



Centerport Yacht Club
Centerport, NY 11721
JSA Optimist Area A Regatta
Friday July 31, 2015

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The 2015 Rules for JSA of LIS (JSA) Events will apply.
- 1.3 Rule 60.3 is changed to permit the protest committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes that a competitor may have committed a breach of sportsmanship or the Rules for JSA Events.
- 1.4 Rule 61 will be changed as follows: “Immediately after finishing a race, without consultation with instructors, coaches or spectators, a boat shall notify the race committee finish boat of its protest against another boat and (if possible) provide the sail number or skipper’s name of the protested boat.”
- 1.5 Appendix T, Section B, Post Race Penalties will apply as modified by instruction 15.1: Penalty System
- 1.6 Rule 63 is amended to add: “63.9 The JSA Arbitration Procedure (as described in Appendix C of the 2015 Rules for JSA Events) will apply to protests involving Part 2 rules and the arbitration penalty described in C8 shall be 30%.”

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located at the south end of the Centerport Yacht Club (CYC) front porch.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no fewer than 30 minutes before the harbor start on the day the changes take effect.
- 3.2 Any change in the harbor start or first warning signal will be posted no later than 1800 on the day before the changes take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the CYC main flagpole.

4.2 The harbor start, scheduled for 10:15 AM, will be signaled by a horn sounded by a race committee boat in the vicinity of the CYC dock. No boat shall leave the dock or beach area until the harbor start has been signaled.

4.3 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than forty five (45) minutes' in race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The race committee will run as many races as reasonably possible.

5.2 The racing schedule is as follows:

Time Activity

0800 – 0930	Registration
0930	Skippers meeting
1015	Harbor start
1100	First warning signal

To Be Announced Lunch on the water (not supplied by host)

16:00 No warning signal after this time

As soon as Possible Awards

6. CLASS FLAGS

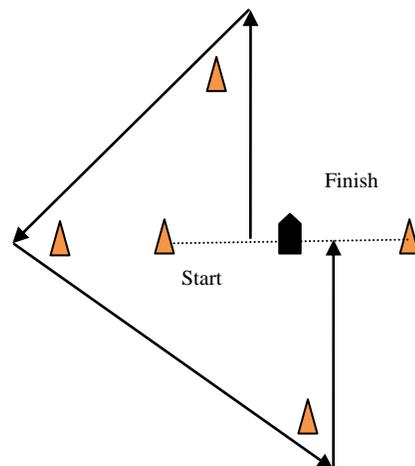
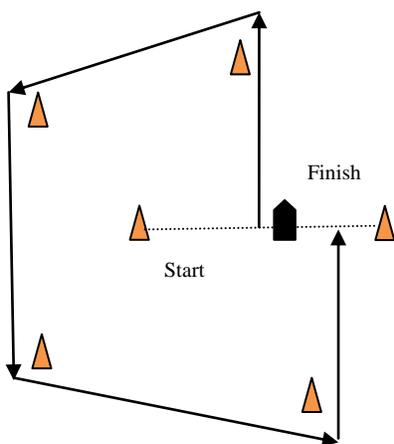
The class flags will be a red flag for the Red Fleet; a blue flag for the Blue Fleet; a white flag for the White Fleet; and a green flag for the Green Fleet. Boats shall display a streamer of the appropriate fleet color from the top of their sprit pole at all times while racing.

7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Northport Bay, which is north of CYC.

8. THE COURSE

The diagrams below show the courses, including the approximate angle between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The course to be sailed will be displayed on a placard (a white capital letter on a red background) on the race committee signal boat.



9. MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be orange inflatables.

9.2 The starting marks will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and a mark or a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the port end.

9.3 The finishing marks will be a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee finish boat at the port end and a small red inflatable buoy at the starboard end or a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat.

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started using Rule 26.

10.2 Appendix S is changed as follows:

- S6 (individual recalls) is deleted and replaced by SI 11 (Recalls of OCS boats)
- S2 (signals): Sound signals shall govern and the following supplemental visual signals (flags) will be used: The class flag(s) will be hoisted with the warning signal and will be dropped at the start. If Rules 30.1 (the “I flag rule”), 30.2 (the “Z flag rule”) and/or 30.3 (the “Black flag rule”) are in effect, the appropriate flag(s) will be displayed with or before the warning signal and will be dropped one minute before the start.

10.3 Classes will start as follows: The Red and Blue fleets will start and race together. The White & Green fleet will each race separately.

10.4 A series of short sounds will be used to call attention just before the warning signal for each start.

10.5 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the port end starting mark or a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat.

10.6 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.7 Additional races may start very soon after each fleet completes the preceding race.

11. RECALLS OF OCS BOATS

11.1 When an individual recall is signaled (“X” Flag and one sound signal), the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of all boats that are OCS. This adds to rule 29.1.

11.2 If code flag “I” and/or “Z,” or the black flag has been displayed, the race committee will attempt to hail the sail number(s) of boats on the course side of the starting line **during the minute** before her starting signal.

11.3 A general recall will be signaled by “First Substitute” flag and two sound signals. After a general recall, a new warning signal will be made one minute after the lowering of the “First Substitute” flag.

11.4 Failure of the race committee's amplification system, the order of the hails, or failure of a boat to hear her number hailed shall not be grounds for a request for redress. This instruction changes 62.1.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finishing boat and the starboard end finishing mark or a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat.

13. TIME LIMITS

13.1 The time limit for the first boat in each class to finish shall be sixty (60) minutes.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within twenty (20) minutes of the first boat in their class to sail the course and finish will be scored TLE (time limit expired) without a hearing. They shall receive points equal to the sum of the number of finishers plus 2 points, but not worse than DNF. (This changes rules 35, A4 and A5)

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Immediately after finishing a race, without consultation with instructors, coaches or spectators, a boat shall notify the race committee boat at the finish of its intention to protest another boat and (if possible) provide the sail number of the protested boat.

14.2 Protest forms are available at the race office located on the CYC front porch. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.3 For each class, the protest time limit is forty five (45) minutes after the race committee signal boat docks which will be posted promptly on the notice board.

14.4 The first sentence of Rule 62.2 is changed as follows: "The request shall be in writing and be delivered to the race office no later than the protest time limit or two hours after the incident, whichever is later, with the following exception : 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."

14.5 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. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located upstairs in the CYC clubhouse as soon as practicable.

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

14.7 The JSA Arbitration Procedure (as described in Appendix C of the 2015 Rules for JSA Events) shall apply to protests involving Part 2 rules. (This changes Rule 63.).

14.8 Protests under sailing instructions 4.2, 6, 16 and 18 may be made only by the race or protest committees.

14.9 Rule 60.3 is changed to permit the protest committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes that a competitor may have committed

a breach of good manners or sportsmanship. A protest committee may call representatives from the Organizing Authority and/or Regatta Committee as witnesses.

14.10 Redress Hearings: Any competitor who may wish to become a party to a scheduled redress hearing, should: 1) check the daily “schedule of protest hearings” that the protest committee will post on the official notice board describing the nature of the redress request and the time of the hearing, and 2) submit a written request to participate in the hearing to the protest committee before it begins.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 A boat may take a Post-Race Penalty by informing the protest committee (not the race committee) in writing upon coming ashore at the end of a day’s racing in accordance with Appendix T Section B. If a protest has been filed regarding the incident for which a boat wants to take a Post-Race Penalty, the protest committee will determine if either an arbitration meeting or protest hearing is required before the Post-Race Penalty can be taken. When it is satisfied that the requirements of rule T2.1 are met, then the protest committee will assign the appropriate scoring penalty based on submission time and give a report to the scorer.

16. SCORING

16.1 At least one race must be completed to constitute a series.

16.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes Rule A2.

16.3 Divisions (i.e. Red, Blue, White and Green fleets) that start together will be scored overall.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 Competitors and instructors are required to wear a properly fastened PFD with whistle attached at all times when on the water or on the dock in accordance with JSA rules.

17.2 Before the first warning signal for each day, all boats shall check in with the race committee by sailing on starboard tack or towing past the stern of the anchored race committee signal boat and hailing their sail number until acknowledged by a committee member. Infractions of this instruction may be protested by the race committee only.

17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee boat before leaving the race area. If this is not possible, the competitor shall notify a regatta representative immediately after arriving ashore.

18. SUPPORT BOATS

18.1 Coaches, support personnel and spectators shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or retired, or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment. Coaching is not permitted after a general recall. Exception for Green fleet only: Coaching is permitted to those boats that are lagging on the course after the start. This rule will be strictly enforced.

18.2 Coaches and support personnel are required to monitor the race committee VHF channel and follow any safety instructions issued by the race committee. The VHF channel to be used will be identified at the instructors' meeting.

19. TRASH DISPOSAL

Boats shall comply with rule 55. Trash may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications of any kind. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and any other wireless devices.

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