

**2016 Shepherd Championship
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
COLUMBIA YACHT CLUB - MONROE HARBOR
November 5-6, 2016**

1.0 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the 2013-2016 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING), and the procedural rules of the Interscholastic Sailing Association (ISSA).

2.0 SAFETY

- 2.1 Type III U.S. Coast Guard approved PFDs, properly secured, and must be worn at all times while on the water. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification from the race during which the infraction occurred, or, at the Jury's discretion, from the regatta.
- 2.2 The Race Committee may, for reasons of safety and health, order a yacht not to start a race, to withdraw from a race it has started, or to stop racing altogether. Yachts affected by such Race Committee orders shall be scored DNF or DNS, whichever applies. Competitor(s) subject to such Race Committee order shall not be eligible for redress.
- 2.3 No yacht shall leave the dock without being directed to do so by the Race Committee or the Regatta Chairman at the competitors meeting.
- 2.4 Dry Suits are required unless the regatta chairman decides the weather is suitable to go without.

3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board, located inside the ship on the sliding classroom door.

4.0 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted to the Official Notice Board.
- 4.2 In accordance with Racing Rule 90.2 (c) the Race Committee may orally announce changes in Sailing Instructions on the water before the warning signal for each race.

5.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be announced orally to all competitors.
- 5.2 Races will begin not less than 30 minutes after AP flag is dropped on RC boat.

6.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The number of races will be as prescribed by the ISSA Procedural Rule 7.4(c).
- 6.2 The following schedule will apply:

Saturday November 5, 2016

- 1000 - Check in and registration.
1000 Rigging/Launching of boats
1015 - Competitors Meeting--
MANDATORY
1100 - First warning. Races will continue throughout the day.

Sunday November 6, 2016

- 1000 – Rigging/Launching of boats
1015 – Competitors Meeting –
MANDATORY
1100 - Warning signal for first race
1530 - No race will start after this time.

The warning for the second and subsequent races will be signaled upon completion of each race.

7.0 RACING AREA

The racing will take place inside Monroe harbor.

8.0 THE COURSE

All courses will be windward/leewards with a leeward gate. The RC will post the course and number of legs prior to the warning of that race.

9.0 MARKS

The starting mark, finishing mark, and course marks shall be orange inflatable's.

10.0 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started in accordance with Appendix S— Sound Signal Starting System. A

series of short sound signals will be made before the starting sequence begins.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an Orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and a port end starting mark.

10.3 A boat starting later than 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11.0 RECALLS

11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Racing Rule 29.1 modified as follows: The Race Committee may hail premature starters by their sail numbers only, hull numbers will not be hailed, and will display code flag "X".

12.0 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

After the starting signal, the Race Committee may change the position of any mark, provided that no yacht is on the changed leg. There will be no signal for such change. This modifies RRS 33.

13.0 THE FINISH

The Finishing line will be on the opposite side of the start line, between an RC Flag on the signal boat and an orange ball.

14.0 SCORING

14.1 All Boats will be scored using sail numbers only.

14.2 A school's combined score shall be the sum of its scores in A and B Divisions.

15.0 PROTESTS

15.1 Protests shall be written on an ISSA protest forms available in the scoring table.

15.2 Protests shall be filed with the score keeper or a member of the protest committee as soon as possible upon coming ashore and prior to the start of the protestee's next rotation. If the incident occurs in the last rotation of the day, the protest shall be filed within 30 minutes of the Race Committee signal boat docking.

15.3 The Jury will hear protests in the approximate order of receipt and as soon as practicable.

15.4 ISSA Rule 16 shall apply to all protests.

16.0 BREAKDOWNS

Breakdown points will be awarded in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 9(f)(iii)(2)(3).

17.0 PRIZES

Team overall trophies for first through third will be awarded.

