

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2018 BIG 12 OPEN REGATTA
Hosted by the Kansas Sailing Foundation
At Perry Yacht Club
September 15th & 16th, 2018

1 RULES:

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the ICSA Procedural Rules, and these Sailing Instructions.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

2.1 Official notices including changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board located in the PYC pavilion.

3 SCHEDULE:

3.1 Saturday, 9/15/18

0900 - Check in / Registration / Rigging /

1000 - Competitors' meeting/ Boat assignments/ Launching of boats

1100 - First warning signal

3.2 Sunday, 9/16/18

0830 – 0900 - Rigging / Launching of boats

0930 - First warning signal

1300 - No race will start after this time

3.3 There will be two (2) scored divisions, A & B. The same number of races in each division will be scored. The race committee is planning for three races in each Division per rotation. In the event that either division sails more races than the other, the last race(s) sailed will be dropped.

3.4 The final set of races at the end of each day for each division may consist of one, two or three races, as determined by the Regatta Chair.

3.5 A Division and B Division participants must be unique, but additional Team members can substitute in throughout the event.

3.6 There will be a C Division for additional sailors that will be sailed as an open division of the regatta. The C Fleet Race committee will attempt to rotate all remaining sailors regardless of school into boats to sail races.

3.7 Boats will be randomly assigned to each team at the competitors meeting. Teams will retain that boat for all races that day in each rotation of A, B Divisions. C Division sailors will share and rotate boats between all C division competitors regardless of school.

3.8 Teams are required to safely and expeditiously switch divisions per schedule (or RC hailing) and properly rotate boats with other Division at completion of each race set. Races will not be delayed for stragglers. Upon completion of each set of races, teams must immediately return to the rotation area, the floating dock. When a new rotation is announced, each team is

responsible to be prepared and make a “pit stop” like switch - with boats remaining in the water and immediately returning to the starting area.

4 COURSES AND MARKS:

4.1 Windward-leeward “WL” courses with start and finish in the middle will typically be used. There may be an offset mark to port of the windward mark. Course “WL-W” with upwind finish may be used depending on wind direction and wind strength; the course for each race will be announced by the race committee via loudhailer prior to each race and may be posted on the RC boat.

4.2 All marks will be red, yellow, or orange inflatable. Marks will be described at the competitors’ meeting.

4.3 Per ICSA PR 18 (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.

5 SHORTENING AND ABANDONING RACES:

5.1 Per ICSA PR 18 (c), races may be abandoned at the Race Committee’s discretion in the event of dying breeze or an excessive wind shift. No signals are required. Races may not be shortened.

6 START, FINISH, AND RECALLS:

6.1 Races will start in accordance with ICSA PR 18(b). A three minute starting sequence will be used, a manual whistle/horn system.

6.2 The start line will be between a yellow flag on the race committee boat and a red/orange inflatable buoy.

6.3 The finish line will be between a yellow flag on the finish boat and a red inflatable buoy.

6.4 Individual recalls will be made in accordance with ICSA PR 18(b). If any boat is over early at the starting signal, Code Flag X will be displayed until the earlier to occur of (a) all boats have started properly or (b) 2 minutes after the starting signal. The race committee will attempt to hail any offending boats, however the onus is on the sailors to start properly.

6.5 General recalls will be signaled by a series of short whistles signals; First Repeater need not be displayed per ICSA PR 18(b). After any general recall, the 1-minute rule shall be in effect for the subsequent start(s) of that race; the round the ends provision of RRS 30.1 shall apply except Flag I need not be displayed in accordance with ICSA PR 18(b).

7 BREAKDOWNS:

7.1 Breakdown requests shall be filed in the same manner as protests. Breakdowns shall be scored in accordance with ICSA PR 20. Compensation shall be consistent with ICSA PR 20(c).

8 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES:

8.1 The Two-Turns Penalty (720), RRS 44.2, shall be used.

9 PROTESTS:

9.1 Protests procedure will be in accordance with ICSA PR.

9.2 Competitors shall not communicate with a coach before reporting to the race committee their intent to protest.

10 SCORING:

10.1 Scoring will be done using the Low Point Scoring System. No throw-outs.

11 COACHING:

11.1 Coaches, team leaders, or other support personnel shall not coach in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing personnel.

11.2 Competitors may receive coaching, including instruction, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore at on the PYC docks.

12 SAFETY:

12.1 Competitors shall wear USCG approved Type III lifejackets.

12.2 Competitors are requested to wear school pinnies/colors, or similar matching color outershirt, or PFD.

12.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee either before leaving the course, or if that is impossible, immediately after arriving ashore.

12.4 Racing may be postponed or cancelled for the day if (a) the sustained winds exceed 20 knots OR gusts exceed 22 knots, or (b) if the Regatta Chair determines that conditions warrant postponement or cancellation.

12.5 Any boat that capsizes and is not re-righted with both sailors in the cockpit within 2 minutes after the race committee observes the capsize condition may be scored DNF for that race, at which time the sailors will accept assistance from a safety boat.

13 REGATTA PARTICIPATION FORMS:

13.1 Each competitor must read and sign PYC Liability Waiver form.

13.2 Each coach or team must complete Record of Participation form for the team on Techscore.

14 EQUIPMENT:

14.1 All equipment has been equalized as best as possible. All equipment shall be cared for as if it is your own. Collisions between boats are to be strictly avoided. Regatta Chairperson is granted ability to assess damage incurred and assign fee to team in order to repair or replace.

14.2 Any discrepancies shall be reported to designated RC member and/or noted on clipboard near location of boats.

14.3 All boats and equipment will be properly returned (onto dock or dollies, sails into assigned bags, ect.) per RC direction at end of each day.