



**2016 J/80 North American Championship
National Yacht Club - Toronto, Ontario
August 4-7, 2016**



Sailing Instructions

The Organizing Authority for this event is the National Yacht Club (NYC) and the J/80 Canadian Class Association.

[DP] denotes a rule for which a penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee (see SI 15)

[NP] denotes that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat

1. RULES

- 1.1 The races will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada will apply.
- 1.3 The International J/80 Class rules will apply.
- 1.4 The Regatta is a "Member" event in accordance with J/80 Class Rules (CR) C.3.
- 1.5 In case of differences between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will apply.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Chart Room.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the NYC flagpole directly to the west of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When the 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 The schedule time of the warning signal for the first race of the day will be 1030.
- 5.2 Twelve (12) races are scheduled for the regatta with no more than five (5) races per day.
- 5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least 4 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500.

6. CLASS FLAG

The Class flag will be Numeral Pennant 1.

7. RACING AREA

The starting area will be located on a bearing of approximately 210 magnetic, 1.6nm from the entrance to NYC. See Map at attachment B.

8. THE COURSE

- 8.1 The diagram in attachment A show the course, including the approximate angles between the legs, the order in which the marks to be passed and the side on which mark shall be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 8.3 If only one leeward mark is present it shall be left to port.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Marks 1, offset, 2S and 2P will be yellow inflatable.
- 9.2 The starting and finish marks will be race committee vessels
- 9.3 The new mark as provided in Instruction 11 will be a red inflatable.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using the rule 26 with the warning signal 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying the orange flags on the starting marks.
- 10.3 At the starting line the Race Committee (R/C) may place a Distance Mark adjacent to the Committee vessel. Boats shall not pass between the Distance Mark and the Committee boat. The Distance Mark is not a mark of the course.
- 10.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.
- 10.5 When an individual recall is signalled, the race committee will attempt to hail the bow numbers that are OCS over the VHF channel 72. See also instruction 24.2.

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the R/C will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original marks as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee vessel signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

12. THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between the staffs displaying the orange flag on the R/C vessels.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that a boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.
- 13.2 Rule 44.1 is changed to permit a boat that has broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 to take a scoring penalty after racing but prior to any protest hearing. Her penalty shall be a scoring penalty as calculated in 44.3(c) equal to 30% of the number of entries in the championship. However, if she causes injury or serious damage or gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach, her penalty shall be to retire.

14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The mark 1 time limit will be 30 minutes. If no boat has passed mark 1 within the time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 2 hours after the start of the race will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35 and A5.
- 14.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first finisher will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4, and A5.

15. ARBITRATION

- 15.1 For a protest between two boats alleging a breach of a rule of part 2 or rule 31, an arbitration meeting may be held prior to any protest hearing.
- 15.2 One representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator. NO witnesses will be permitted.
- 15.3 The arbitrator will advise on whether:
 - 15.3.1 One or both boats should take a penalty;
 - 15.3.2 The protest should be withdrawn; or
 - 15.3.3 The protest should go to the protest committee for a hearing.
- 15.4 The arbitrator may allow the protest to be withdrawn. This changes rule 63.1.
- 15.5 When a protest is withdrawn, it will not be reopened or made the subject of a request for redress.
- 15.6 The penalty will be calculated according to instruction 13.2.
- 15.7 The arbitrator may attend the full hearing.
- 15.8 Arbitration meetings may be held prior to the expiry of the protest time provided all parties are present and agree.

16. PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk in the chart room, located on the ground floor of the National Yacht Club. Protests and request for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 16.2 Protests shall be lodged in writing at the protest desk within one (1) hour of: a) the time of the last boat to finish the last race of the day on the protesting boat's course, or b) expiry of the time limit if that terminated the last race of the day, or c) abandonment of racing for the day on the protesting boat's course, whichever is applicable.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the boardroom of the National Yacht Club, immediately thereafter.
- 16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).
- 16.5 Breaches of instructions 17, 18, 19, and 20 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 61.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing request for reopening of a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day: (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

17. SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point System, RRS Appendix A will apply, except that if six (6) or more races are completed, each boat series shall be a total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 17.2 One (1) race will constitute a series. This changes RRS A2.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP] [NP]

- 18.1 Boats shall check in and receive acknowledgement from the race committee before the first race of the day, or before returning to the race area if the boat has left for repair or any other reason.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

19. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorised by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment maybe inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by the race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

21. EVENT ADVERTISING [NP]

Boats shall display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority, along with bow numbers. Description of the placement of the event advertising and bow numbers will be supplied in the skipper's package.

22. TRASH DISPOSAL [DP] [NP]

Trash may be placed aboard official boats.

23. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP] [NP]

All boats must be in the water from 0900 Friday August 5th until the conclusion of the regatta, unless specific prior permission, in writing, is obtained from the race committee.

24. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS [NP]

- 24.1 The race committee broadcasts and hails will be made over VHF channel 72.
- 24.2 Race Committee broadcasts regarding its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, recalls etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of the race committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast, shall not be considered grounds for redress.
- 24.3 Except in 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 telephones.

25. PRIZES

- 25.1 Daily prizes and series prizes will be awarded.
- 25.2 Additional prizes maybe awarded by the organizing authority.

26. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

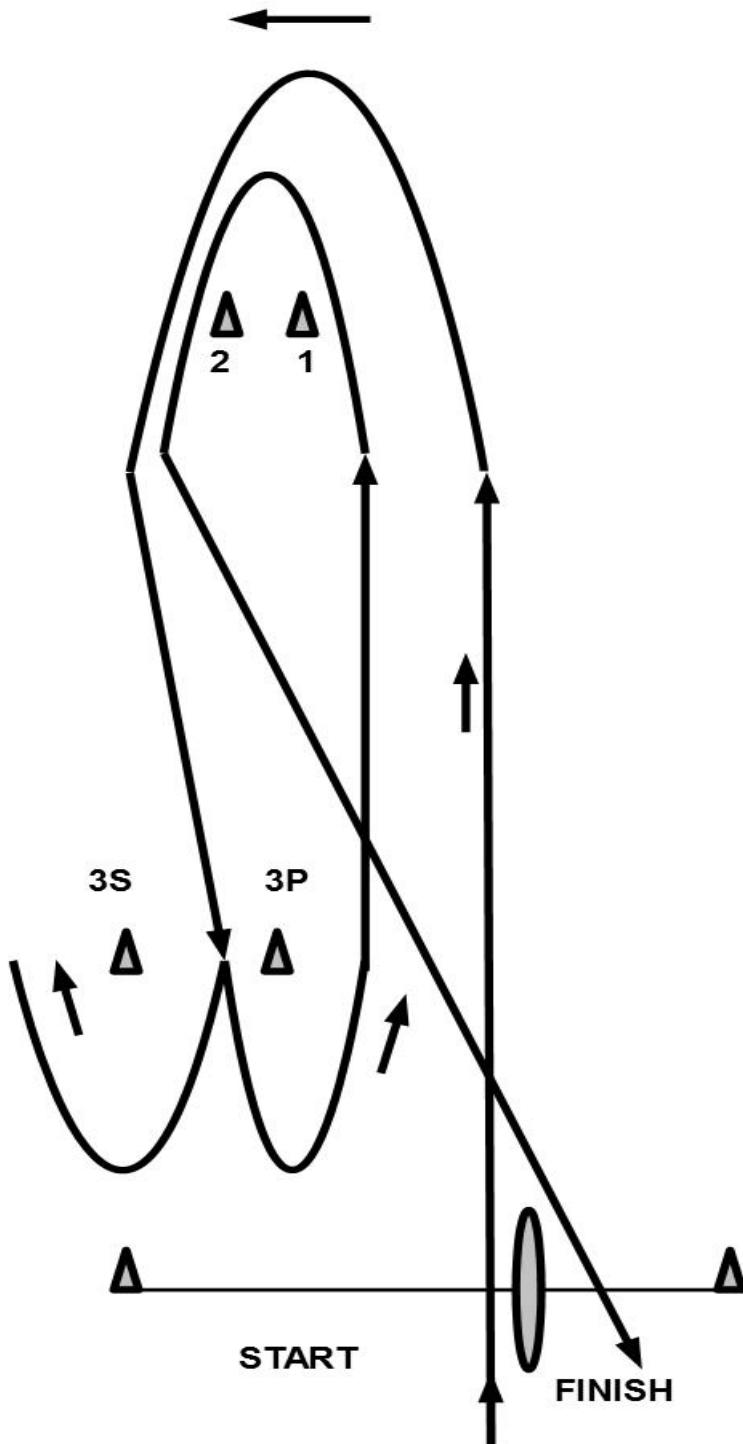
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

27. INSURANCE [DP]

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance with a minimum coverage of CND \$2 million for Canadian boats and USD\$350,000 for US boats. Each boat shall present proof of current marine insurance, of the minimum value stated, either electronically prior to or in person upon check-in at the event.

Attachment A - The Course to be sailed

The diagram shows the course, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left. The course to be sailed will be as follows: Start – 1 – 2 – 3s/3p – 1- 2 – Finish.



Attachment B – Location of the Course

