

MISSA WEST LEAGUE GREAT LAKES QUALIFIER

Organized by MISSA & WAYZATA SAILING Hosted at the Mike Plant Community Boathouse Wayzata, MN October 8th & 9th

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a breach of a rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The ISSA Procedural Rules 2021-2024 available at https://hssailing.org/documents/ISSA-PR-2021-2024.pdf apply.
- 1.3 The MISSA Supplemental Rules available at <u>https://missa.hssailing.org/about/missa-district-rules</u> apply.
- 1.4 The Organizing Authority [OA] is MISSA, as represented by Wayzata Sailing and its representatives.

2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that a change to the schedule of races may occur as needed in order to conclude the event. The race committee may change or terminate any part of the format at any reasonable time taking into account the entries, weather, time constraints, and other relevant factors.
- 2.2 Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water in accordance with RRS 90.2(c) and ISSA PR 7.3 by hailing competitors of the change, flying code flag "L", and relaying the change via VHF to coaches and support personnel.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at <u>https://scores.hssailing.org/f22/missa-west-great-lakes-qual/</u>
- 3.2 The race office is located at the Mike Plant Community Boathouse, telephone 952-476-5875, email office@wayzatasailing.org
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with coaches on VHF radio channel 71, including changes to the sailing instructions (in accordance with SI 2.2)

- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats
- 3.5 There will be no competitors meeting. Questions regarding the rules, NOR, SI, or any other event regulations may be submitted via email [office@wayzatasailing.org] and responses will be posted to the official notice board.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- 4.1 [DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with all reasonable requests from race officials.
- 4.2 [DP] [NP] Competitors and support persons shall handle any equipment provided by the organizing authority with care and seamanship, in accordance with any instructions for its use, and without interfering with its functionality. This includes the return of equipment in the same condition that it was provided in.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will display from the East side of the Mike Plant Community Boathouse
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Saturday: Check in & Rigging: 0800 Check in closes: 0900 Coaches Meeting: 0900 First Warning: 1000
- 6.2 Sunday: Rigging: 0830 Coaches meeting: 0900 First Warning: 1000 No Warning after: 1500
- 6.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area is Wayzata Bay

8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram(s) in SI Addendum A show the course(s), 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.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the appropriate course designation from a whiteboard.
- 8.3 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

9 MARKS

Marks will be yellow, orange, white or red balls as shown in SI Addendum A.

10 THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started as follows: ISSA PR 7.9
- 10.2 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position or the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as provided in ISSA PR7.8(a)

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag and the course side of the applicable finishing mark, as shown in Addendum A.

13 ROTATIONS & FORMAT

- 13.1 Rotations will be posted online via techscore
- 13.2 The intended format is two full round robins

14 PROTEST COMMITTEE & UMPIRES

- 14.1 The protest committee will be made up of PC Chair Kevin Kenny and his available and designated representatives.
- 14.1 If the protest committee can not assemble in a timely fashion, at the Regatta Chair's sole discretion, a protest committee may be formed of any of the following: Kevin Kenny, his designated pc members, the protestor's coach, the protestee's coach, or a willing third and independent coach.
- 14.2 Should the protestor's coach and the protestee's coach both be assigned to a PC, they will generally not be considered to have a conflict of interest, and meet the criteria of RRS 63.4 (b) (2) of "not significant" since together they will offset any real/perceived conflict of interest.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

15.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes the last race of. The time will be posted on the official notice board.

- 15.2 Hearing requests must be submitted to the race office by email [<u>matthew@wayzatasailing.org</u>]. No paper requests will be accepted and email must include the required protest or redress request contents per RRS. Subject line of the email shall read 'PROTEST'.
- 15.3 Failure of the race office to receive an emailed protest shall not be grounds for redress.
- 15.4 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 A minimum of 3 races in each division are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2 A team's series score shall be the total of their race scores, in accordance with ISSA PR 9

17 SUPPLIED BOATS

- 17.1 420Zs will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way, including changing mainsheet purchases.
- 17.2 [DP][NP] Slippage, malfunction, or any other failures of jib sheet cleats and/or outhaul cleats shall not be grounds for redress and/or breakdown requests. Competitors are expected to preventatively secure outhauls with a clove hitch or other easily releasable knot around the boom. Semi-permanent knots (like stoppers or half hitches) that require tools for removal or prevent future adjustment by other competitors are prohibited.
- 17.3 Competitors are expected to inspect their sailing equipment before leaving the dock. Failure to inspect equipment before going afloat or racing shall not be grounds for redress or replacement as outlined in ISSA PR and breakdown guidelines.

18 SUPPORT PERSONS AND COACHES

- 18.1 Failure to provide your own coach boat will not restrict other coaches from going afloat.
- 18.2 [DP] [NP] Team leaders, coaches, and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the RC signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

19 BERTHS & PRIZES

- 19.1 The top overall team will earn a berth to ACC.
- 19.2 Teams placing 1st 4th overall will earn a berth to Great Lakes Championship and are not eligible to attend last chance qualifier events.
- 19.3 Teams placing 5th 8th overall will earn a berth to the Shepherd Championship.
- 19.4 Prizes will be given to all teams that qualify for MISSA Great Lakes.
- 19.5 Earned regatta berths must be accepted in accordance with MISSA Supplemental Rule 5.1

20 RISK STATEMENT

20.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, communicable illness including but not limited to COVID-19, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

20.2 [DP][NP] All participants must complete and submit the waiver included in the NOR (or if a minor, have it completed for them by a parent/legal guardian) before going afloat.

OR

The above requirement may be waived by Wayzata Sailing, on condition that a competing venue/team's program participation waiver has a *statement of* and *waiver of risk* that includes participation at racing events offsite, specifically including Wayzata Sailing or blanket coverage for scheduled regatta venues. The acceptance of this language and waiver substitution is at the sole discretion of Wayzata Sailing. If seeking to waive the individual waiver requirements, a venue or team must submit their program waiver to <u>matthew@wayzatasailing.org</u> for review. Individual waivers are not waived until an affirmative response from event organizers has confirmed your waiver has been accepted.



W2: START - 1 - 2 - WF L2: START - 1 - 2 - LF W3: START - 1 - 2 - 1 - 2 - WF