



## **MISSA Cressy Singlehanded Qualifier**

**Hosted by Macatawa Bay Yacht Club and  
the Macatawa Bay Junior Association  
2157 South Shore Drive  
Holland, MI 49423**



### **Sailing Instructions**

#### **1. RULES:**

1.1. The regatta will be governed by: 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, the International Laser Class Rules, ISSA Procedural Rules, MISSA By-laws and District Rules, NOR, and the SI's.

1.2. The Laser Standard and Laser Radial shall be sailed singlehanded, modifies Laser Class 7(a).

1.3. The RRS are changed as follows:

1.3.1. The United States Sailing Association prescription to RRS 63.4 will not apply.

1.3.2. Race Signals – Flag AP is changed in SI 7.

1.3.3. RRS Appendix P will apply as described by ISSA Procedural 14(c) in SI 9

1.3.4. RRS 66 – is changed in SI 7

1.4. Sail ID numbers will be provided by the host club for each boat. It is the responsibility for the competitor to have the Sail ID numbers in the correct place, redress will not be granted for improper placement, changes RRS 61.2. Sail ID numbers will be placed on both sides of the mainsail with a separation of three inches between numbers as follows: (a) The starboard numerals will be placed two inches above the top batten with the first numeral two inches from the leech. (b) The port numerals will be placed two inches below the top batten with the last numeral two inches from the leech.

#### **2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

2.1. Any changes to the SI's will be posted on the Official Notice Board inside the junior sailing center next to the Sailing School Office.

#### **3. SCHEDULE:**

Saturday, September 22nd

8:00 a.m. - Registration and boat set up

8:45 a.m. - Competitors meeting

9:00 a.m. – Launch Boats

10:00 a.m. - 1st warning signal Radials

No races will be started after 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 23rd

8:00 a.m. - Boat set-up

8:45 a.m. – Launch Boats

9:45 a.m. - 1st warning signal Radials

No races will be started after 1:30 p.m.

#### **4. GREEN INITIATIVE:**

4.1 We are asking that all sailors, coaches and parents to bring reusable bottles.

4.2 5-gallon water jugs will be out on the racecourse to facilitate filling water bottles.

#### **5. RACING AREA/COURSES:**

5.1 Course diagrams will also be posted on the Official Notice Board inside the classroom. Also refer to Appendix A.

5.2 All mark rounding's will be made to port (except Gate). The Start will be between an Orange Flag on the Pin Boat and an Orange flag on the RC boat.

5.3 After start is as follows: Two laps: After the Start head to mark "W1," mark "W2," between marks "L1 & L2," mark "W1," mark "W2," between marks "L1 & L2," and then head to Finish. The finish will be on the Starboard side of the RC boat between a Blue flag and mark. One lap: After the Start head to mark "W1," mark "W2," between marks "L1 & L2," and then head to Finish. The finish will be on the Starboard side of the RC boat between a Blue flag and mark "Finish." See Appendix B.

5.4 Marks may be Yellow or Orange Cylinders and Tetrahedrons.

5.5 Starting sequence shall be 3-minute dingy starts per RRS appendix U. RC will announce the start order and the course on a loudhailer, 1st start of the regatta will be the Laser Radials.

5.6 Class Flags: Laser Full: White Class Flag. Laser Radial: Red Class Flag.

5.7 The Racing Area will be the waters of Lake Michigan west of the Holland Pier or the waters of Lake Macatawa.

#### **6. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS/ PROTESTS:**

6.1 Code Flag "X" shall be displayed for individual recalls. It is the responsibility of the yacht to make a proper start. Failure of the Race Committee to make these signals or failure of a starter on the course side to see or hear these signals shall not relieve the offending yacht from restarting and is not grounds for redress.

6.2 Protest forms can be found on registration table next to Sailing Director's office, all protest forms must be handed in 30 minutes after RC Dock time, all Saturday Protest will be heard after racing or heard Sunday AM at 7:45.

#### **7. TIME LIMITS:**

7.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

7.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "thirty minutes". This changes RRS Signal AP.

7.3 The time limit for any race will be forty-five (45) minutes for the first boat to finish.

7.4 Boats not finishing within fifteen (15) minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) as prescribed in RRS Appendix A. 6.5 Boats starting more than five (5) minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS without a hearing.

#### **8. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:**

8.1 After finishing each race, all competitors shall stop by the Leeward side of the RC boat to report: any association with a protest, any contact or damage between boats or marks, and/or Penalty Turns taken.

8.2 The protest time limit is thirty (30) minutes after the RC boat docks. This time will be posted on the official notice board.

8.3 Per ISSA Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the Race Committee their intent to protest.

8.4 Notices will be posted soon after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and of the location of the hearings.

8.5 On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered — (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day or (b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

## **9. COACHING:**

9.1 It is the responsibility of the coaches to know the limits of their competitors, and thus pull said competitor from racing if conditions exceed their limitations.

9.2 The Race Committee shall designate the area where competitors may receive coaching, assistance or sustenance, provided at least one coach from each team has equal access to the area. Contact with competitors shall be limited to the designated area.

9.3 Team-leaders, chaperones, advisors, coaches and other support personnel shall not go afloat in the sailing area during the weekend, unless with the permission of the event chairperson.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM:**

10.1 RRS Appendix P will apply as prescribed in ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c).

10.2 Judges will be on the water during all races looking for and signaling violations with a yellow flag.

10.3 The Two-Turns penalty as described in RRS 44.1 and 44.2 shall apply for Rule 42 violations.

## **11. GREEN INITIATIVE:**

11.1 We are asking that all sailors, coaches and parents to bring reusable bottles.

11.2 5-gallon water jugs will be out on the racecourse to facilitate filling water bottles.

## **12. OFFICIAL NOTICE FOR ALL TEAMS:**

12.1 Macatawa Bay Junior Association and Macatawa Bay Yacht Club and its officers, members, employees, and race committee assume and accept no responsibility for property damage to any boat or personal injury to any skipper, crew, or friends incurred while participating in this regatta, including pre- and post-race activities. It is the responsibility of the skipper, along with his/her coach, advisor, and/or parent(s) to assess the condition of his/her boat, whether he/she owns said boat, and its suitability for the weather expected during the race, and to decide whether to start or continue any race.

## **13. REGATTA CONTACTS:**

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