



2024 International Star Class District 6 Championship
Puget Sound Fleet
May 18th-19th, 2024
Shilshole Bay Marina, Seattle, WA
Sailing Instructions (SIs)

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA) Puget Sound Star Fleet.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and STCR.
- 1.2. US Sailing Prescriptions that will apply [RRS 25.1, 32, 34, 60.3, 61.4, 63.1, 63.2, 64.4(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 81, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix G and R.] Inclusion of additional prescriptions may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. US Sailing prescriptions are available at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.3. RRS Appendix P will apply. RRS P2.2 and P2.3 will not apply. RRS P2.1 is changed so that it will apply to the first and subsequent penalties. See also SI 3.3.
- 1.4. STCR 34.3.1 changes RRS 32 to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.5. Per STCR 34.3.1, RRS 33b will apply; leg length may be changed within the parameters of the Format being sailed.
- 1.6. STCR 34.6.3 changes RRS 35, RRS A5, and RRS A10 to provide that boats not finishing within the stated time in the STCR after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored "TLE" as defined therein.
- 1.7. STCR 35.5 changes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.8. STCR 34.3.9 Format C is changed so that a leg is not less than 0.75nm. The leg length will be up to the discretion of the RC and the conditions available.

2. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

- 2.1. Any change to the SI will be approved by the Principal Race Officer (PRO), and will be posted by 9:00 A.M. on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 6:00 P.M. on the day before it will take effect. Failure to post notices on the regatta website will not be ground for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 2.2. Any change to the SI will be posted inside CYC on the lower level where the event has space allocated.

3. Communication with Competitors

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted inside CYC on the lower floor.
- 3.2. On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors and Support Persons via VHF radio on channel 69.
- 3.3. Boats may be hailed over early by Race Officials by sail number.
- 3.4. Failure of any information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. Information gathered on any other VHF channel or RC communication channel shall not be grounds for



redress, except when a request for redress under this instruction is initiated by the RC or the jury. These changes are added to RRS 62.1.

3.5. Location of the race office is the office of C.Y.C. Located on the upper floor of the clubhouse.

4. Code of Conduct

4.1. Competitors and Support Persons shall comply with reasonable requests from Race Officials. Note RRS 37.

5. Team Weight

5.1. All teams must demonstrate compliance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to the end of measurement, at 9:00 A.M. May 18th.

5.2. Available measurement times are during May 17th 4:00 to 7:00 P.M., and during May 18th 9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

6. Equipment

6.1. Sails with incorrect numbers must be reported to the race committee before Saturday morning, May 18th, at 9:00 A.M.

7. Signals Made Ashore

7.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the RC vessel.

7.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in Race Signals AP.

8. Schedule

8.1. 6 (six) races, per STCR 27, are scheduled.

8.2. The RC may change the schedule. During Saturday, May 18th, 3 races are scheduled, and during Sunday, May 19th, 3 additional races are scheduled per the Format being sailed per STCR 34.3.7. The Race Committee reserves the right to get one race ahead of schedule should expected sailing conditions warrant.

8.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 11:00 A.M.

8.4. To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flags will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

8.5. No warning signal will be made after 3:30 P.M. during May 19th.

8.6. There will be a regatta dinner during Saturday evening, May 18th, after racing at CYC.

9. Class Flag

The Class Flag will be a class flag.

10. Racing Area

10.1. The racing area will be to the north of Meadow Point on the waters of Puget Sound.



11. Courses

11.1. STCR Format C and course 4 will be used, with no offset and the pin end of the starting line will be the leeward mark to be left to port.

11.1.1. Format C is changed so that the course minimum length is 0.75nm.

11.2. Course diagram in attachment Bravo

12. Marks

12.1. Mark 1 (Windward) will be an inflatable orange mark to be left to port.

12.2. Mark 2 (Leeward Gate (if used)) will also be inflatable orange marks to be left to port unless a gate is used.

12.3. The starting marks will be the RC signal boat at the starboard end, and port pin end orange mark.

12.4. The finish line will be the same as the start line.

12.5. If there is a change of course the original mark will be used in it's new location.

13. The Start

13.1. Prior to the first warning signal of the first race of the day, boats shall sail on Starboard Tack by the stern of the RC starboard-end boat, to be recorded.

13.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the starboard end RC vessel and the orange starting mark buoy.

13.3. A sound signal will be used for the starting sequence along with flags. Instructions 3.4

13.4. A boat not starting within ten (10) minutes after the starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start"(DNS), without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1- A5 and STCR 34.7.

13.5. RRS A5.3 will apply. This means that for any boat that is scored a DNS, DNF, OSC, NSC, RAF, or DSQ their score will be number of finishers + 1.

14. Changing the Next Leg of the Course

14.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will move the original mark (or move the finishing line).

14.2. In addition to signaling the change from a RC service/mark boat, the RC will attempt to announce the change on VHF Channel 69 as boats approach the RC service/mark boat signaling the change.

15. The Finish

15.1. The finishing line will be the same as the starting line.

16. Penalty System

16.1. RRS 44.1 is changed so that a One-turn Penalty replaces a Two-Turn Penalty.



17. Time Limits

- 17.1. The time limits will be as specified in STCR 34.3.7 and 34.6.3 (see SI 1.6), for the Format being sailed in the Regatta.

18. Hearing Requests

- 18.1. The protest time limit shall be one (1) hour after the docking time of the RC finish vessel. The protest time limit will be posted on the notice board.
- 18.2. Notices will be posted on the notice board no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties. Hearings will be held in the C.Y.C. clubhouse, and parties and their witnesses should report there at the scheduled time.

19. Scoring:

- 19.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System in RRS Appendix A.
- 19.2. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with her worst score discarded when five (5) or more races are completed.
- 19.3. To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring inquiry form available on the main floor of the C.Y.C. clubhouse.

20. Liability and Safety

- 20.1. The safety of a boat and her entire management, including insurance, shall be the sole and inescapable responsibility of the owner and/or entrant.
- 20.2. Competitors leaving the race course before the end of a race shall inform the RC or the race office as soon as possible.
- 20.3. Competitors not leaving the dock on a race day shall inform the race committee.

21. Replacement of Crew or Equipment

- 21.1. Any request for a change of crew shall be submitted to the RC in writing prior to 9:00 A.M. on the day of the race for which the change is to be made. If the RC grants permission, it will do so in writing and post such notice on the official notice board.
- 21.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the RC or a majority vote by the fleet.
- 21.3. Requests for substitution shall be made to the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.

22. Support Boats

- 22.1. Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats are expected to monitor VHF channel 69 and to render assistance to a boat in danger when requested by the boat, or at the request of the RC or Jury. See RRS 37.
- 22.2. Coach boats, support boats and private spectator boats shall stay 100 meters outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal until all boats have finished racing, except as provided in SI 22.3.



22.3. A boat shall receive no outside assistance from coach boats, support boats or private spectator boats once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the OA and available to all participants.

23. Prizes

23.1. Perpetual Trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.

23.2. Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third.

24. Risk Statement

24.1. 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.**

25. Insurance

25.1. Boats sailing in this regatta (each 'person in charge' per RRS 46) must be adequately insured according to the NOR and shall hold a valid insurance certificate showing proof of third party liability for racing risks.

26. Media Rights

26.1. By participating in the event competitors automatically grant to the OA and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.

Attachments:

Alpha: Intended Race Area

Bravo: Course Diagram



ATTACHMENT ALPHA



Figure 1: Puget Sound, Shilshole Bay Marina, Meadow Point



Attachment Bravo

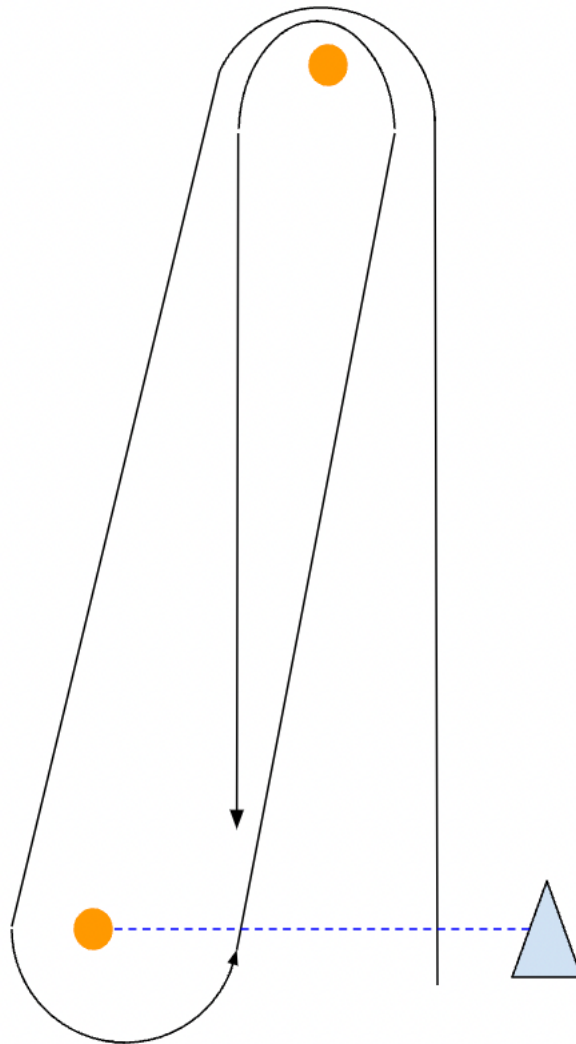


Figure 2: Course diagram