# Olivia's Team Racing Invitational (OTRI) July 22-23, 2023 Sailing Instructions

#### 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, Appendix D-Team Racing Rules.

1.2 RRS D1.1(d) is deleted.

- 1.3 RRS 63.4 is deleted.
- 1.4 RRS D5.2 is changed to read "When a boat suffers a breakdown, she may request a score change by informing the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity. If possible, she shall continue racing and inform the race committee after the race."
- 1.5 RRS D1.2(c) is changed to read "A boat intending to request redress in the racing area shall inform the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity. If possible, she shall continue racing and inform the race committee after the race."

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official regatta notice board located below the main deck in the snack bar area of SSA.

#### 3 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally and posted before the first race in which they are to take effect.

## 4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Saturday, July 22nd

0830 Registration & Check-in 0945 Skippers meeting 1000 Harbor Start – Racing to follow

# Sunday, July 23rd

1000 Warning Signal 1<sup>st</sup> Race 1500 Last start of regular round (3 v 3) 1530 Start of Final Round Following racing: refreshments & awards

#### 5 FORMAT

5.1 The regatta will have two phases, 2 vs. 2 random pairs team racing and 3 vs. 3 team racing with assigned teams.

5.2 The random pairs 2 vs. 2 portion of the regatta carry through the first day of racing.

5.3 The second day will be 3 vs. 3 team racing with teams assigned for each race throughout the day.

5.4 Based on the win / loss records from the second day, the final four teams will compete in a single-elimination semifinal with a 3-race final 3v3 match.

5.5 In the event that a 3- race final match is not feasible, the winning team shall be determined by overall record, with head to head matchups as the tiebreaker.

# 6 BOATS & EQUIPMENT

- 6.1 FJs will be provided for all competitors, who shall not modify any boat or cause them to be modified in any way. Competitors have the option of rigging the mainsheet purchase either 3:1 or 4:1.
- 6.2 The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
- 6.3 The penalty for infringing instruction 6.1 or 6.2 will be disqualification from all races sailed in contravention of those instructions.
- 6.4 Competitors shall report all damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the dock/boat committee immediately after arriving on shore or to the Race Committee Finish Boat on

the water.

6.5 Redress may be granted for breakdowns in the provided boats, although competitors are expected to inspect their boats prior to each race and correct anything that can be fixed prior to the race. Breakdown consideration will not be given for the failure of knots (except at the head of the main when it was determined there was not an opportunity to check it), or loss of cotter pins and rings.

## 7 RACING AREA

The Racing Area will be off SSA in the mouth of the Severn River.

#### 8 ROTATION

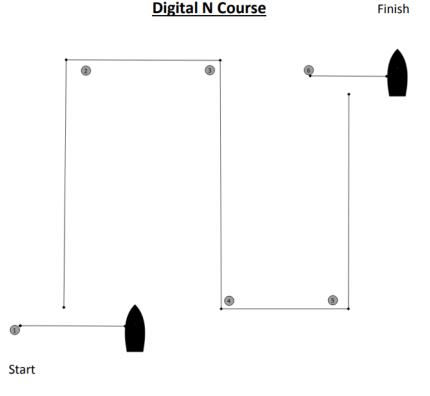
The rotation of boats will be in accordance with the provided rotation sheet available at the competitors' meeting and posted online at the event website. Boat exchanges will occur at locations determined by the PRO and/or Regatta Chair.

## 9 MARKS

All rounding marks will be orange balls. Start/Finish marks will be white balls.

## 10 COURSES

10.1 The course will be the digital N:



10.2 The starting and finishing lines will be between a staff from which an orange flag is displayed and a ball.

#### 11 STARTING SYSTEM

- 11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS Appendix U.
- 11.3 If the Race Committee announces that the sequence is rolling, then the start of one race will be the beginning of the sequence for the next race

# 12 RECALLS

12.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1

#### 13 PROTESTS

- 13.1 A protesting boat shall, at the first reasonable opportunity, inform both the Race Committee Finish Boat and the protested boat of intent to protest. Failure to do so may be grounds for closing the protest (changes RRS 63.5).
- 13.2 Expedited protests shall be held using three minute justice, detailed as follows:
- 13.3 For each protest, the protest committee (PC) will consist of one person appointed by the protesting boat and one person appointed by the protested boat. These people may not be competitors involved in the race in which the incident occurred.
- 13.4 The hearing will begin as soon as all parties are present. If no one raises an objection the protest will be determined to be valid. Each party will be given about 1 minute to state their case. The PC may question the parties and/or call witnesses. Each party will be allowed to ask questions of the other party. The parties are excused. The PC determines the facts and makes their decision. The PC informs the parties of their decision orally.
- 13.5 In the event of damage or injury, a more formal hearing may occur. A competitor may not reopen expedited protest hearings after a decision has been made. (Changes RRS 66)

14 A<u>LTERNATIVE PENALTIES</u>

Alternate penalties in RRS D1.3 may be used.

#### 15 SCORING

- 15.1 RRS D3 and D4 shall be used.
- 15.2 Breakdowns will be scored in accordance with RRS D5.
- 15.3 Boats will be ranked by individual winning percentages for the event.
- 15.4 Ties will be broken in favor of the teams with the most consecutive wins to end the round.

## 16 <u>SAFETY</u>

- 16.1 Competitors who require assistance from rescue boats should so signify by waving arms overhead. A competitor who retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 16.2 Starts will not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats
- 16.3 All competitors are required to wear a USCG approved PFD at all times while afloat.