

MDISA SPRING TEAM RACE LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

21-22 APRIL 2018
Severn School

Organizing Authority (OA): MDISA on behalf of the MASSA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules
- 1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 Rule D2.4(b) will apply to all protest and request for redress.

2 ADVERTISING AND IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 In accordance with ISAF Advertising Code, advertising on the supplied equipment is only available to the organizing authority.
- 2.2 While racing, competitors are encouraged to wear bibs displaying their team colors.

3 TEAMS

After registration no team member may be changed without the prior permission of the MDISA League Director. There is no limit to number of players that may be used.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the race office.

5 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the start of any race to which it applies and will be signed by the Race Officer.
- 5.2 n/a
- 5.3 n/a

6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main flag pole located in the parking lot. This likely will not happen.
- 6.2 n/a

7 FORMAT AND SCHEDULE OF RACING

- 7.1 The regatta format and number of races will be determined by the Race Committee and will be based on the number of teams registered, the weather conditions and time constraints. We will attempt a round robin and one final four, all on Saturday. One complete round robin, or 80% of one not completed, shall constitute a regatta.
- 7.2 We will attempt to sail one complete round robin and one final four round for the top 4 teams. The format may be modified during the event by the race committee after consulting the PRO.
- 7.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 0945 hrs
- 7.4 On the last day of the event no warning signal will be made after 1630 hrs. However the Race Committee may, at its absolute discretion, extend this cut off in order to complete the final series.
- 7.5 Every race will be assigned a race number in the race schedule.
- 7.6 The race committee after consultation with the chief umpire may decide not to run a re-sail if the result of the race is not relevant to progress of any team to the next round.
- 7.7 The race committee after consultation with the chief umpire may postpone a re-sail indefinitely and score each team half a race win unless the result is relevant to progress, but not seeding, in the next round.

8 RACING AREA

Magothy River sailing area.

9 THE COURSE, MARKS

- 9.1 The diagram in Attachment C shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be rounded, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 Marks 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be circular buoys.
- 9.3 n/a
- 9.4 The race committee may move marks of the course at any time. Rule 33 will not apply. The moving of a mark by the race committee will not give grounds for redress. This amends rule 60.1.

10 THE START

- 10.1 3 minute dinghy start will be used
- 10.2 n/a
- 10.3 n/a
- 10.4 In the start sequence audible signals will take precedence.
- 10.5 The starting signal of a race may be the warning signal for the following race.
- 10.6 Failure to hear a signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1(b).
- 10.7 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a flag on the starting committee boat at the starboard end and the port-end starting mark.
- 10.8 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.
- 10.9 n/a.
- 10.10 When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line, the race committee shall promptly display flag X and may hail or display the boat numbers. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats are completely on the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions, but no later than one minute after the starting signal. This changes rule 29.1.

11 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a finishing boat at the starboard end and the port-end finishing mark.

12 ABANDONMENT

The race committee may abandon a race for any reason. Abandonment(s) may be advised orally. This amends rule 32 and race signals

13 UMPIRING AND PROTESTS

- 13.1 All races will be umpired. Rule D2.2 applies. The red flag requirement is deleted in RRS 61.1(a), D1.2(c) and D5.2 and Appendix D is modified below as follows: RRS D2.2(a) is changed by replacing the phrase "display a red flag" with "display a raised open hand."
- 13.2 The single flag protest procedure will apply and rule D2.2 (a) is change to:
 - (a) When a boat protests under a rule of Part 2 or under rule 31 or 42, she is not entitled to a hearing. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may promptly acknowledge breaking a *rule* and take the appropriate penalty. If the protested boat fails to take a penalty, an umpire shall decide whether to penalize any boat and shall signal the decision in compliance with rule D2.2 (b).
- 13.3 The World Sailing Team Racing Call Book will apply.
- 13.4 n/a
- 13.5 When the race umpires together with one other umpire decide that a boat has broken rule 14 and there is damage or injury, they may penalise her team by half a race win without a hearing. The boat will be informed as soon as practical and may request a hearing. Any penalty after a hearing will be in accordance with rule D3.1(c). This changes rule 63.1.

- 13.6 n/a
- 13.7 n/a
- 13.8 The protest time limit for protests and requests for redress that have not been decided afloat is 30 minutes after the relevant incident or, if the incident is afloat, within 30 minutes of coming ashore. A written protest form, obtainable from the Jury Secretary, is required for protests not decided afloat. (this changes D2.4(b)). Hearing times for hearings ashore will be posted on the official notice board.
- 13.9 A hearing may be declined if it is not relevant to progress to the next round. This amends rule 63.1.

14 BREAKDOWNS

- 14.1 Competitors are responsible for inspecting their boats before racing.
- 14.2 Competitors shall report any defects, damage or breakdown to the PRO at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 14.3 When to continue racing after damage a breakdown risks further damage to the boat, she shall retire immediately.
- 14.4 The race committee after consultation with the Chief Umpire shall decide redress in accordance with rule D5.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Rules D3 (scoring a race) and D4 (scoring a series) will apply.
- 15.2 A boat that capsizes after her starting signal and inverts such that both her gunwales are touching the water or gets her mast stuck in the bottom of the sea will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rule A4 and A5.
- 15.3 n/a

16 OFFICIAL BOATS

16.1 N/a

17 SUPPORT BOATS

Coach boats will not be allowed. With the exception of the PRO, Coaches, team managers and any other team officials or persons accompanying teams will not be allowed on the race course or pontoons.

18 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: none.

19 DRUG TESTING

n/a

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 20.1 Competitors are entirely responsible for their own safety, whether afloat or ashore, and nothing reduces this responsibility.
- 20.2 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk – see rule 4, Decision to Race.
- 20.3 The OA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the Championship. The OA encompasses everyone helping to run the event.

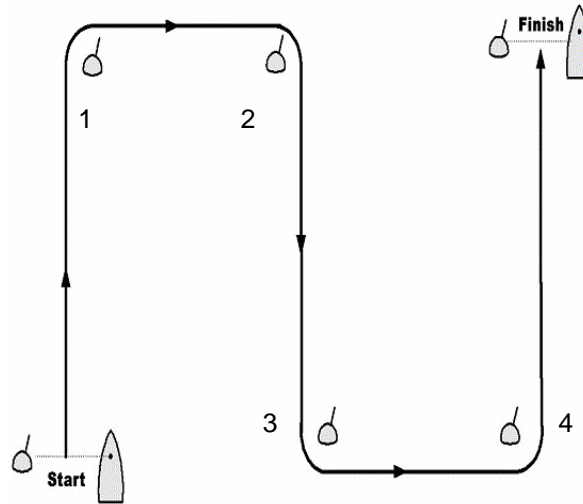
21 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 21.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions, co-operation with event sponsors and shall not behave so as to bring the event into disrepute.
- 21.2 Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship and in accordance with Attachment B – Handling the Boats.
- 21.3 The penalty for breaking instruction 21.1 and 21.2 is at the discretion of the protest committee and may include exclusion from further participation in the event, the withdrawal of any prize or the withholding of deposits. This changes rule 64.1.

- 21.4 The protest committee may call a hearing other than under rule 69 to investigate a possible inappropriate behaviour of a competitor or any person related to a team. This includes foul language. The protest committee may decide to call for a hearing under rule 69 or to deduct a point penalty from a team's score at its own discretion. This changes rules 60.3 and 64.1.

ATTACHMENT C – THE COURSE

The course will be a starboard hand 'S' course: START – 1 – 2 – 3 – 4 - FINISH



Not to Scale