J/105 North American Championship Little Traverse Yacht Club

Harbor Springs, Michigan

July 26-29, 2018

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS,2

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the J/105 Class Association Rules (CR).
- 1.2 The Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) will apply except for Section B.
- 1.3 The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of Class Rules other than CR 7.2,7.5,7.6, or 7.9, or other non-part 2 rules of the RRS.
- 1.4 RRS Appendix V will apply. Appendix V is a US Sailing Prescription.
- 1.5 The following rules are changed:

35 see SI 16.2 60.1 (b) see SI 17.5 62 see SI 28.3 62.2 and 66 see SI 17.6

64.1 see SI 1.3 A2 see SI 18.2

A4 & A5 see SI 16.2 and 18.3 Race Signals see SI 4.2

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which will be electronic on yachtscoring.com: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4490

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the Little Traverse Yacht Club and broadcast on VHF 68
- 4.2 At 0930 each day the Race Committee will signal with one sound and announce on VHF 68 a Harbor Start. Postponement or abandonment may be signaled instead of the Harbor Start and announced on VHF 68. If the AP (postponement) signal is displayed ashore, the first warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after the AP is lowered. This modifies RRS-Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1	Wednesday, July 25	1200-1900	Inspection/Sail Measurement	Irish Boat Shop
		1500-1900	Registration	LYYC
	Thursday, July 26	0800-0900	Registration	LTYC
		1000	Competitors Meeting	LTYC
		1300 .	First Warning	
	Friday, July 27	1100	First Warning	
	Saturday, July 28	1100	First Warning	

- 5.2 A maximum of 11 races are scheduled.
- 5.3 On the last day of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1430.
- 5.4 Flag A displayed with no sound, while boats are finishing means "No more racing today".

6 BOAT IDENTIFICATION

At all times during the regatta, boats shall display bow numbers supplied by the organizing authority. The top of the bow number will be within 6" of the deck and the forward edge of the bow number will be within 12" of the bow.

7 CLASS FLAG

Will be the J/105 class insignia.

8. RACING AREA

Will be in Little Traverse Bay, West of LTYC fixed mark M located at approximately 45°23.4'N 85°00.8'W

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 Courses will be windward/leeward, 4 or 5 legs, with marks left to port. An offset mark may be set at the windward mark. If no offset is in place, boats shall round the single windward mark. A leeward mark will be set to windward of the starting line. The leeward mark may be a gate. If no gate is in place, the single leeward mark should be rounded to port. The leeward mark or gate is not part of legs 1,3 and 4 on a 4 leg course; and is not part of legs 1, 3 and 5 on a 5 leg course.
- 9.2 A course board will display the number of legs and the approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles to the windward mark. For example, "4" would indicate 4 legs: windward, leeward, windward and finish to leeward at the Race Committee boat.

10 MARKS

Marks will be inflatable marks, with descriptions to be posted.

11 THE START

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat at the Pin end, or the course side of an inflatable mark.

12 RECALLS

Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee may attempt to hail and/or broadcast, on VHF 68 the recalled boat's bow or sail number, but is under no obligation to do so. Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification shall not relieve her of the obligation to start correctly and shall not be grounds for redress.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 In the event of a windward mark change during a race, the new windward mark will be a different color.
- 13.2 In the event the leeward mark, or gate, or finish line is changed, the original marks will be moved.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The leeward finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee signal boat and a nearby inflatable mark on the opposite side of the race committee signal boat from the starting line. The leeward finish line will be to leeward of the leeward mark or gate.
- 14.2 A windward finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the windward mark.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 See SI 1.4
- 15.2 CR 7.7 applies

16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 A race in which no boat rounds the windward mark within 35 minutes after the start will be abandoned.
- Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes, will be scored points equal to the last finisher plus two without a hearing.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the Regatta Desk. Protests, and requests for redress or reopening, shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 17.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the docking time of the Signal Boat after the last race of the day.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room on the second floor of the LTYC Clubhouse as soon as possible thereafter.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee, or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.5 Breaches of instructions 6, 21, 22, 24, 25,27 and 28 will not be grounds for protest by a competitor.
- 17.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request for redress or reopening a protest hearing shall be delivered:
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting redress or reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 One completed race will constitute a regatta.
- 18.2 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores without exclusion.
- 18.3 Boats scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) will be scored two points more than the number of finishers, but will not be scored worse than DNF.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 19.1 Prior to the first warning signal each day, each boat is required to check in by passing the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her bow number.
- 19.2 Boats retiring from a race or leaving and returning to the racing area shall inform the race committee on VHF as soon as possible.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of competitors or lost or damaged equipment will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee and in compliance with CR.

21 BERTHING, EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 21.1 Boats will be assigned a docking position at the Irish Boat Shop marina, which must be used for the entire event.
- 21.2 On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or technical committee, to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.
- 21.3 Ashore, equipment may be inspected or measured at times specified in the CR, the Notice of Race or at the discretion of the race committee or technical committee.

22 EVENT ADVERTISING

Subject to World Sailing (WS) Regulation 20, boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken WS regulation 20.9 applies.

23 OFFICIAL BOATS

Race committee boats will display a blue "RC" flag.

24 SUPPORT BOATS

- 24.1 Coach and support boats will stay outside of areas where boats are racing from the preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 24.2 Support boats shall comply with CR 7.10

25 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 25.1 See rule 55.
- 25.2 This regatta is run in conjunction with the 2018 LTYC Annual Regatta which is certified as a Clean Regatta. Please visit: http://sailorsforthesea.org/programs/clean-regattas for further information.
- 25.3 Michigan law prohibits the discharge of sewage from yachts. Yachts participating in this Regatta are subject to inspection for compliance with the law.

26 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 26.1 Except for any specific exception granted by the race committee, all entered boats shall be in the water continuously from 1800 Wednesday, July 25 for the duration of the event.
- 26.2 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of, prior written permission of the race committee. In the case of an emergency, permission may be granted retroactively.

27 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent, shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal for the first race and the end of the regatta.

28 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 28.1 Except in an emergency, boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications that are not available to all boats.
- 28.2 Race committee will communicate with competitors on VHF channel 68.
- 28.3 The race committee intends to use VHF radio to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS calls and other race related information. Failure to broadcast or failure of a boat to hear broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress.

29 PRIZES

Prizes will be presented to the top five boats. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

30 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.

31 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US\$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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