



2012 JY15 Midwinter Championships

March 23-24-25, 2012

Hosted by the JYCA and Porto Bravo Yacht Club, JY15 Fleet #__

Costera, Valle de Bravo, Estate of Mexico, Mexico 017262621001

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS)*, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the rules of the JY-15 class, except as any of these are changed by these sailing instructions.

2 ENTRIES

Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form and paying the applicable entry fee to the Porto Bravo Yacht Club before 1230 hours on Friday, March 23, 2012.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official JY15 Fleet notice board located just inside the PBYC clubhouse.

4 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1130 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1700 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the PBYC race committee boat. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 min after flag AP is lowered.

6 SCHEDULE and CLASS FLAG(S)

A competitors' meeting will be held at 1215 hours, Friday Mar 23, 2012 at the Porto Bravo Yacht Club. The warning signal for the first race will be as follows: {Fri 23Mar12, 1230}; {Sat 24Mar12, 1230}; {Sun 24Mar12, 1230}. Subsequent races [each day] will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours on Sun, Mar 24, 2012. The class flag is a rectangle with a white JY symbol on a dark blue background.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be set up on the lake of Valle de Bravo in front of PBYC. The Race Committee will notify all participants if there is any change about the course.

8 COURSE[S] and MARKS

The course[s] used will be windward-leeward [MW], triangle [M] and/or triangle-windward-leeward [MG] (once around or twice around). The course for any given race will be designated by placards with black letters/numbers on a white background on the Race Committee boat. All marks will be large orange inflated tetrahedrons with the exception of the Start & Finish marks (see section 9 below). The windward offset mark **may** be in place at all times but can be ignored for all courses but the windward-leeward [MW] course. The attached diagram shows the courses, course designations, the marks in order and the rounding direction of each mark.

9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES; STARTING SYSTEM

The starting line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a yellow flag at the starboard end and a yellow inflated tetrahedron at the port end. An orange ball **may** be located near the approximate middle area of the starting line. During the starting sequence, competitors may use it as a reference once they determine it's proximity to the start line. *It will not be a mark of the course until 5 minutes after the start at which time it will mark the port end of the finish line.*

The finishing line will be between a staff on the Race Committee boat displaying a yellow flag at the starboard end and an orange ball at the port end. *The finish line is closed except when finishing.*

Races will be started by using RRS rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS rules A4 and A5.

10 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each race will be 2.0 hours for the first boat to finish. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. The Race Committee may finish a boat in place at its' discretion.

11 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered in writing using forms available from the Race Committee. Completed protest forms must be submitted to a member of the Race Committee within one hour after the race committee boat docks at completion of the day's racing. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after racing each day in the Rochester Canoe Club clubhouse or grounds.

12 SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with the low point system of RRS Appendix A. If six or more races are completed, each boat's worst finish will be discarded. One race completed will constitute a series. The medal race will be adding double point to decide the first five places.

13 SAFETY & CHECK-IN

Skippers and crew are required to wear coastguard approved personal flotation devices at all times while racing.

Competitors are required to check in with the race committee on the water each day by sailing past the stern of the committee on starboard tack and hailing their number and hearing a response from the committee. *Failure to check-in will result in disqualification (DSQ) for the first race of the given day.*

14 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee member or class measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

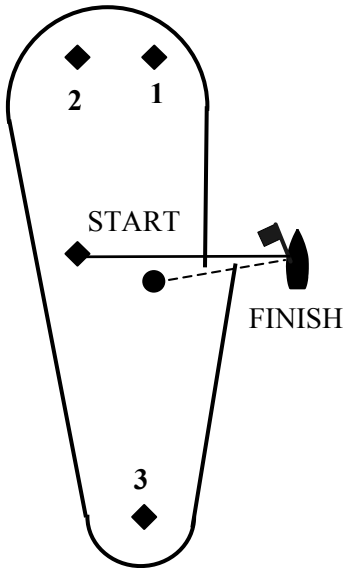
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS:

MW = WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

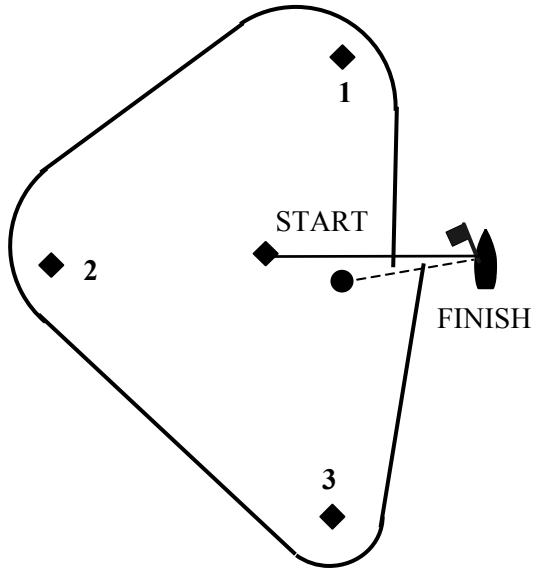
1 OR 2 = ONCE OR TWICE AROUND



M = TRIANGLE COURSE

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - Finish

1 OR 2 = ONCE OR TWICE AROUND



MG = TRIANGLE-WINDWARD-LEEWARD COURSE

Start - 1 - 2 - 3 - 1 - 3 - Finish

