SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
INTERNATIONAL ONE-DESIGN CLASS
2017 NORTH AMERICAN INVITATIONAL

September 14-17, 2017
Fishers Island, NY

Fishers Island Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (OA) for this event.

The notation ‘[DP]’ in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES
1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and by the IOD Class Rules.
1.2 The regatta will be governed by the International One-Design World Class Association Championship Regulations, as approved at the 2017 class annual general meeting. (This changes the Notice of Race).

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS
Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Fishers Island Yacht Club. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or other notices.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted before 0830hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000hrs on the day before it will take effect.
3.2 Oral changes to the SIs may be given on the water provided they are communicated with each team.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE
4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the mast at Fishers Island Yacht Club.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES
5.1 Dates of Racing
   Friday, September 15    Skippers Meeting 0830hrs, racing to follow.
   Saturday, September 16  Racing
   Sunday, September 17    Racing
5.2 A maximum of eight races are scheduled, of which four must be completed to constitute a series. The Race Committee may adjust the starting time and number of races held each day at its sole discretion in an effort to maximize the number of races conducted except that no more than four races may be held per day unless agreed by all participants.
5.3 The scheduled start of the first race each day is 1030hrs.
5.4 No warning signal shall be made on Sunday, September 17th, after 1400hrs.

6. CLASS FLAG
Class flag will be a white flag with the IC symbol in black.

7. RACING AREA
Racing will be conducted on Fishers Island Sound. The race committee will advise the fleet on VHF channel 01A at 0900hrs each day of the intended starting area as boats depart for the day’s racing.

8. THE COURSES
8.1 The courses will be either Windward/Leeward or Modified Olympic courses as diagrammed in RRS Appendix S.
8.2 No later than the warning signal for each race, the race committee will post the designated course, ‘W/L’ for Windward/Leeward or ‘O’ or Modified Olympic, the approximate bearing and distance to the first mark and the number of legs to be sailed.
8.3 An offset mark may be used at the windward mark. If there is a change of course, there may not be an offset mark at the changed mark.
8.4 The leeward mark may be a gate. In the event that only 1 leeward mark is laid it shall be rounded to port.

9. THE MARKS
9.1 Turning marks will be orange inflatable marks.
9.2 In the event of a change of course, the change mark will be yellow inflatable marks.

10. THE START
10.1 The starting line will be between the course side of the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the nearby yellow starting mark.
10.2 A boat which starts later than 10 minutes after the starting line will be scored a DNS without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and RRS A5.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE
11.1 When a change of course is signaled, the new mark will be a yellow mark.
11.2 If there is a change of course there may not be an offset mark.
11.3 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH
The Finish line will be between the course side of the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and the course side of the nearby yellow finish mark.

13. TIME LIMIT
The time limit for each race will be 2.5 hours.

14. PENALTIES WHILE RACING
The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: ‘A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when
she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.’

15. PROTESTS
13.1 Boats intending to protest must advise the race committee immediately upon finishing the race in which the infringement occurred. [DP]
13.2 Protest forms are available at the race office located at FIYC. Protest, requests for redress or reopening, or scoring inquires shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
13.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The race committee will post the protest time limit.
13.4 The race committee will post a list of boats with assigned starting or finishing penalties no later than the protest time limit.
13.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
13.6 As soon as practical after the protest time limit, the protest committee will post a notice to inform competitors of the schedule of hearings. Hearings will be held at FIYC.
13.7 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry, it will review its records and respond as soon as practical.

16. RETIREMENT
A competitor who has retired shall inform the race committee by any means possible before leaving the racecourse. [DP]

17. SCORING
Scoring shall be in accordance with RRS Appendix A and IOD World Class Association Championship Regulations, Section 7.

18. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT
18.1 The regatta will be sailed in boats supplied by the OA.
18.2 The boats will be rotated for each race according to the draw held at the Skippers Meeting.
18.3 If a competitor is required to sail a boat (spare boat) other than originally scheduled, this will not be grounds for redress.

19. SAIL RESTRICTIONS IN CASE OF STRONG WINDS
When Code Flag ‘W’ is displayed with the warning signal or at a windward mark with multiple sound signals, spinnakers shall not be hoisted during that race unless Code Flag ‘O’ is subsequently displayed, with multiple sound signals, at a windward mark.

20. BREAKDOWN
20.1 A boat suffering a breakdown shall notify the Race Committee at the first possible opportunity.
Following a race a boat suffering a breakdown shall inform the Race Committee of their breakdown.
20.2 Breakdown scoring shall be at the discretion of the protest committee.

21. DAMAGE REPORTS AND PENALTIES
21.1 Submission of a Damage Report for each boat sailed at the end of sailing each day is mandatory.
21.2 The Damage Report shall comprise a declaration on a form provided by the Organizing Authority to be signed by each skipper, whether there is a damage or not. On this form each skipper shall EITHER declare that the boat he sailed bears no performance-impairing conditions OR describe sustained damage. In addition, an oral report shall be made to the OA representative performing the boat change.
21.3 The Damage Report for a race that is the final race of the day must be completed, signed and returned to the Regatta Office desk no later than the protest time limit.

21.4 The penalty for non-compliance will be DSQ at the discretion of the protest committee without a hearing.

21.5 If an untimely or inaccurate declaration or non-declaration causes the OA to withdraw a boat from competition for repairs, and if there is no replacement boat, the skipper who last sailed the affected boat shall not compete in any further races until that boat or a replacement boat becomes available and that skipper will be scored DNC for those races not sailed.

21.6 If there is unreported or incorrectly reported damage, it will be subject to SI 18.3.

22. SPARE BOATS AND DAMAGE

22.1 The OA will provide a minimum of one spare boat.

22.2 The ability of a boat to sail will be determined by the Organizing Authority at its discretion.

22.3 If one boat becomes un-sailable, a spare boat will replace that boat in the schedule until the original boat is repaired. This will not be grounds for redress.

22.4 If more than one boat becomes un-sailable and there are sufficient spare boats, the Organizing Authority will, at its discretion determine which spare boat will replace the original boat in the schedule.

22.5 If there are more un-sailable boats than spare boats:

22.5(a) Competitors already governed by SI 18.3 will remain so governed.

22.5(b) All competitors who are scheduled to sail boats that are un-sailable shall drop out of the racing schedule until either the original boat is repaired or a spare boat is available.

22.6 Competitors prevented from racing because of pre-existing unreported damage will automatically receive redress for each race missed. If redress is awarded in any race or races using this SI to determine average points, the average will be computed according to CR 7.4(b), using all the races sailed except the race or races in question. This changes RRS rule 64.2.

23. REDRESS

23.1 In the event of a breakdown of a boat through no fault of the team sailing her, the helmsman may apply for breakdown points by filing for redress.

23.2 At the discretion of the Jury redress will be granted in accordance with RRS rule 62.1 (e) or CR 7.4

24. CREW SUBSTITUTION

Request for crew substitution shall be made in writing to the Organizing Authority before 0900 on the day it is to take place. Decisions to allow a change of crew will be at the sole discretion of the protest committee. This changes CR 5.3.

25. HAUL OUT AND OTHER RESTRICTIONS

25.1 No boat shall be hauled out at any time without the written permission of the OA. [DP]

25.2 Competitors are prohibited from cleaning hulls below the waterline.

26. RADIO COMMUNICATION

26.1 Boats are required to carry an operational marine VHF radio. The Race Committee will make fleet announcements on VHF channel 01A indicating the course to be sailed when posted and to attempt to notify boats that are OCS.

26.2 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

26.3 A boats failure to hear a broadcast by the race committee shall not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS rule 62.
27. PRIZES
Prizes will be awarded to the top three series finishers, and the winner will be presented the Officers’ Perpetual Trophy, a crystal set of sails mounted on a hexagonal wood base.

28. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

29. FURTHER INFORMATION
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