

## ALLISON JOLLY REGATTA

St. Petersburg Yacht Club

St. Petersburg, Florida

April 30 and May 1, 2016

### OPTIMIST SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2013-2016.

1.2 A boat intending to protest shall inform the race committee finish boat of her intention to protest immediately after finishing and include the sail number of the protested boat. This changes RRS 61.

1.3 RRS 61(2) will be changed to require a boat to display a red flag if she intends to protest concerning an incident in the racing area.

1.4 If there is a conflict between the Sailing Instructions and any other document governing the event, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center (SPSC).

#### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official notice board at least 60 minutes before the first scheduled warning on the day of the race.

#### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a flagstaff at SPSC.

4.2 When flag "AP" is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with not less than 30 minutes. This changes Race Signals AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, April 30, 2016

1030-11:45	Check-in at SPSC
noon	Competitors Meeting and group picture (SPSC)/Lunch on the water
1330	Warning signal for first race of the day

Sunday, May 1, 2016

0830	Continental Breakfast at SPSC
0930	Warning signal for the first race of the day
1200	No warning signal will be made after this time Prizes and Awards Party at SPSC as soon as possible after racing.

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

The Optimist Class Flag will be used for the Red, White and Blue Fleet. The RWB fleet will **not** fly streamers.

A solid Pink flag will be used as the class flag for the Green Fleet. All Green fleet competitors will be required to fly a pink streamer provided at check-in.

## 7. RACING AREAS

The racing area will be in the vicinity of the municipal pier.

## 8. THE COURSE

8.1 The diagram in the Appendix A shows the courses for all fleets, the order in which marks are to be passed and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the courses for the RWB Fleet and the Green Fleet will be displayed on a board on the race committee signal boat.

## 9. MARKS

9.1 The Start and Finish line marks will be yellow tetrahedrons.

9.2 Marks 1 and 3 will be orange tomatoes.

9.3 Mark 2 will be an inflated Blue Whale.

9.4 New marks, as provided in SI 11.1 will be green tetrahedrons.

## 10. STARTS

10.1 Races will be started using Rule 26.

10.2 The starting line will be between the course side of a pole displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port end starting mark.

10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A4 and A5.

10.4 The order of starts will be: First start RWB fleets and second start Green fleet.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

11.2 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an **original** mark.

11.3 To change the last leg of the course, the race committee may move the finishing line.

## 12. FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between the course side of a pole displaying an orange flag on a race committee finish boat and the course side of a port end finish mark

## 13. TIME LIMITS

13.1 The time limit will be 60 minutes for the first boat to sail the course and finish.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

## 14. PROTESTS

14.1 Protest forms will be available next to the official notice board at SPSC.

14.2 Protests shall be delivered within 45 minutes of the posted docking time of the finish boat to a protest committee representative stationed at the official notice board and remain there until protest time limit is over.

14.3 Protests will be heard in the approximate order of receipt. The time and place of the protest hearings

will be posted on the official notice board no later than 15 minutes after the end of protest time for each fleet.

## 15. SCORING

15.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that no score will be excluded unless **five (5)** or more races are completed.

15.2 **One** completed race will constitute a regatta.

## 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 When instructed by the shore crew at SPSC each competitor will check out with the Safety Officer just prior to launch. Immediately upon returning to SPSC each competitor is required to check in with the Safety Officer.

16.2 Before retiring from a race and leaving the race course, a competitor, the competitor's coach or a safety person shall notify the race committee. If this is impossible, the competitor shall report to the safety coordinator at SPSC immediately upon arriving ashore.

16.3 If the race committee signal boat displays flag L prior to a warning signal, each boat shall sail past the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her sail number until it is acknowledged by the race committee.

16.4 In addition to IODA Class Rules 4.2 (a), (b), 4.3 (a) and (b), each competitor must wear a US Coast Guard Approved lifejacket from dock to dock except, temporarily, when adding or removing clothing. A whistle must be attached with a line to each competitor's body or clothing.

16.5 Competitors not complying with this instruction may be given a penalty, without a hearing, of five (5) points for each race in which they have failed to observe this instruction. This changes RRS A4, and A5.

16.6 Parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of the sailor, which means that they must make the decision whether their sailor(s) can handle the conditions at the beginning of the day. The sailor will make this decision while on the water.

16.7 The Race Committee will communicate on VHF Channel 63.

## 17. SUPPORT BOATS

17.1 All RWB fleet coach boats and all support boats shall stay clear of the racing area at all times while boats are racing.

17.2 Green Fleet coach boats may coach the bottom 50% of the green fleet without disturbing the other competitors on the course.

## 18. PRIZES

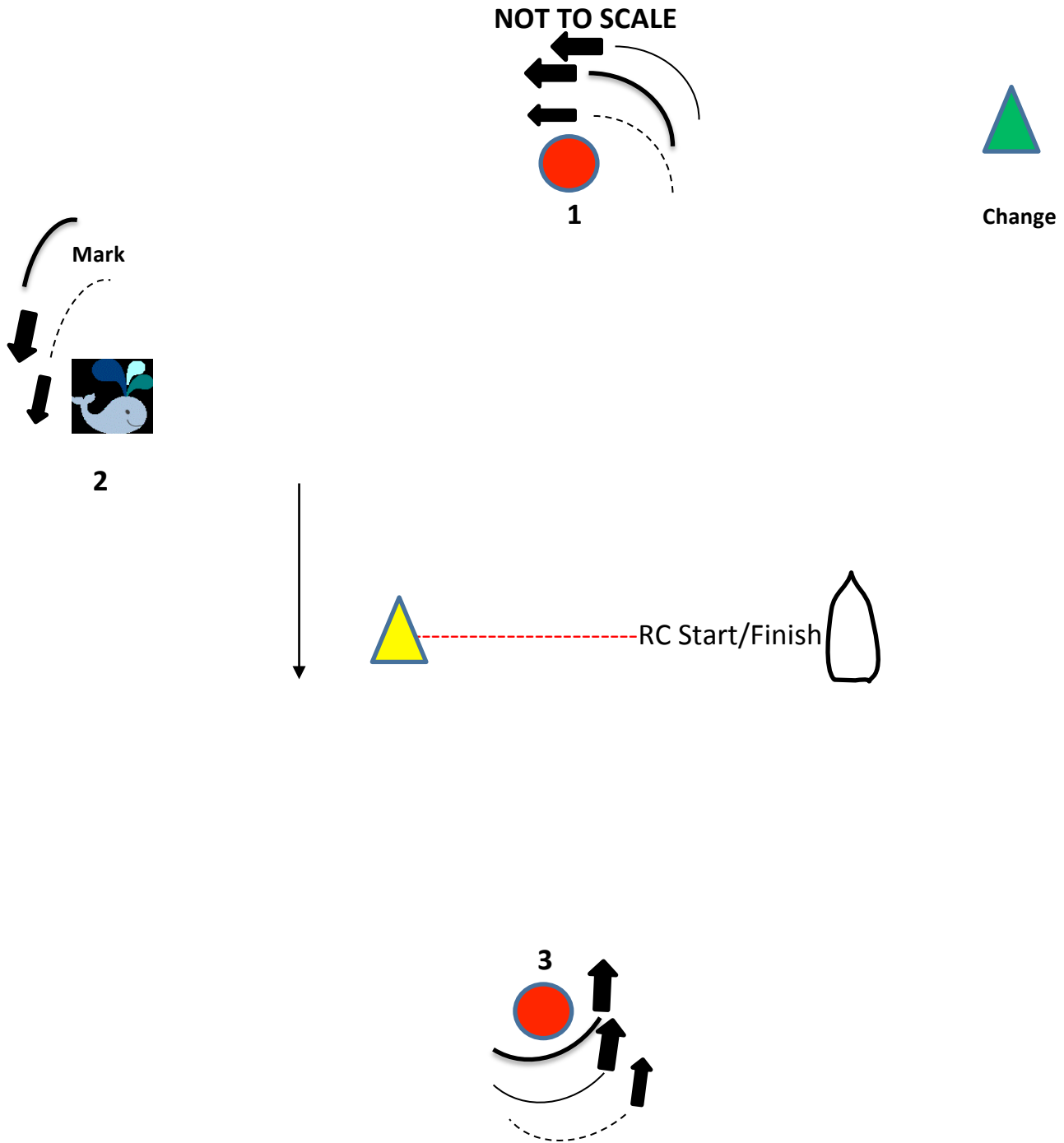
18.1 Prizes will be given as designated in the Notice of Race (NOR).

## 19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

19.1 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.

19.2 Parents/guardians of competitors shall sign a legal liability waiver.

# Appendix A – Course Diagram



All rounding marks will be left to port.

Course 1: Start-1-2-3-Finish -----

Course 2: Start-1-2-3-1-3-Finish ==