



Panther Invite

Macatawa Bay Yacht Club
April 24th, 2021
2157 South Shore Dr.
Macatawa, MI 49434

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES:

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the MISSA Procedural Rules and District Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions. In the event of a conflict between the governing documents and the Sailing Instructions the latter shall take precedence.
- 1.2. In accordance with rule 70.5(a), decisions of the protest committee are final.
- 1.3. The Organizing Authority is the Midwest Interscholastic Sailing Association (MISSA), in conjunction with West Ottawa High School and Macatawa Bay Junior Association.
- 1.4. The regatta will consist of A and B divisions of 420s (no traps, spinnakers). Round Robin format and one race of both A and B Fleet constitutes a regatta.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS:

- 2.1. Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the MBJA Junior Sailing Center.
- 2.2. Changes to the sailing instructions may be made by the Race Committee (RC) and posted no later than one half hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect, or, on the water, communicated to each boat before her warning signal.

3. SCHEDULE:

Saturday APRIL 24th:

9:00 Check in/registration. Teams should rig boats immediately after check-in.

10:15 Coaches Meeting / Competitor Meeting

11:00 First Warning – No Racing will commence after 4pm unless to complete a B rotation.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the staff at the corner of MBYC Launch Ramp and Dry Sail Area.



4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP.

5. RACING AREA:

5.1. All races will be sailed on the water of Lake Macatawa adjacent to MBYC.

6. COURSES AND MARKS:

6.1. Courses will be in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8, the preferred course is a windward-leeward W4 with a windward offset, leeward gate positioned to weather of the start-finish line, and a downwind finish.

6.2. The RC will designate the course on board visible from the signal boat.

6.3. Marks will be red balls, and the start/finish marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

6.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(c) after the starting signal, the RC may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on the leg of the course. No signals are required (changes (RRS 33)).

7. START, FINISH, and RECALLS:

7.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(a), which states: RRS US Sailing Prescription Appendix U – Sound -Signal Starting System shall be used.

7.2. Individual Recall – Individual recalls shall be signaled by Flag X. An attempt to hail sail numbers may be made, but not required.

7.3. General Recall – The RC shall signal a general recall with the First Substitute and an attempt at multiple sounds and the hail of "general recall" may be made, but not required.

7.4. After a general recall, RRS 30.1 shall apply "over the start line with one minute rule round the ends" except Flag I need not be displayed.

7.5. The start and finish line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the RC Signal Boat and the course side of the start mark.

8. BREAKDOWNS:

8.1. Redress requests for breakdowns shall be filed in the same manner as protests.

9. RACE TIME FRAME AND SCORING:

9.1. The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rules.

9.2. Boats failing to finish within 7 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish) without hearing.

10. BOATS:

10.1. 420's will be provided by the host, boats will be sailed as provided.

10.2. Damage to any boat must be reported as soon as practical to a RC representative.

10.3. Boats must be turned over to the next rotation in ready-to-race condition.



- 10.4. Any problems with a boat received in rotation should be immediately reported to a RC representative, including time needed to repair a boat.

11. COACHING:

- 11.1. Coaches, team leaders, or other support personnel may go afloat in the sailing area.

12. SAFETY:

- 12.1. Competitors shall wear USCG approved lifejackets as outlined in Procedural Rule 2.2.
- 12.2. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.
- 12.3. Masks are required to be worn when sailing, in common areas and during shore side events.

13. AWARDS:

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the regatta. Medals will be awarded to the top three schools in each Division.

14. OFFICIAL NOTICE:

- 14.1. No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other controlled substance, as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802, the possession of which is unlawful under U.S. Code 841, or alcoholic beverages (distilled spirits, wine and beer, each as defined in Chapter 51 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code and intended for beverage use). An alleged breach of this procedural rule shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when a report is received from any source, alleging such a breach a protest committee consisting of the regatta chairperson of the protest committee, shall follow the process described in RRS 69.2. If a hearing under RRS 69 is held, a competitor found to have breached this procedural rule shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practical, be removed from the regatta venues and sent home. Additional penalties consistent with RRS 69.2 may be imposed on the competitor or the competitor's team. This regulation is in effect during the entire event from the date and time of arrival through the date and time of departure from the regatta site.

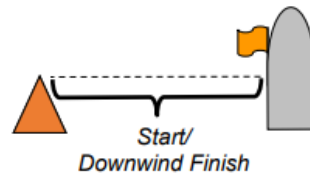
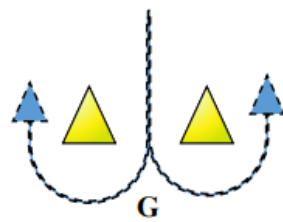
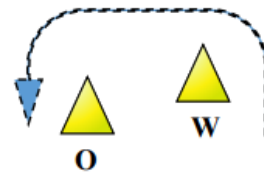
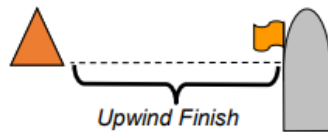
15. WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

- 15.1. Sailing is an activity that has inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race and ISSA PR 1.3.
- 15.2. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16. Course Diagram

Marks of the course shall be left to port

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



17. Regatta Contacts:

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