



## **NWISA Ranking Regatta #3**

**April 13-14, 2024**

**Dockton Park (Vashon Island)**

**Hosted by Gig Harbor Junior Sailing**

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

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

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ISSA Procedural Rules, the NWISA District Rules, the Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

#### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Official notices will be posted on the official notice board located at the registration table at Dockton Park.
- 2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted no later than one hour prior to the first warning signal on the day it will take effect.

#### **3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 3.1 Signals made ashore shall be displayed from a race committee boat at the dock.  
Postponement may also be communicated verbally to coaches over the designated VHF channel.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 15 minutes" in the race signal AP.

#### **4. THE START**

- 4.1 The start line will be between a staff on the race committee boat displaying an orange flag and an orange buoy located to port.
- 4.2 Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.9.
- 4.3 Per ISSA PR 7.9(b), the verbal hailing of boats OCS is only a courtesy. The race committee will attempt to hail any boat it identifies as OCS. The volume, order, timeliness, or absence of a verbal hail shall not be grounds for redress.
- 4.4. In accordance with ISSA PR 7.9(c), general recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles. After a general recall, the round-the-ends provision of RRS 30.1 shall automatically apply. The I-Flag need not be displayed (Changes RRS 30.1).

#### **5. COURSE AND MARKS**

- 5.1 The race committee will announce the course verbally prior to the warning signal and may continue to repeat the course during the starting sequence.
- 5.2 A description of courses and marks are found in Course Diagrams A, B, and C. Any significant deviation from the marks shown in these diagrams shall be announced at the skipper's meeting.
- 5.3 Rounding marks may differ in color between gold and silver courses if fleets are separated.  
This will be communicated at the skipper's meeting.
- 5.4 If a gate mark is missing, or no longer on station, competitors shall round

the remaining mark (nearest mark) to port.

## **6. THE FINISH**

- 6.1 The finish line shall be between a race committee vessel displaying a blue flag and an orange buoy to port.
- 6.2 The finish line shall be restricted only if gold and silver are combined on one race course (see "Course Diagram A")
- 6.3 After finishing the final race of a set, competitors shall sail directly to the rotation dock to switch pairs.
- 6.4 The race committee reserves the right to finish a boat, or boats, in place if they are impeding the progress of the regatta.

## **7. ROTATIONS AND SPECTATING**

- 7.1 Competitors shall head to the rotation dock at Dockton park to rotate every two races, unless otherwise directed by the race committee.
- 7.2 Competitors shall be mindful of any race in progress when heading to/from the rotation dock. A boat which interferes with a boat which is racing may be protested. If found to have broken a rule, she may be disqualified from her previous race.
- 7.3 The rotation dock (furthest dock from shore) shall be restricted to coaches, competitors and officials.

## **8. PROTESTS**

- 8.1 Protest procedure and time limit will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI. 8.2 Protest forms will be available at the registration table at Dockton Park.
- 8.3 Protest hearings will be held as soon as practicable, including between rotations. Protests shall be heard immediately following racing for up to one hour following racing on Saturday. Additional protests will be heard ahead of racing Sunday morning.

## **9. SCORING**

- 9.1 The regatta will be scored in accordance with ISSA Procedural Rule 9.
- 9.2 Teams failing to enter Record of Participation (RP) information on TechScore by the end of the protest time limit on Sunday shall be assessed an automatic penalty in accordance with PR 4.3(a).

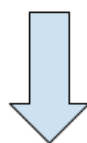
## **10. BREAKDOWNS and DAMAGE**

- 10.1 Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 10.2 Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with the guidelines listed in ISSA PR Appendix 3.
- 10.3 All damage, no matter how minor, shall be reported to the Race Committee, or representative of the host organization, as soon as practicable.
- 10.4 A compulsory protest hearing shall be initiated by the Race Committee when there is a collision that results in serious damage or injury.

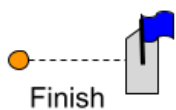
## **11. SAFETY**

- 11.1 Competitors shall wear a USCG-approved PFD per ISSA PR2.2.
- 11.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is not possible, immediately after arriving at the rotation dock.
- 11.3 Per RRS 3, it is the decision of each boat to race, or continue racing. However, the race committee reserves the right to send in any boat that it considers to be a danger to itself or others.

# Course Diagram A (Gold + Silver Combined)



WIND



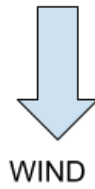
**Course:** Start, 1, 2, 3P/3S, Finish

All marks rounded to port except gates.

Not to scale. All angles approximate.

Finish line is restricted.

# Course Diagram B (Windward/Leeward)



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**Course** Start, 1, 2, 3P/3S, 1, 2, Finish (downwind)

All marks rounded to port except gates (3P/3S).

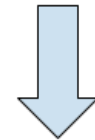
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Gold and Silver racing on separate courses.

Silver rounding marks will be RED.



# Course Diagram C (Windward/Leeward Modified)



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**Course 1:** Start, 1, 2, 3P/3S, Finish  
**Course 2:** Start, 1, 2, 3P/3S, 1, 2, 3P/3S, Finish

All marks rounded to port except gates.

Not to scale. All angles approximate.

Gold and Silver racing on separate courses.

Silver rounding marks are RED

