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# 2022 RHODES 19 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Organizing Authority Chicago Rhodes 19 Fleet 12 Hosted by

# THE CHICAGO CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB

Chicago, Illinois, USA August 15 To August 19, 2022

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

# 1 RULES

- **1.1** This event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- **1.2** RRS 61.1(a) (2) is deleted. A protesting boat needs to display a red flag.
- 1.3 The Rhodes 19 Class Rule RE 32.03 is changed as follows:One U.S.C.G. Approved PFD of Type I, II, or III per crewmember One U.S.C.G. Approved PFD of Type 4 (Throwable)
- 1.4 The Rhodes 19 Class Rule RC 27.00 is changed as follows:[DP] Each boat shall carry an operable VHF radio.
- **1.5** [DP] Protocols relating to COVID-19 may be published at any time and shall have the status of a rule.

# 2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 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 shall be posted on the official notice board located on the North wall of the club's main assembly area.
- **3.2** On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and make courtesy broadcasts with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- **3.3** [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.
- **3.4** [DP] From the time a boat leaves the dock until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, all forms of wireless device usage is prohibited.

# 4 CODE OF CONDUCT

- **4.1** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.
- **4.2** [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with all local Covid regulations. A list of regulations in effect shall be posted on the official notice board.

# 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **5.1** Signals made ashore shall be displayed on the flagstaff facing the waterfront of the clubhouse.
- **5.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

# 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 Race Schedule

Tuesday, August 16	1400	Practice Race
Wednesday, August 17	1100	Up to a maximum of four races
Thursday, August 18	1030	Up to a maximum of four races
Friday, August 19	1030	Up to a maximum of three races

- **6.2** The number of races scheduled is 11.
- 6.3 On the last scheduled day of racing, no warning signal shall be made after 14:00.

# 7 CLASS FLAG

**7.1** The class flag is the Rhodes 19 class insignia.

# 8 RACING AREA

The racing area is upon the open waters of Lake Michigan approximately one mile due east of the Montrose Point light.

# 9 COURSES

- **9.1** The diagram in SI Addendum A show the courses including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- **9.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the course, the

approximate compass bearing of the first leg and the distance to the first mark

- **9.3** If an offset mark is missing, boats shall leave the remaining mark to port.
- **9.4** If a gate mark is missing, boats shall leave the remaining mark to port.

# 10 MARKS

- **10.1** The starting mark will be a yellow mark; RC intends to use a yellow robotic mark a.k.a., a Mark Set Bot (MSB) for the starting mark.
- **10.2** The windward mark (W) will be an orange mark; RC intends to use an orange MSB as the windward mark; the windward offset mark will be an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
- **10.3** The leeward gate (LG) will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons.
- **10.4** The finish mark (F) will be a white inflatable tetrahedron.
- **10.5** Routine movement of the MSBs will not be grounds for redress; this includes minor re-adjustments, marks returning to station after being pushed away by a competitor, and collisions with MSBs that are not active marks of the course, presuming these collisions don't cause damage. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and RRS 62.1

#### 11 THE START

- **11.1** 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.
- **11.2** A boat that does not start within ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

# 12 CHANGE TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.
- **12.2** An offset mark, if used, will not be set on a changed leg of the course.

# 13 THE FINISH

- **13.1** COURSE A: The finish line is the same as the start, between a staff displaying an orange flag on the port side of the signal boat, and a floating yellow tetrahedron or yellow MarkSet Bot. When finishing, the signal boat will be to port, and the mark to starboard.
- **13.2** COURSE B: The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the starboard side of the signal boat, and a floating white mark. When finishing, the signal boat will be to starboard, and the mark to port.
- **13.3** COURSE C: The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the port side of the signal boat, and the windward mark.

#### 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS V1 of Appendix V applies.

#### 15 TIME LIMITS

**15.1** The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time	Race Time	Finishing
Limit	Limit	Window
30 minutes	2 hours	30 minutes

- **15.2** If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.
- **15.3** The Finishing Window 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.

#### 16 HEARING REQUESTS

- **16.1** The protest time limit is one hour after the race committee signal boat returns to her mooring. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- **16.2** Hearing request forms are available at the registration desk.
- **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.

#### 17 SCORING

- **17.1** Per Class Rule B 10.00, the regatta will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the RRS using the Low Point Scoring System.
- 17.2 One score shall be excluded if five or more races have been completed.

# **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

[DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee on channel 72 at the first reasonable opportunity.

#### 19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

[DP] Substitution of competitors is not allowed without prior written approval of the judges.

#### 20 BERTHING

- 20.1 [DP] Boats shall be floated by 1700 hours Tuesday, August 16.
- **20.2** Boats shall be kept in mooring areas designated by the harbor master while in the harbor.

# 21 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the judges.

#### 22 PRIZES

The following perpetual trophies will be awarded:

National Championship Trophy – awarded to the overall winner

Cressy Trophy – awarded to the overall 2nd place finisher

**President's Trophy** – awarded each year by the Class President to the class member who has made significant contributions to the Rhodes 19 class

**Don Quixote Trophy** – awarded to the highest finishing competitor who has never finished in the top five in any previous National Regatta

**Novice Trophy** – awarded to the highest finishing competitor who has never competed in the event previously

**Robert Jensen Masters Trophy** – awarded to the highest finishing skipper over sixty years of age

**Corinthian Trophy** – awarded to the highest finishing amateur skipper under 25 years of age

**Travel Trophy** – awarded to the competitor who has traveled the farthest with the greatest effort to attend the regatta

**Wet Bottom Trophy** – awarded to the top finisher who is sailing with bottom paint

Fleet Trophy – presented to the fleet with the best record for its top finishers

#### 23 RISK STATEMENT

**23.1** 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.

#### 24 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury or death.

