

## **The IOD Class North American Invitational 2022**

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a protest committee may penalize a boat for breaking that rule after taking evidence. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

#### **1 RULES**

**1.1** The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**1.2** RRS 62.1 and RRS 62.2 are changed as shown below.

RRS 62.1 is changed by adding:(e) physical damage not falling within rule 62.1(b) which was due to defective supplied equipment and which a reasonably competent crew would not have been able to avoid or promptly repair.

#### **2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**2.1** 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.

#### **3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS**

**3.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the [official electronic notice board](#). This may be accessed anytime with this QR code.

**3.2** On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on US channel 65.

**3.3** While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## **4 CODE OF CONDUCT**

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

## **5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

**5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at *the flagpole at The Northeast Harbor Fleet*

**5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than *60* minutes' in Race Signals AP.

## **6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

**6.1** *Friday, September 9 – First Warning at 1030. As many races as practical follow*

*Saturday, September 10 – First Warning at 1030. As many races as practical follow.*

*Sunday, September 11 - First Warning at 1030. No races will start after 1400.*

**6.1** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is *1030*.

**6.2** To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one electronic sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

**6.3** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after *1400*.

## **7 CLASS FLAGS**

The Class IC emblem displayed in black on a white pennant field.

## **8 RACING AREA**

The racing areas are the waters surrounding Mt Desert Island. This includes but is not limited to the Eastern Way, the Western Way,

Somes Sound and the Great Harbor of Mt Desert. A chart of buoys with approximate locations is available with this QR code.



## 9 COURSES

**9.1** Courses will be displayed on a rack located on the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to the Warning signal, with the first mark to be rounded on top. Marks shall be rounded to port, unless the letter "S", indicating "Round this specific mark to Starboard" is placed beside the mark letter. Courses may include turns around islands and shoals as well as government marks and/or NEH Fleet marks. See Mark Descriptions for Racing.

**9.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate distance and compass bearing of the first leg if a portable mark is used.

## 10 MARKS

**10.1** [Marks are as described in this document.](#) And, you can access it with this QR code.



**10.2** The **first** windward mark of each race will additionally have an inflatable offset mark to be left to port.

## 11 OBSTRUCTIONS

All government navigational buoys except those shown as racing marks E, P, I, R and Q must be observed unless they are posted as rounding marks of the course. EVERY PORSCHE IS REALLY QUICK.

## **12 THE START**

- 12.1** Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made *five* minutes before the starting signal.
- 12.2** The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 12.3** If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number and/or boat name. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 12.4** A boat that does not start within *five* minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

The RC may signal a change of course by announcing the change on VHF 65 before any boat begins that leg of the course. The remaining buoys to be rounded will be displayed from top to bottom in the course rack on the signal boat. This changes RRS 33.

## **14 THE FINISH**

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 15.1** The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, applies. The penalty is *five* places. Competitors taking a penalty shall display a yellow flag immediately at the time of the incident or, before the expiration of Protest Time at the conclusion of that day's racing. This changes RRS 44.3.
- 15.2** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **16 TIME LIMITS**

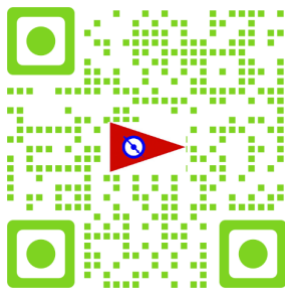
The Finishing Window of **Two Hours** is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for the

finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the Finishing Window. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

## **17 HEARING REQUESTS**

**17.1** The protest time limit is **30** minutes after the RC Signal boat secures to its mooring or dock or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted electronically on the official notice board.

**17.2** Hearing request forms are available *electronically* or from the RC boat. Use this QR code.



**17.3** Notices will be posted no later than 10 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held *immediately* in the protest room, located at the *upstairs room at the Fleet House*.

## **18 SCORING**

**18.1** The Low Point Scoring System shall apply.

**18.2** *Two* races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

**18.3** A boat's series score is the total of her race scores without discard.

**18.4** Rule A5.3 applies.

## **19 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

**19.1** All competitors shall wear personal floatation devices while racing.

**19.2** [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

**19.3** If the Race Committee signals that spinnakers shall not be flown and displays code flag H over A, competitors shall no longer sail the race with a spinnaker flying. This signal will also be announced by

broadcast on VHF 65. If the Race Committee subsequently signals that spinnakers may be flown and displays code flag H over L, boats may sail with a spinnaker flying. This signal will also be announced by broadcast on VHF 65.

**19.4** These spinnaker signals may be made before the start or at any time during the race.

## **20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

**20.1** Substitution of competitors is allowed. The number of competitors on board during the Series of Races shall remain consistent.

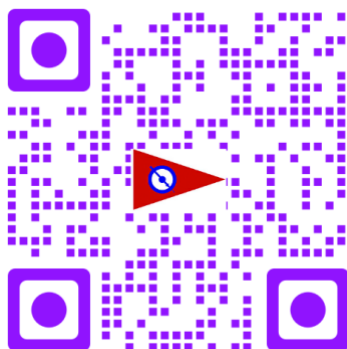
**20.2** [DP] Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is not allowed unless authorized by the *boatswain*. Requests for substitution shall be made to the boatswain at the first reasonable opportunity, which may be after the race.

## **21 SUPPLIED BOATS**

**21.1** Boats will be supplied by the organizing authority. See Addendum A regarding care of the boats.

**21.2** [DP] Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

**21.3** [DP] Each competitor shall complete a boat status review form which shall be received by the RC and the Boatswain at the end of each day. The deadline for submission is 45 minutes after the RC Signal boat arrives at its mooring. The form is available by using this QR code.



## **22 ROCK VESSELS**

Competitors may be escorted near shorelines by boats with chart plotters and experienced sailors on board. These boats are operating in an advisory capacity only and are not official boats of the Race Committee. Ignore them at your own peril...

## **23 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard any spectating vessels. Please remember that the Northeast Harbor Fleet is a pack in/pack out sort of Facility. Please reduce the amount of waste which you produce daily and dispose of it all at your home. Many thanks in advance for your cooperation with our initiative.

## **24 DIVING**

IODs shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means during the event

## **25 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given for the top three teams of competitors.

## **26 RISK STATEMENT**

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by

other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

#### **KEY PERSONNEL CONTACT INFO**

**Event Chair- Steve Madeira**

**Email- [steve@mudslides.com](mailto:steve@mudslides.com) Cell- 650.255.5455**

**Questions about housing, lunch and shore side activities should be addressed to Steve.**

**RC Principal Race Officer- Franny Charles**

**Email- [fcharles@mit.edu](mailto:fcharles@mit.edu) Cell- 857.221.0828**

**Questions about the NoR, Sis or scoring should be addressed to Franny. If the question and answer are pertinent to all competitors, they will be posted on the electronic notice board and on the What's App communication portal.**

**Boatswain- David Folger**

**Email- [d.folgersmail@gmail.com](mailto:d.folgersmail@gmail.com) Cell 207.479.0085**

**Questions about Boats and Equipment should be addressed to Dave. We have two boats as spares for this event and they will be substituted with the approval of the boatswain only.**

**Chief Judge- Bob Duffy via Zoom**

**Email- [r.duffy2@icloud.com](mailto:r.duffy2@icloud.com)**

**Jurists- Gilmour Manual, Tom Brown**

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**Questions about the Rules and their interpretation should be addressed to Bob and he will share with all jurists.**

## **SI ADDENDUM A**

### **BOATS SUPPLIED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

#### **A1 BOATS**

- A1.1** Boats will be supplied for all competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way except that
- (a) a compass which does **not** function with GPS and location may be tied or taped to the hull or spars;
  - (b) wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat;
  - (c) hulls above the waterline may be cleaned, but only with water;
  - (d) tape may be used anywhere above the water line and shall be removed by the competitors when they are done using the boat;
  - (e) all fittings or equipment designed to be adjusted may be adjusted.
- A1.2** All equipment supplied with the boat for sailing purposes shall remain in the boat while afloat. This includes not tampering with electric bilge pumps nor their fuse or power supply. Competitors are encouraged to not overtax the wood booms with vang in breeze and be supportive of the rig downwind with some backstay kept on slightly.
- A1.3** The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions is disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.
- A1.4** Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied

that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, is disqualification from the race most recently sailed.