

# MISSA BAKER CENTRAL LEAGUE QUALIFIER

Lake Forest Sailing

April 22 – 23, 2023

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 Rules

- a. The event is governed by the rules as defined in:
  1. The Racing Rules of Sailing
  2. The prescriptions of US Sailing except for the prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4
  3. The ISSA Procedural Rules
  4. The [MISSA Supplemental Rules](#)
  5. The Notice of Race (NOR)
  6. These Sailing Instructions (SI)
  7. Appendix P shall be applied as modified by ISSA procedural rule 14.
- b. Under RRS 70.5(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or a request for redress. US Sailing's permission has been granted.
- c. Races will be umpired per RRS D2. The umpires will constitute the Protest Committee for this event.
- d. If there is a conflict between rules in these documents, the Sailing Instructions take precedence, followed by the RRS. This changes RRS 63.7.
- e. The following rules are changed or removed for this event:
  1. RRS D4.2(b) is changed by SI 8
  2. ISSA PR 16 does not apply to any actions invoked in RRS Appendix D.
  3. ISSA PR 17 and 18 do not apply.
  4. ISSA PR Appendix 1 does not apply.

### 2 Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- a. Any change made to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect,
- b. Changes made to SI 8 may be made on the water, and will be effective immediately.
- c. Any other changes to the SI will be posted before 900 on the day it will take effect, or they will be made on the water.

### 3 Communications with Competitors

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board online at: <https://scores.hssailing.org/s23/missa-central-baker-qualifier/>
- b. On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 72.

### 4 Code of Conduct and Sportsmanship

- a. ISSA PR 5.1 applies in addition to the below statements of this section.
- b. Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship.

- c. Any collision shall be reported to the LFS Staff or Race Committee immediately after a race is concluded.

### **5 Signals Made Ashore**

- a. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Lake Forest Launch Basin Hoist at the West wall of the launch basin.
- b. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

### **6 Boats Provided by the Organizing Authority (OA)**

- a. The boats have been equalized in performance potential to the extent possible and organized into fleets.
- b. An alternate boat may be substituted in case of breakdown.
- c. Claims regarding the performance of the boats will not be grounds for a redress request. This changes rule 62.1(a).

### **7 Schedule of Race**

- a. A meeting of all competitors will be held each day at the Lake Forest Beach Basin Pavilion at 0830. Attendance by all teams is required.
- b. A briefing with the umpires will be part of the competitor's meeting.
- c. The approximate time of the warning signal for the first race will be announced at the competitor's meeting. The projected time will be 0930.

Saturday, April 22

0800 – Registration and rigging of boats

0830 – Competitor meeting. All competitors shall attend the competitor meeting.

0930 – (projected time) First warning. Races will continue throughout the day.

Sunday, April 23

0800 – Rigging of boats

0830 – Competitor meeting. All competitors shall attend the competitor meeting.

0930 – (Projected time) Warning Signal for first race.

1600 – No race will start after this time

### **8 Regatta Format**

- a. The intended, initial format for the event is:
  - 1. Two round-robins amongst all teams. This may be altered to one round-robin at any time given time constraints.
  - 2. Any ties between teams in contention for fifth place in the event will be broken by ISSA PR 12.1.

3. There is an option to have the remaining top (6) six teams in a single Championship round-robin.
4. Scores carry forward from SI 8.a into the Championship round-robin.
- b. The OA, in consultation with the MISSA Representative, Principal Race Officer and the Chief Umpire, may terminate or alter the format in progress, change assigned boats, change the order of races or make such other arrangements as may be necessary to conclude the event. This changes D4.2(b) and ISSA PR 12.3.

## **9 Racing Area**

- a. The racing area will be on the open waters of Lake Michigan east of Lake Forest Launch Basin.

## **10 Course**

- a. The course used for the event will be a Digital N.

## **11 Marks**

- a. Marks 1,2,3 and 4 will be red inflatable marks.
- b. The start mark will be a red inflatable mark with a silver stripe along the equator of the spherical mark.
- c. The finish mark will be a red inflatable mark with a silver stripe along the equator of the spherical mark.
- d. The OA may change the shape & color of any mark of the course.

## **12 The Start**

- a. The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- b. A boat that does not start within 2 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing and scored according to RRS Appendix D3.1(a).

## **13 Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

- a. The Race Committee may change a leg of the course that begins at a rounding mark by changing the position of the next mark or the finishing line, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates.
- b. Subsequent legs may be changed to maintain the course configuration. There will be no visual or audible signals for a course change. No leg of the course will be deleted. This changes RRS 32 and 33.

## **14 The Finish**

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

## **15 Damage and Breakdowns**

- a. When damage occurs or is likely to have occurred, regardless of whether a boat been penalized or an umpire has instructed a boat to report to the Bosun, LFS Staff or Race

Committee for damage inspection, that boat shall report to the Bosun immediately at the end of her rotation on the water.

## **16 Hearing Requests**

- a. Hearing requests will comply with RRS Appendix D 1.2(e).
- b. Hearings will be held on the water during rotations or ashore at the Lake Forest Sailing Shed.

## **17 Support Persons**

- a. All coaches shall assist when and where necessary for safety or at the request of the Race Committee. Failure to do so may result in exclusion from the racecourse.
- b. Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first race start until all boats have finished, retired, or the race committee signals a postponement, or abandonment.
- c. The following limitations and restrictions apply to coaches and any coach/support vessels:
  1. Support and spectator vessels shall not approach closer than 50 meters to any boat that is racing.
  2. In addition, a support vessel shall stay at least 50 meters outside any layline and shall not be located directly above any windward marks or finishing line.

## **18 Risk Statement**

- a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.
- b. The OA will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

## **19 Further Information**

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