

	<p>MISSA Great Lakes Championship Chicago Yacht Club November, 4th-5th, 2017 Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL USA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS</p>	
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1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Official Procedural Rules for Interscholastic Sailing Competition and the MISSA By-laws and District Rules will apply
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P is in effect modified per ISSA Procedural Rule 14(c)
- 1.4 RRS Appendix U is in effect, U4 is modified to require signalling the X flag if boats are on course side.
- 1.5 RRS Appendix V1 is in effect. This changes the penalty system to a One-Turn Penalty exoneration except while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, a dry-erase board located in the east classroom of second floor of the Sailing Activity Center located at Chicago Yacht Club Belmont Station.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0830 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.2 The race committee may orally announce changes to the sailing instructions on the water by flying code flag “L” before the warning signal for each race. Failure to hear the change shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the staff at the east end of Chicago Yacht Club, Belmont Station.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in race signal AP.

5 RACING SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 4th

0800 – Registration, rigging of boats.

0830 – Mandatory competitors meeting. Races to follow.

Sunday, November 5th

0800 – Rigging of boats.

0800 – Annual MISSA General Meeting

0900 – Warning signal for first race.

1500 – No race will start after this time.

6 BOATS

- 6.1 Boats shall be sailed as provided. No changes to standing rigging settings are permitted.
- 6.2 The penalty for infringing the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of these sailing instructions.

7 RACING AREA

The race area will be either in the open waters of Lake Michigan east of Belmont Harbor or in Belmont Harbor. The initial race area selection will be made by the race officer and the regatta organizer each day of the regatta and announced at the competitors meeting. Any changes to the location will be subsequently be signaled via an L flag and announcements.

8 THE COURSE

The diagrams in Addendum A show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. An offset mark at the windward mark may be used at the discretion of the race committee. For windward/leeward courses, the number of legs will be posted. Courses W3 and W5 may also be used.

- 8.1 The course to be sailed will be announced orally and taken from the course diagrams posted on the official notice board and sailing instructions. It is the intent to sail course W-3, W-4 or W-5.
- 8.2 In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(c) after the starting signal, the race committee may change the position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No signals are required (changes RRS 33).

9 MARKS

The starting, finishing and turning marks will be inflatable shapes.

10 THE START, FINISH, and RECALLS

- 10.1. Races will start in accordance with ISSA PR 7.8(a) except that RRS Appendix U - Sound-Signal Starting System will be modified as follows:
 - 10.1.1 Individual Recall - When, at a boat's starting signal, any part of her hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or she must comply with RRS 30.1, the race committee shall promptly display flag X with one sound. The flag shall be displayed until all such boats have sailed completely to the pre-start side of the starting line or its extensions and have complied with RRS 30.1, if it applies, but not later than two minutes after the starting signal, whichever is earlier. The Race Committee may also attempt to notify individual boats by hailing their sail or bow numbers. This rule modifies Appendix U (U4).
 - 10.1.2 General Recall – The race committee may signal a general recall by multiple sounds and the hail of “general recall” and need not display the First Substitute. Following a general recall, the warning for any subsequent start may be initiated at any time. (Changes RRS 29.2) After a general recall, RRS 30.1 (I Flag Rule), shall apply for the following race and no signal need be given (changes RRS 30.1).
 - 10.1.3 As a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to hail boats "On Course Side" (OCS) as soon as possible after the start. Failure of electronic equipment, failure to hear a hail, order

- of hail, or delay in hailing will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1 (a).
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a pin end start boat or a mark.
 - 10.3 The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and an orange flag on the pin boat, or a mark.
 - 10.4 A boat starting later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.
 - 10.5 If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

11 BREAKDOWNS

- 11.1 Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests.
- 11.2 Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ISSA PR 9(e). Compensation shall be consistent with ISSA PR Appendix 3.

12 PROTESTS

- 12.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the front desk of the Member Barge.
- 12.2 Protests procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.
- 12.3 ISSA PR 16 (d) is changed to read sentence three as follows: Protest time limit for filing a protest or request for redress shall be twenty minutes after the last boat in the fleet reaches the dock after the race or set of races in which the incident occurs.
- 12.4 Video, data and/or photographs taken from any source shall not be used as evidence at protest hearings. This changes RRS 63.6.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 All boats will be scored using sail numbers only.
- 13.2 Three races in each division will constitute a regatta.
- 13.3 Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 No boat shall leave the dock without being directed to do so by the race committee or the regatta chairman.

15 COACHING

- 15.1 If the event is sailed inside of the harbor, coaching may take place onshore.
- 15.2 If the event is sailing outside of the harbor, coaching may take place on the water. Each coach may operate a boat that will be his or her respective team's designated coaching platform.

16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded to schools placing 1st, 2nd and 3rd overall.

17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

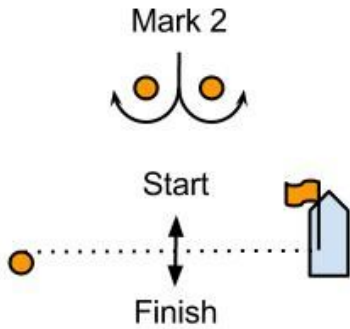
The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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ADDENDUM A

W/L Course

Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish (4 legs)
Start - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - 1 - Finish (6 legs)



Modified Olympic Course

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - Finish
(Triangle - W - L)

