

SYC J-22 Club Sailing Championships

November 4th & 5th, 2023

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to the following rules shall apply: 25.1, 32, 34, 60.3, 61.4, 63.1, 63.2, 64.4(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 81, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix G and R. These prescriptions are available from the US Sailing website at <u>www.ussailing.org</u>.
- 1.3 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2
- 1.4 Changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall have precedence.
- 1.5 When the protest committee decides that a boat has broken a rule of Part 4, it is not required to disqualify the party, but may impose a lesser penalty or issue a warning. This changes RRS 64.
- 1.6 The regatta will be sailed on J-22s provided by SYC
- 1.7 Competitors are responsible for all equipment provided with the boats. Competitors will be financially responsible for replacement any equipment lost or damaged during the regatta.
- 1.8 Competitors may only adjust running rigging, jib cars, and the motor assembly. Competitors may also remove water from the boats. No other changes or adjustments are permitted.
- 1.9 Adjustments by a competitor to any standing rigging, fixed hardware, foils or bottom, including cleaning or lubrication will result in disqualification from the regatta.
- 1.10 Competitors may be required to sail different boats during the regatta. Any action by a competitor to disadvantage another competitor following them on a boat will result in disqualification from the regatta.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board. The official notice board will be located at the south entrance of the Seattle Yacht Club Portage Bay clubhouse and optionally on the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org.
- 2.2 The race committee may provide unofficial communication at any time by hail or over VHF 72. Any communication not governed by the rules is unofficial communication. A request for redress may not be based

on any aspect of unofficial communication, including content, timeliness, existence, or failure to hear. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions posted on the official notice board will be posted by 0900 the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 the day before it will take effect.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 The schedule is as follows:

<u>Saturday</u>	
1000	Competitors Meeting-Jr. Clubhouse
1200	First warning signal
1800	No warning signal after this time

<u>Sunday</u>	
1200	First warning signal
1600	No warning signal after this time
After Racing	Awards at SYC Mainstation

4.2 Six races are scheduled.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 There is no provision for signals made ashore. Signals may be made aboard *m/v Portage Bay* while in her slip in the Portage Bay Marina

6 RACING AREA AND RACE COMMITTEE SIGNAL BOAT

- 6.1 The racing area is Lake Union South of the Lake Union Test Area.
- 6.2 The race committee signal boat will be the Seattle Yacht Club M/V *Portage Bay*. If necessary, an alternate race committee signal boat may be used. The race committee signal boat will display the Seattle Yacht Club burgee and a blue "R/C" flag or sign.

7 COURSES

- 7.1 Courses will be signaled from a reader board on the race committee signal boat. The reader board will have one row.
- 7.2 The course description on the reader board will be a single number, either 1, 2, or 3. Race Courses are specified in Attachment A: Course Diagrams.
- 7.4 All rounding marks shall be left to port.
- 7.5 If a mark has been substituted by an object displaying flag M, the attachment of a buoy, including the original mark, to the object will not be considered temporary or

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accidental for its purpose of identification or protection, and the buoy will be considered part of the mark.

7.6 If a starting or finishing mark is substituted by an object displaying flag M, repetitive sound signals are not required. This changes RRS 34.

8 THE START

- 8.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the start/finish mark buoy.
- 8.3 If a boat is subject to RRS 29.1, Individual Recall, or RRS 30, Starting Penalties, the race committee may attempt to hail her sail number directly and/or on VHF 72. This is unofficial communication as in Sailing Instructions 2.2.
- 8.4 A boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes RRS A5.
- 8.5 A boat whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area when other boats are racing but have not yet started.
- 8.6 The race committee signal boat, when a starting mark, may maneuver to maintain the starting line at any time, including while anchored.

9 THE FINISH

- 9.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a Orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the start/finish mark buoy.
- 9.2 The race committee may adjust the finishing marks to maintain the finishing line at any time without regard to RRS 33.

10 TIME LIMIT

- 10.1 The time limit is the maximum allowable time from a boat's starting signal to her finish time.
- 10.2 The time limit will be 45 minutes.
- 10.3 A boat that does not finish within her time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.

11 PROTESTS

- 11.1 A boat intending to protest or request redress for an incident that occurred while racing must orally notify the race committee on the signal boat as soon as reasonably possible after retiring or finishing by hail or VHF 72 until she receives an oral confirmation from the race committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 11.2 Written protests and requests for redress must be delivered within the protest time limit to the front desk of the Seattle Yacht Club Portage Bay clubhouse.
- 11.3 The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board after racing. The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the end of the last race of the day or 15 minutes after the posting of the time limit, whichever is later.

11.4 Hearing notices will be posted on the official notice board within 5 minutes after the protest time limit to inform parties of the time and place of the hearing. Hearings may commence at any time if parties are present and prepared; otherwise, hearings may be scheduled as early as 10 minutes after the protest time limit. The posting of hearing notices shall be considered notice as required by RRS 63.2.

12 SCORING

- 12.1 Boats will be scored using the low points scoring system. First Place will receive one (1) point, Second two (2) points, etc.
- 12.2 All races will be included in a boat's overall score, there will be no throw-outs. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 12.3 A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS, OCS), did not finish (DNF), did not sail the course (NSC), retired (RET), or is disqualified (DSQ, DNE, DGM, BFD) will be scored the number of finishers plus one. This changes RRS A5.2, and A5.3.

13 EQUIPMENT AND OPERATING REQUIREMENTS

- 13.1 Boats must check in with the race committee signal boat at the starting area before their warning signal. Boats should check in by hail, unless safety requires checking in by VHF 72.
- 13.2 A boat that retires while racing must orally notify the race committee as soon as reasonably possible after retiring by hail or VHF 72.
- 13.3 Neither PIYASR nor OSR equipment requirements apply.
- 13.4 Boats must comply with U.S. Coast Guard regulations.

14 PARTY AND AWARDS

14.1 Party and awards at Seattle Yacht Club in the Marine room, or on the deck off the Marine room.



Attachment A: Course Diagrams

Buoy Course Marks (position relative to R/C)

