..

1 Rules:

1.1 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.*

2 Notices to Competitors:

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

3 Crew Weight:

3.1 Crews must comply with class rule 31.1.3 at all times. Crews will be weighed prior to the closing of registration and measurement. *Please state procedure for notification of competitors and location of scale.*

4 Changes in the Sailing Instructions:

4.1 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.

5 Signals 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.

6 Schedule:

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 ____.

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.*

7 Class Flag:

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

8 Racing Area:

8.1 The racing area will be _____. *Specify racing area.*

9 Course:

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.

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

10 Marks:

10.1 Except as provided for in SI 10.2, 10.3, 10.4, 10.5, and 14.1 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 10.1, but with black bands.*

10.3 If employed, a “leeward gate” will consist of a pair of _____. *It is recommended that the gate consist of marks of a color and shape that differ from those described in SI 10.1.*

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 set 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 10.4. 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.*

11 Check In:

Prior to the first Warning Signal of the first race a boat sails each day, 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.*

12 The 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.

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

12.4 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.

13 Change of Position of the Next Mark:

13.1 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.

14 The Finish:

14.1 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 it should be different in color and shape.*

15 Time Limit:

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

15.2 RRS 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:

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

16.2 Protests must be delivered within one hour of the Race Committee signal boat docking time. The 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.

16.3 Notices 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.

16.4 Boats 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 limit.

16.6 On the last 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

16.7 On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17 Scoring:

17.1 The Low Point scoring system, RRS Appendix A, will apply. *If there is to be a throw out use the following sentence.* This 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 _____ races shall be completed to constitute a series.

17.2 There 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.

18 Liability and Safety:

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

18.2 Competitors 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.*

19 Crew Changes:

19.1 Any 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.

19.2 A change of helmsman will not be permitted.

20 Team and Private Support Boats:

20.1 Coach 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.

20.2 Team 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.

20.3 The Penalty for breaking 20.1, 20.2, or 20.3 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.*

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.