



## 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 All races will be Umpired pursuant to Appendix D, Rule D2 of the RRS and ISSA PR Appendix 7.
- 1.3 The Official Procedural Rules for Interscholastic Sailing Competition, including Applicable Conditions for Championships and the MISSA By-laws and District Rules will apply.
- 1.4 RRS D5.3 and 5.4: Replace “race committee” with “protest committee” in both rules.
- 1.5 The penalty for breaking RRS 55 will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than disqualification. Any protests arising from the this rule shall be from the Protest Committee or the Race Committee. This changes ISSA 16 and RRS 60

### 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

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 0900 on the day it will take effect. However, the sailing instructions may be modified on the water without such notice pursuant to Section 3.2, below.
- 3.2 SI's amended on the water shall be signaled with a third substitute and a sound signal, after which umpires and race committee with notify all teams verbally.

### 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, May 4

- 0800 – Registration and rigging of boats
- 0830 – Competitor meeting. All competitors shall attend the competitor meeting.
- 0915 – First warning. Races will continue throughout the day.
- End of day....debrief with Umpires, attendance optional. Time TBD.

## **Sunday, May 5**

0730 – Morning coffee with Umpires, attendance optional

0800—Rigging of boats

0900 – Warning signal for first race

1430 – 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. The Race Committee may change the leg of a course by changing the position of the next mark or finishing line, but no mark may be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. There will be no visual or audible signal for a course change. This changes RRS 33.

### **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 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. Any such changes may be communicated verbally to all teams.

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.

### **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 RRS 32.1 and Race Signals. The umpires may also communicate abandonment.

## **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 RRS D2.6 is changed to “When a boat protests, and an umpire displays a yellow flag with one long sound signal indicating he has insufficient facts to make a decision, the protesting boat is entitled to a hearing according to D1.2e.” The following cited text located in ISSA PR Appendix 7 shall not apply, “If there is a YELLOW flag, or no response from an umpire, the protesting boat may initiate a protest after the race. She must comply with PR 16 (b) and notify the Race Committee and the protested boat of her intent to protest”.
- 13.2 RRS D1.2(e) applies to all protests and requests for redress. Protests need not be in writing. It will be the intention of the umpires to hear any protests on the water immediately after the race is finished. Per Procedural Rule 8(b), competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.”
- 13.2 Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the regatta office on the first floor of the Belmont Station Clubhouse. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat finishes in the round in which the incident occurred, or 30 minutes after the Race Committee docks if it is the last round of the day. The race committee shall be notified of a boat’s intention to request for redress

## **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 2 teams will be granted invitations to the ISSA Baker Championship. The next teams (places 3 and 4) will be granted invitations to the ISSA NIT Championship. Berths must be accepted in accordance with MISSA Rule 5.11 or they will be reassigned.

## **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

