
	<p><b>High School Keelboat Invite Qualifier Regatta Chicago Yacht Club October 3 -4, 2015 Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL USA</b></p> <p><b>SAILING INSTRUCTIONS</b></p>	
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## **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Official Procedural Rules for Interscholastic Sailing Competition and the MISSA By-laws and District Rules will apply.
- 1.3 Rule T4 will apply.
- 1.4 Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship in accordance with instruction 5 and Addendum B. Competitors may not protest for a breach in Addendum B. This changes rule 60.1(a)

## **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located on the second floor of the Sailing Activity Center located at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

## **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the schedule will be posted no later than 0830 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 The race committee may orally announce changes to the sailing instructions on the water by flying code flag "L" before the warning signal for each race. Failure to hear the change shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1 (a).

## **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the staff at the east end of Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

## **5 BOATS**

- 5.1 Sonar type boats will be provided by the Chicago Yacht Club for competing teams. The boats have been equalized in performance potential to the extent possible. Claims regarding the performance of the boats will not be grounds for redress request. This changes rule 62.1 (a).
- 5.2 All equipment shall be used as supplied and no changes, additions or subtractions shall be made other than those permitted by the sailing instructions or the organizing authority. Replacement of broken or damaged gear may only be made with gear sanctioned by the OA.

## **6 ROTATION**

A rotation sheet will be provided at registration.

## **7 SCHEDULE**

### **Saturday, October 3**

0800 – Registration, rigging of boats

0900 – Mandatory competitors meeting (Races to follow). Races will continue throughout the day

### **Sunday, October 4**

0800 – Rigging of boats

0915 – Warning signal for first race

1430 – No race will start after this time

## **8 RACING AREA**

The race area will be either in the open waters of Lake Michigan east of Belmont Harbor.

## **9 THE COURSE**

9.1 The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses that may be sailed.

9.2 The race committee will post the course prior to the warning of that race.

## **10 MARKS**

The starting, finishing and turning marks will be orange inflatable shapes.

## **11 THE START**

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of a green inflatable mark.

11.2 A boat starting later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

## **12 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

## **13 PROTESTS**

13.1 Protest forms are available at the scoring station, located on the second floor of the sailing school barge. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

13.2 The protest time limit is the start of the next rotation for the division in which the incident occurred or, if the incident occurs in the last rotation, 30 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks.

## **14 SCORING**

All boats will be scored using bow numbers only.

## **15 PRIZES**

15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 schools

15.2 The first place school may be invited to the Keelboat Invitational in St Petersburg, FL.

**16 SAFETY**

16.1 No boat shall leave the dock without being directed to do so by the race committee or the regatta chairman.

16.2 When the Race Committee Signal Boat displays flag “K” at or before the Warning Signal, spinnakers shall not be used for that race.

**17 COACHING**

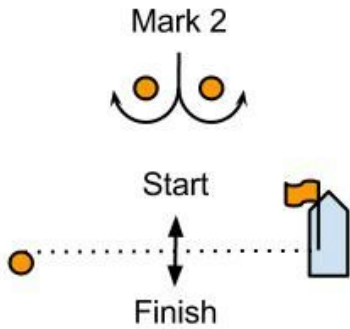
Coaching will take place in the racing area. Each coach shall operate a boat that will be his or her respective team’s designated coaching area.

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## ADDENDUM A

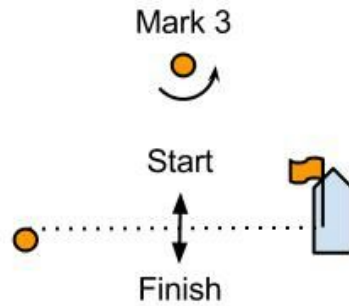
### W/L Course

Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish (4 legs)  
Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish (6 legs)



### Modified Olympic Course

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - Finish  
(Triangle - W - L)



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## ADDENDUM B

### 1 GENERAL

While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize, variations in the boats will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62(a).

### 2 PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by a member of the Race Committee otherwise, the following are prohibited:

- 2.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.3 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.7 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while "AP" is displayed ashore.
- 2.8 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.9 Moving the mast blocks.
- 2.10 Using a flattener as a reef.
- 2.11 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 2.12 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
- 2.13 Radio transmission, except to report damage or in response to a request from the RC.
- 2.14 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 2.15 The use of electronic instruments other than compass and watches.
- 2.16 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 2.17 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink.
- 2.18 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard is prohibited.
- 2.19 Sitting outboard (including legs) of the toe rail is prohibited, but the upper body may lean outboard.

### 3 PERMITTED ITEMS and ACTIONS

The following are permitted:

- 3.1 Taking on board the following equipment:
  - (a) basic hand tools
  - (b) adhesive tape
  - (c) line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less)
  - (d) marking pens
  - (e) tell-tale material

- (f) watch, timers and hand held compass
  - (g) shackles and clevis pins
  - (h) velcro tape
  - (i) spare flags
- 3.2 Using the items in 3.1 to:
- (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets
  - (b) attach tell tales
  - (c) prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard
  - (d) mark control settings
  - (e) make minor repairs and permitted adjustments
  - (f) make signals as per Appendix D2
- 3.3 Fixing a spinnaker sheet catcher at the bow, providing that it does not extend the length of the boat more than 100 mm and does not require any repair or maintenance after removal.
- 3.4 Changing the number of mainsheet or jib sheet purchases.