

## CARLYLE SAILING ASSOCIATION 2017 SUNDAY SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **RACING RULES.** All races will be sailed under the current ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (“RRS”), except as amended herein. If these sailing instructions (“SI”) conflict with the RRS, these instructions shall control to the extent permitted by RRS 86.
2. **ELIGIBILITY.** Race participation eligibility is outlined in Section V - A of the CSA Official Handbook. CSA guest boats may participate in the race program with the consent of the Race Committee (before the Race Committee boat leaves the harbor) and on the advice of the affected fleet.
3. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.** Notices shall be posted on the official bulletin board located adjacent to the pavilion. Alternatively, notices may be disseminated to competitors via the CSA official email listserve at least 48 hours before the affected race.
4. **CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.** Changes shall be disseminated as set forth in Paragraph 3, above or posted on the official bulletin board a minimum of one hour prior to the first affected race. Code Flag “L” shall be flown with one sound to signal a posted change.
5. **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.**
  - 5.1 Location of Signals. Signals may be displayed from the harbor flag pole or the Race Committee boat when berthed.
  - 5.2 Code Flag “B.” Prudent judgment should be exercised in sailing or racing under these prevailing weather conditions. The display of this signal does not relieve sailors of their responsibility under RRS 4, but means that such consideration should be taken.
  - 5.3 Code Flag “L.” A change in the sailing instructions has been posted.
  - 5.4 Harbor Signal. An Orange flag with one sound signal signifies that the Committee Boat is leaving the harbor and the first warning signal will be approximately 30 minutes thereafter. This signal (orange flag) shall be struck, accompanied by one sound, one minute before the first warning signal.
6. **SCHEDULE OF RACES.**
  - 6.1 Club Series Races
    - a. Club Races shall be sailed on Sundays, April through October. Three (3) races shall be sailed each Sunday, conditions permitting; provided, however, **no** buoy Races shall be sailed on the weekends



of the Pursuit Races (Addendum 1), the Whale-of-a-Sail Regatta, or the racing clinic.

- b. The Club Races shall be comprised of three “seasonal series” of approximately two (2) months duration each:

**Spring Series:** 30 April – 25 June (7 club days & 1 pursuit races)

**Summer Series:** 2 July – 27 Aug (7 club days & 2 pursuit races)

**Fall Series:** 3 Sept. – 29 Oct. (6 club days & 2 pursuit races)

- c. Times of the warning signal shall be as follows: The first warning signal shall be no earlier than 1130, and the second race first warning signal shall be no earlier than 1400, with the third race sailed back-to-back. Notwithstanding the foregoing, (a) if the Race Committee does not depart the harbor for a race by 1530, they may abandon racing for the day at that time; (b) no first division warning signal shall be made *after* 1600; and (c) in the event fewer than 6 qualified sailors are prepared to sail at the time the Race Committee is scheduled to leave the harbor, the Race Committee may postpone or cancel such race. The Race Committee may, subject to their discretion based on anticipated weather conditions, start the second race of the day immediately after finishing the first race. The Race Committee shall fly the orange flag indicating to the finishing racers that another race will be sailed.

- 6.2 Pursuit Races. The season shall include five (5) Pursuit Races. Pursuit Races are scheduled for the following days: 18 June, 23 July, 20 August, 24 September and 8 October. The racing format for the Pursuit Races is described in Addendum 1 hereto.

## 7 THE COURSE.

- 7.1 Marks. Up to four (4) rounding marks, to define concentric inner and outer courses, and will be positioned as follows for the morning race:



2 (yellow)

1 (orange)

3 (orange)

!-----() (start/finish)

4 (yellow)

Outer course: Start, 2, 3 (if desired), 4, 2, 4, finish  
Inner course: Start, 1, 3 (if desired), 4, 1, 4, finish

For the afternoon races the configuration will be:

2 (yellow)

1 (orange)

3 (orange)

4 (yellow)

!-----() (start/finish)

Outer course: Start, 2, 3 (if desired), 4, 2, finish  
Inner course: Start, 1, 3 (if desired), 4, 1, finish

Any fleet may elect to use the jibe mark, 3, on their first lap if desired. Unless said fleet informs the Race Committee prior to their sortie, the jibe mark shall not be set.

- a. One orange mark shall define an inner windward mark.
- b. Yellow marks shall be used for an outer course windward mark and common off-wind marks for both courses. All courses shall be windward/leeward unless specified otherwise.
- c. All marks shall be rounded to port.
- d. When the leeward mark is upwind of the start/finish line, the mark shall be placed 30 yards to windward of the committee boat and directly upwind of the committee boat.

Should the cabin fleet desire a long jibe mark to be set for them to have a cabin course, they must notify the Race Committee by 1045. The Race Committee and the cabin fleet shall agree on the mark to be set and the approximate location of the mark.



- 7.2 Start/Finish Lines. For the morning race, the start-finish line will be approximately mid-way up the weather leg. For the afternoon races, the starting-finish line shall be to leeward of the leeward mark. Both shall consist of a spar buoy and the signal mast of the Race Committee boat.
- 7.3 Placard. The Race Committee shall display a placard from the starboard rail of the Committee boat indicating the first two digits of the approximate compass heading to the weather mark.

## 8 THE START.

- 8.1 All series races shall be started in accordance with RRS 26. The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be the starting signal of the preceding class.
- 8.2 Divisions. The Fleets shall be assigned to the following divisions:

<u>Division</u>	<u>Fleet(s)</u>
1	Scows, SJ 21, Misc, Cabin
2	Flying Scot
3	Lightnings
4	Catamarans

Other boats shall be assigned to a specific division by the Race Committee. Each division shall be designated by a numeral pennant. Fleets shall be assigned to sail the inner course (orange windward mark) or the outer course (yellow windward mark).

Each division will have a separate starting sequence per RRS 25, which shall be started in the order set forth above. All boats in a given division shall start at the same time.

- 8.3 Pennants. During the starting sequence, these numeral pennants shall be displayed as the warning signals for the several divisions.
- 8.4 Sounds. Audible signals may be horns, guns or whistles. The signals are for convenience and the absence of signals shall not invalidate a start.
- 8.5 Starting Area. Boats shall keep clear of the starting line or its extensions by a minimum of 30 yards after the initial warning signal is made until the warning signal is made for their division. Offending boats shall be subject to penalty.

## 9 RECALLS.



- 9.1 Individual Recall. The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats via loud hailer and on VHS Channel 72. However, failure to hear said hail is not grounds for redress, and does not relieve a skipper's obligation to start properly.
- 9.2 General Recall. Fleets under general recall shall be re-sequenced to start five (5) minutes after the last scheduled start. The timing sequence shall not stop. This modifies RRS 29.2.
- 10 SHORTENING THE COURSE.** The course may be shortened at a turning mark. A mark-set boat will be stationed near the mark and will be displaying Code Flag S and make periodic bursts of two audible signals. This modifies RRS 32.1. All finishes shall be made at a finish line on the next leg of the race.
- 11 THE FINISH.**
- 11.1 Finish Line. The finish line shall be denoted by the flag staff of a Race Committee boat flying a blue flag and a spar buoy. The Race Committee shall acknowledge each finish. A skipper cannot assume to have finished until his boat is acknowledged.
- 11.2 Back-to-Back Races. If a race is to be sailed back-to-back with the race being completed, the Race Committee shall display the orange flag from the mast of the Committee Boat.
- 12 TIME LIMITS.**
- 12.1 A race shall be abandoned on a fleet basis if no boat of that fleet rounds the first mark within thirty (30) minutes after the fleet's start, or finishes within one-and-one-half (1-1/2) hours. The Race Committee may terminate a race sooner for cause.
- 12.2 Boats not finishing within fifteen (15) minutes of the first finisher of that class shall be scored points equal to one greater than those that finished within that time.
- 12.3 No races shall continue after sundown.
- 13 SAFETY.** All boats participating in the race program must comply with the safety requirements listed in Section IV-D of the CSA Official Handbook. Cabin fleet boats are required to have auxiliary power ready to use in case of emergency and are exempt from carrying a paddle. Failure to display any of the safety equipment specified in Section IV-D of the CSA Official Handbook upon request by a CSA officer, Race Committee member, State or Federal officer shall result in disqualification.
- 14 SCORING.**
- 14.1 Scoring Systems. The scoring system selected by each fleet is subject to the requirements of section V.D of the CSA Official Handbook, except that yachts must sail at least 1/3 of the completed races to qualify for a prize.



The Fleet scoring system and tie-breaking method shall be on file with the CSA Race Committee Scorer prior to the first scheduled race, annually.

- 14.2 Time Limits. Each fleet shall report their qualifiers and winners of each series (i.e, spring, summer, fall and championship) to the CSA Race Committee Scorer within seven (7) days of the last race of that series.
- 14.3 Handicaps. Calculation of scores for those fleets sailing under the Portsmouth or other handicapping systems is the responsibility of those fleets. The Race Committee will supply finish times to those fleets.

## 15 PROTESTS AND PENALTIES.

- 15.1 Penalties. Boats in spinnaker classes, when carrying a spinnaker, any of the catamaran classes, and the cabin fleet may be exonerated by doing one (1) 360 degree turn. This modifies RRS 44 for those classes only.
- 15.2 Protest Notification. The protesting boat, upon finishing the race in which the infraction occurred, shall notify the Race Committee boat of her protest, giving the class and sail number of the protested boat, even if the protested boat has performed penalty turns.
- 15.3 Protest Arbitration. Protests **may** initially be subject to the arbitration procedure of RRS Appendix T, Section D.
- 15.4 Written Protests. The protesting boat may file a written protest, which shall be written on an official USSA protest form and be given to the Protest Committee Chairman personally or by mail postmarked no later than the Tuesday following the incident.
- 15.5 Hearings. Protest hearings shall normally be scheduled on the second and the fourth Sunday of each month, or as soon as practical at the discretion of the Protest Committee Chairman. The Protest Committee Chairman shall notify parties to the protest of the scheduled hearing by mailing or e-mailing written notices to the parties involved. When either skipper cannot attend the protest hearing as scheduled, an alternate date may be selected as long as the protest hearing date is held within one month of the protest filing, and is mutually acceptable to both skippers.
- 15.6 Fleet Protests. All protests arising from suspected violations of class rules or handicap declaration parameters shall be remanded to the appropriate fleet for disposition. The involved fleet shall notify the Protest Committee and the Race Committee of its findings regarding the subject of protest.

- 16 **PRIZES**. Prizes shall be awarded in accordance with Section V.E of the CSA Official Handbook.



## Addendum 1

### 2015 CSA Sailing Instructions Pursuit Race Addendum

This addendum is attached to and a part of the Carlyle Sailing Association 2015 Sailing Instructions ("SI"). The following numbered paragraphs correspond to the numbered paragraphs in the SI. For the Pursuit races these instruction in this Addendum shall take precedence over the corresponding sections of the SI.

1. **SCHEDULE.** Pursuit Races shall be held as indicated in the CSA master schedule, with starts beginning at 1200. A competitors meeting will be held at 1100 at the CSA pavilion to provide course designation, individual start times, and "clock" time coordination. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory to fill out an entry form with your sail number and boat type. After the race each boat shall report back with their finish information.
2. **COURSE.** The course will be defined by a map with compass headings indicated for each leg. Yellow or orange CSA marks will be used as turning marks. Marks shall be rounded to port or starboard as specified on the course diagram.
3. **START.** The starting line shall be between two spherical pink marks lying in a north-south direction off the north shore of the lake adjacent to the CSA pavilion (Mile Marker 2). Each boat shall start in an easterly direction (regardless of the Leg 1 heading) at her assigned starting time.
4. **FINISH.** The finish line is the same line between spherical pink marks as the start line. Each boat shall finish in accordance with the RRS definition of finishing (crossing from the direction of the last turning mark). She shall take her own finishing time (clock time) and note the boats that finished immediately ahead and behind her. These data shall be reported to the race desk in the pavilion or on the hill near the shower house after returning to the harbor.
5. **SAFETY.** In case of heavy or very light wind, a CSA motorboat will be available in the course area to assist.
6. **SCORING AND PRIZES.** Scoring will be performed for prizes within each fleet and for overall prizes for all boats on a given course. In addition, each fleet may elect to score the Pursuit Races as part of the seasonal series described in SI.





## Addendum 2

### Common Nautical Flags

