2006 International One Design Class
North American Invitational Regatta

Hosted by the Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
Organizing Authority: Yachting Management Limited

11th – 13th August 2006

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Abbreviations:
RBYC Royal Bermuda Yacht Club
OA Organizing Authority (Yachting Management Limited)
BSA Bermuda Sailing Association (National Authority)
NoR Notice of Race
SI Sailing Instruction (‘s)
ISAF International Sailing Federation
BCA Bermuda IOD Class Association

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Attention is drawn to ISAF RRS 4 (Decision to Race)

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, the International One Design Constitution and Championship Regulations, and the NoR except as any of these are altered by the SI’s. Where there is conflict between the NoR and the SI’s the SI’s will prevail.

1.2 No BSA prescriptions will apply.

1.3 RRS 44.1 is changed to make the penalty for breaking a Rule of RRS Part 2 while racing a “one-turn” penalty. RRS 44.2 is changed to define a One-Turn penalty as being one turn in the same direction, including one tack and one gybe. All other provisions of RRS 44 remain in effect.

1.4 RRS 62.1 is changed by adding section: (e) physical damage not falling within rule 62.1 (b) which was due to defective supplied equipment and which a reasonably competent crew would not have been able to avoid or promptly repair.

1.5 RRS 62.2 and RRS 66 will be changed to shorten the times for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be reopened on the last day of racing.
2. **NOTICES**
Notices to competitors and changes in the SI’s will be posted on the official regatta notice board located in the lobby of the RBYC.

3. **SKIPPERS’ MEETINGS**
A Skippers’ meeting will be held at 0900 on Friday, August 11th at the RBYC in the Trophy Room or on the Terrace.

4. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
4.1 Any change to the SI’s will be posted before 0900 on the day that it will take effect, except that changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.
4.2 When SI 6.3.2 or 6.3.3 takes effect, it is possible that the resulting change will not be so posted.

5. **SKIPPERS, ALLOCATION OF BOATS, SAILS AND RESTRICTIONS THEREON**
5.1 Boats will be provided by the BCA. Boats will be prepared and managed by the BCA Technical Committee [Tech Comm].
5.2 No skipper will be permitted to sail his or her personal boat during the regatta.
5.3 Boats, together with their sails (except spinnakers) and running rigging will be exchanged each in accordance with a boat rotation draw that will be held at the Skippers Meeting on Friday August 11th at the RBYC. The boat assignments for each race, as decided by the drawing, will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
5.4 Races will be sailed in numerical order. If a race is postponed or abandoned, when racing resumes, the postponed race will be the next race sailed.
5.5 Boats shall be raced “as is.” They have been tuned and prepared as equally as possible. Competitors may not seek redress for errors or omission on the part of the OA in preparing the boats. (Modifies RRS 62.1.)
5.6 Decisions concerning the use of spare boats will be made by the Tech Comm in conjunction with the Jury.
5.7 Should a competitor be required to sail a boat other than that originally drawn for a particular race due to SI’s 5.6 and 7.3.2 or 7.3.3, this will not constitute grounds for redress.
5.8 Each boat will be provided with one mainsail, one jib and one spinnaker. No other sails shall be used without the written permission of the Jury. Such permission may be retroactive.
5.9 Each team will be provided one spinnaker for the entire regatta. In strong winds spinnaker restrictions may be imposed. (see SI 11)
5.10 Teams may use their own spinnaker sheets, spinnaker turtle or other launching device
5.11 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be carried while afloat.
5.12 “Roll-tacking,” by using the shrouds of a boat as a way of supporting a crewmember’s weight outboard of the plane defined by the extension of a boat’s topsides, is prohibited and is subject to protest.
5.13 Competitors may not add additional purchase to any of the boat’s running rigging.
5.14 In addition to the restrictions mentioned above and the restrictions of Championship Regulation 18 (as modified by 8.13), unless written permission is given by the Jury, no boat shall be modified or caused to be modified except that:
   a) A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars.
   b) Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat. However, no hole may be made in any sail for any purpose, even the attachment of telltales.
   c) Above the painted waterline only, hulls, sails and equipment may be cleaned only with non-abrasive materials.
d) Adhesive tape may be used anywhere above the painted water line. Any adhesive tape added by a team should be removed before the boat is exchanged or put away for the evening. Adhesive tape should not be applied to varnished surfaces.
e) All fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted in accordance with class rules may be adjusted within the limits provided, except that shrouds, jumper stays and forestays shall not be adjusted.

5.15 Breakdown Declarations - Each skipper will be provided with breakdown report declarations for boat condition statements. The breakdown report declarations (one per race/boat) shall be completed according to instructions, signed and handed over to the Technical Committee representative immediately after each day of racing. A team that does not submit their breakdown form(s) to the Technical Committee after the racing will be scored DNF for all races sailed that day. Any breakdown of gear, loss of equipment or damage, whether materially affecting a boat’s performance or not, must be stated in the breakdown report declarations. Failing to do so will be regarded as a violation of the rules and will subject the skipper to protest and possible disqualification.

6. RACING AREA
The racing area will be in the Great Sound.

7. SIGNALS
7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RBYC flagstaff.
7.2 Signals made afloat will be displayed from the Committee Boat and/or from an Official Boat or Boats as specified in S.I. 21.
7.3 RRS Race Signals is modified so that:

7.3.1 When Code Flag “A.P.” is displayed ashore, the first scheduled warning signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after it is lowered.
7.3.2 When Code Flag “A.P.” over “A” is displayed, all races not started are postponed to the next period in the Schedule of Races. Races will be sailed in the order originally scheduled.
7.3.3 When Code Flag “N” over “A” is displayed, all races are abandoned and will be re-sailed in the next available period in the Schedule of Races. Races will be sailed in the order originally scheduled.

8. THE COURSE
8.1 Courses are shown in SI Appendix 2A.
8.2 The Course shall be displayed on the course board on the Committee Boat next to the Class Insignia and may be accompanied by the letter ‘W’.
8.2.1 When the letter ‘W’ is so displayed, boats will sail the course displayed, AND will sail one additional windward leg, finishing to windward of Mark 1.
8.3 The length of the windward leg and of the course will be at the discretion of the Race Committee.

9. MARKS
The Start / Finish marks will be Orange inflatable tetrahedral buoys.
Marks 1, 2 and 3 will be Yellow inflatable tetrahedral buoys.
The change of course mark will be a Red inflatable tetrahedral buoy.

10. SCHEDULE
10.1 Races will be sailed back-to-back in accordance with SI Appendix 1A.

11. I.O.D. CLASS RESTRICTIONS IN CASE OF STRONG WINDS
When Code Flag “W” is displayed with the warning signal, spinnakers shall not
12. **THE START**
12.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26. In addition, a series of short sound signals may be made 1 minute before each warning signal.
12.2 Before each warning signal the Committee Boat will display the approximate magnetic bearing from the starting line to the windward mark.
12.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her start will be scored DNS. This changes RRS A4
12.4 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat at the starboard end, and an orange inflatable tetrahedral buoy at the port end.
12.5 The starting line will be as shown in SI Appendix 2A.
12.6 The Race Committee will endeavor to notify boats, which are OCS by using VHF International Channel 73. This procedure is offered as a courtesy to competitors and any failure therein will not be grounds for redress. OCS boats are not relieved of their responsibility under RRS 29.1 by this SI.

13. **CHANGING THE COURSE**
13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and will remove the original mark as soon as practicable. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
13.2 The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position.
13.3 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

14. **THE FINISH**
14.1 The Finishing Line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the Race Committee or Official Boat and an orange inflatable tetrahedral buoy.
14.2 The Finishing Line will be as shown in SI Appendix 2A, except that when S.I. 8.2.1 applies, it will be to windward of Mark 1.

15. **TIME LIMIT**
15.1 The Time Limit for a class race will be one and one half hours after the class starting signal.
15.2 When one or more boats finish within the Time Limit, all boats will be recorded as finishing except that boats finishing after the time limit or more than fifteen minutes after the finish of the first boat in her class, whichever is later, will be scored DNF. This modifies RRS 35.

16. **BREAKDOWNS**
A yacht requesting special consideration due to a breakdown shall make every reasonable attempt to display code flag Q (yellow) from the backstay promptly after the breakdown first occurs and shall keep it flying until acknowledged by the Race Committee. Yachts suffering breakdown must finish the race if at all possible, provided that further serious damage to the yacht will not be incurred. Any breakdown, damage or loss of equipment must be reported in writing immediately upon coming ashore. See SI 5.15.

17. **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
17.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the R.B.Y.C. and lodged at the protest desk at the R.B.Y.C. not later than ninety minutes after the docking of the signal boat. This time will be posted on the RBYC notice board.
17.2 When possible a notice will be posted on the R.B.Y.C. Notice Board as soon as possible after receipt of each protest to inform competitors when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a protest or named as witnesses. This notice constitutes notification of the parties required by RRS 63.2. The Jury will hear protests in the approximate order they are received. If all parties to a protest are present, the Jury may begin a hearing, even though the end of Protest Filing Time has not passed.

17.3 The jury will hear protests as soon as possible in the R.B.Y.C. jury room in approximately the order in which they were lodged.

18. **RETIREMENT**

A competitor who has retired from a race before finishing shall report their retirement to the Race Committee before leaving the Racing Area. Failure to do so may result in a Race Committee protest.

19. **SCORING**

19.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

19.2 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

19.3 When five or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score.

19.4 The boat with the lowest points total will win the series.

19.5 When boats are exchanged, points will accrue to the skipper instead of the boat.

20. **PRIZES**

20.1 The Officers Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the first place team.

20.2 “Keeper” prizes will be awarded to first through third place teams, overall.

20.3 Daily prizes will be awarded to the teams finishing first in each race.

20.4 Other prizes may be awarded.

21. **OFFICIAL BOATS**

Each official boat under the control of the Race Committee, will display an Auxiliary Race Committee Flag (Yellow flag with RC Symbol).