

**Tulip Regatta
Macatawa Bay Junior Association
May 6, 2017**

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Interscholastic Sailing Association Procedural Rules, the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association Supplemental Rules, this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

2. Eligibility

Competing schools must be members of MISSA and ISSA and meet ISSA eligibility rules as prescribed in the Procedural Rules.

3. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the MBJA Junior Sailing Center building.

4. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

Changes may be made to expedite the running of the event if the PRO approves and all teams are notified before the race in which the change would take effect.

5. Schedule of Races

Saturday Reporting time: 0830
 Skippers meeting: 0915
 First Warning for 1st race: 1000
 Warning for subsequent races will be sounded as soon as possible after a reasonable amount of time is given for the rotation of boats. Starts will not be delayed.
 No race shall start after: 1600

6. Personal Flotation

Coast Guard approved Life Jackets are to be worn by all competitors shore to shore.

7. The Course

The diagrams in Illustration A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8. Marks

All marks will be orange balls and tetrahedrons.

11. The Start

11.1 The starting line will be between a staff on the RC boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.

11.2 RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix S - Sound Signal Starting System shall be used.

11.3 RRS 29.1 Individual Recall shall apply. This changes Appendix S - Sound Signal Starting System S6.

11.4 After a General Recall, the “round-the-ends rule” provisions of RRS 30.1 shall apply. Flag I need not be displayed.” (This changes RRS 30.1) This will be effective for the start following the general recall only.

12. Change of Course after the Start

A change in any leg of the course after the start shall not be done with boats on that leg.

13. The Finish

The finish line will be between a staff on the RC boat and the nearby mark

14. Penalty System

RRS 44.2 shall apply.

15 Protests

15.1 Appendix T, Section C Rules T3, T4, T4.2, T4.3, T4.5, T4.6 will apply.

15.2 Insert a new line to the end of rule T3: ‘Before Protesting - A competitor shall not communicate with anyone other than teammates or other competitors before reporting to the Race Committee on the signal boat an intention to file a protest. Breaking this rule may be grounds for closing the protest hearing.’

15.3 The first sentence of ISSA Procedural Rule 16(d) is changed to: ‘It is required that the protestor submit the protest on the Protest Form, provided by the Regatta Organizer, at or before the time specified by the Race Committee.’

15.4 The final line of ISSA Procedural Rule 16(d) is deleted.

15.5 For protests, the Protest Committee will be comprised of: coach of the protester, coach of the protestee, and a third coach or US Sailing certified judge.

15.6 For redress and break down hearings, the Protest Committee will be comprised of: coach of the interested party and two other coaches from different teams or US Sailing certified judge(s).

15.7 The definition of a coach is; an individual that conducts regular on the water practice and accompanies the team to regattas.

15.8 The second line of RRS 61.1 is changed to: ‘When her *protest* will concern an incident in the racing area that she was involved in or saw, she shall hail ‘Protest” and the sail number of the boat she is protesting at the first reasonable opportunity.’

16. Number of Races and Scoring

16.1 We will attempt to complete a full rotation.

16.1 There shall be a minimum of one race to constitute a regatta.

16.2 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A shall be used.

16.3 No score shall be excluded.

17. Support Boats and Coaching

When and Where Permissible - A competitor may receive coaching, assistance, equipment or sustenance only between races. Race Committee will designate an area where all of the above may take place. When a coach is also acting as a member of the race committee, contact with a competitor shall also be limited to a designated area; otherwise that coach shall be allowed to perform duties necessary in running the regatta. Coaches are ultimately responsible for the safety and well-being of their sailors. If a team needs assistance during a race, that team will be scored a DNF.

ILLUSTRATION A

Course	Marks
W3	Start – W – O – G – Upwind Finish
W4	Start – W – O – G – W – O – Downwind Finish
W5	Start – W – O – G – W – O – G – Upwind Finish

