

# 2009 JACKRABB!T PRELIMINARY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

May 16-17, 2009

#### 1. Rules

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

## 2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located at the waterfront pavilion.

### 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board before 0900 on May 15 and 0800 on May 16, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. There may also be changes subsequent to a Skipper's Meeting. Such changes will be posted within 10 minutes of the conclusion of the Skipper's Meeting. (Changes rule 89.2.c)

### 4. Signals Made Ashore

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff on the docked Race Committee Signal Boat. When the flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 25 minutes' in the race signal AP.

#### 5. Schedule of Races

- **5.1** Six races are planned, with additional races at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 5.2 A Skipper's Meeting will be held on May 16 at 1000 hours in the CYC Pavilion near the waterfront.
- **5.3 Saturday, May 16** The Warning signal for the first race of the day will at **1055** hours. No start will be made after **1600** hours on Saturday.
  - Sunday, May 17 The Warning signal for the first race of the day will at **0855** hours. No start will be made after **1115** hours on Sunday
- **5.4** After a long postponement on the water, to alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, a **White** flag will be displayed with one sound at least 4 minutes before the flag AP is lowered. The **White** flag may be lowered with no sound before the flag AP is lowered

#### 6. Class Flag

The Class Flag will be a J/22 flag.

## 7. Racing Area

The racing area will be on Canandaigua Lake in the area near CYC.

### 8. The Courses

Courses will be windward/leeward as described on Page 3.

#### 9. Marks

Marks will be large tetrahedrons, with the exception of the Offset mark that will be a yellow ball.

#### 10. Special Obstruction

A non-racing vessel whose occupants are actively engaged in the sport of fishing is deemed a *special* obstruction. Racing boats shall maintain a minimum separation of 50 feet in all directions of a fishing vessel.

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#### 11. The Start

**11.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an **Orange** flag on the RC Signal boat at the starboard end and the port end starting mark.

**11.2** A boat starting 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS.

#### 12. The Finish

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an **Orange** flag on the RC boat and the nearest mark.

#### 13. Time Limit

Time limit for the first boat to round the first mark is one hour. Time limit for the first boat to finish is two hours. Any boats finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat will be scored TLE and will be scored one place greater than the last boat to finish within the time limit.

#### 10. Protests:

The Protest Time shall be 30 minutes following the arrival of the Race Committee Signal Boat at the dock following the last race of each day.

### 11. Scoring

- **11.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- **11.2** (a) When fewer than six races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.
  - (b) When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.

#### 12. Safety Regulations

- 12.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- **12.2** Prior to the first start of each morning sequence, all boats shall sail on starboard past the transom of the RC Signal boat to check in. The penalty for failure to check in will be 4 places, if protested.

#### 12. Communications

The Race Committee intends to communicate with competitors via marine VHF radio on a channel that will be announced at the Skippers Meeting. Race Committee may broadcast its intentions, count-down to starts, OCS, etc. as a courtesy. Receiving radio communications from the RC shall not be a violation of RRS 41. If a boat is in breach of RRS 29.1 or 30.1, the RC will attempt to notify her sail number by hailing and by VHF radio. Except in an emergency or to report retirements and protests, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. (This changes rule L 27). Failure of the Race Committee to make a broadcast or failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

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