
	<p>Central Baker Qualifier Chicago Yacht Club April 21 - 22, 2018 Belmont Harbor, Chicago, IL</p>	
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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including *Appendix D* and *Appendix U*.
- 1.2 The Official Procedural Rules for Interscholastic Sailing Competition and the MISSA By-laws and District Rules will apply.
- 1.3 This is a team racing event.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the Sailing School Barge.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0830 on the day it will take effect.

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, April 21

- 0800 – Registration and rigging of boats
- 0845 – Competitor meeting. All competitors shall attend the competitor meeting.
- 0930 – First warning. Races will continue throughout the day.

Sunday, April 22

- 0800 – Rigging of boats
- 0930 – Warning signal for first race
- 1600 – No race will start after this time

6 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 signaled via an L flag and announcements.

7 COURSE

The course will be the digital 'N' as shown in Appendix A.

8 FORMAT

The planned format is a single round robin followed by a "Gold" round robin of the top 6 teams. If time permits a "Silver" round robin will take place for the remaining teams. The format and number of races will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Competitors meeting and may be adjusted by the Organizing Authority due to weather and time considerations.

8.1 In the event that the conditions make the above format unmanageable, the Regatta Chair and the Chief Umpire may alter the format at any time as they deem fair to ensure an equitable determination of the winner. ISSA PR 12.3

8.2 The intended format for rounds for the day will be announced, including intended breaks, will be announced at the competitors meeting

9 MARKS

9.1 All marks of the course excluding the start and finish boats will be inflatable shapes.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.2 The team names (NT= New Trier, LA= Loyola Academy etc..) shall be displayed on a whiteboard on the starting boat.

10.3 The race number will be displayed on a white-board on the starting boat.

10.4 A boat starting later than two minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rules A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

11.1 The race committee will abandon a race orally. Flag N need not be displayed. This changes rules 32.1 and Race Signals.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee finish boat and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

13 PROTESTS

13.1 All races will be Umpired pursuant to Appendix D, Rule D2.6 (Limited Umpiring) and D2.2(single flag procedure) of the RRS as well as ISSA PR Appendix 7. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race

- committee their intent to protest.
- 13.2 RRS D2.2(a) is changed to 'She shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a raised open hand at the first reasonable opportunity to each'.
 - 13.3 The red flag requirement in RRS 61.1(a). RRS D1.2(c) and D5.2 is changed by replacing the phrase 'a red flag' with 'a raised open hand'.
 - 13.4 The protest time limit is 20 minutes after the last boat finishes in the race in which the incident occurred.
 - 13.5 Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the front desk on the first floor of the Belmont Station Clubhouse.

14 SAFETY

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

15 PRIZES

- 15.1 Prizes will be awarded to the teams with the three best combined scores.
- 15.2 The top 5 teams will be granted invitations to the MISSA Baker Qualifier to be held at Pontiac Yacht Club on May 5-6, 2018.

16 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.

APPENDIX A

