

Flights of Spring Regatta April 21 & 22, 2018

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current edition of the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The relevant prescriptions of Sail Canada, all of which are attached in Appendix 1, will apply.
- 1.3 The class rules of the participating classes will apply.
- 1.4 These Sailing Instructions and any amendments to these Sailing Instructions will apply.

2 ENTRIES

- 2.1 The Jericho Laser Fleet and the Jericho Sailing Centre are the organizing authorities.
- 2.2 Participants are eligible by filling out the registration form, being members in good standing of a recognized yacht/sailing club or Association and being members of their National Authority.
- 2.3 Eligible yachts are the International Laser / Kirby Torch, the International Laser Radial / Kirby Torch Radial, International Laser / Kirby Torch 4.7, International Tasar, the International F18 Class and X-Class.

3 NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, located in the foyer of the main Jericho building, 1300 Discovery Street, Vancouver, BC. Notices will also be posted on the JSCA website: www.jsca.bc.ca under racing.

4 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 11:00 hrs (PDT) on Saturday, April 21, 2018 and before 11:00 hrs (PDT) on Sunday, April 22, 2018 except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 hrs (PDT) on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the JSCA flagpole, located in the JSCA compound, near ramp #2..
- 5.2 When RRS flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced by "not less than 30 minutes" in race signal "AP".

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Saturday, April 21

10:00 – 12:00 (PDT) Registration

13:00 (PDT) Scheduled warning signal of first race, more races to follow.

Sunday, June 7

12:00 (PDT) Scheduled warning signal of first race, more races to follow.

- 6.2 There are no maximum number of races.
- 6.3 One race shall constitute a series.
- 6.4 The last warning signal on Sunday, April 22 shall be determined by the CRO as conditions dictate.

7 CLASS FLAGS

Laser Class flag will be a white flag with a red Laser symbol. Laser Radial Class flag will be a green flag with a red “Laser” symbol. Laser 4.7 Class Flag will be a white flag with a black “XMU”. Tasar Class flag will be white with Tasar class symbol. F18 Class flag will be white with pink “F18”. X-Class Flag will be white with “XMO”.

8 RACE AREA

- 8.1 The race area will be to the North-West of the Jericho Sailing Centre unless conditions dictate otherwise. The racing will be on English Bay.
- 8.2 There will be only one course.
- 8.3 The entire area bordered by the pier at the west end of JSCA, the RVYC breakwater and the imaginary line created by the special purpose orange can buoys north of this reference and any yacht sailing south of this reference shall be subject to disqualification.

9 THE COURSE

- 9.1 The course to be sailed shall be displayed on the starting line boat before or at the preparatory signal for each class. This modifies RRS 27.1.
- 9.2 The courses to be sailed are as follows: all marks to be left to port.

FLAG	COURSE	MARKS
1	Standard Triangle	Start - 1 - 2 - 3P - Finish
2	Windward Leeward	Start - 1 - SP - Finish
3	Bermudan Triangle	Start - 1 - 2 - 3P - 1 - 3P - Finish
4	2X Windward Leeward	Start - 1 - 3S/3P - 1 - 3P - Finish

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks 1, 2 and 3 (3S/3P) will be red or orange tetrahedrons.
- 10.2 Mark 1A will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 10.3 The starting marks will be the orange paint on the mast on the committee boat and a staff displaying a red shape. The finish line marks will be the orange paint on the mast on the committee boat and a staff displaying a blue shape.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started using RRS 26, system 1, with classes starting a 5 minute intervals. Order of starts will be determined by the CRO.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the orange paint on the mast on committee boat and a staff displaying a red shape.
- 11.3 Yachts whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clean of the starting area and of all yachts whose preparatory signal has been made. If she interferes with those yachts in the race sequence, she may be scored DSQ for her next/previous race.

- 11.4 Following a "General Recall Signal". the race committee may display code flags "P". "I" or "U".
- 11.5 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.
This changes RRS A4.1.
- 11.6 The starting area extends 15 meters from all points of the starting line.
- 11.7 Classes maybe started together.
- 11.8 The starting line shall rank as an obstruction and may not be crossed after starting a race.

12 SHORTEN COURSE

- 12.1 Should the Race Committee decide to shorten the course after the start, it will do so in accordance with RRS 32.
- 12.2 Should the Race Committee decide to shorten course for a particular class or classes, flag "S" shall be displayed with the class insignia and the shorten course shall only apply to the class or classes displayed. Class signals will not be displayed when the Race Committee intends to shorten the course for all classes.

13 CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

- 13.1 To change the position of the next mark, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2 Boats shall pass between the mark set boat signaling the change of course and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the mark set boat to starboard, this changes RRS 28.1.

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finishing line shall be between the orange paint on the mast on the committee boat and a staff displaying a blue shape.
- 14.2 The finishing line shall rank as an obstruction and may not be crossed unless finishing a race.

15 TIME LIMIT

- 15.1 The time limit will be 60 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in their class finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish.
This changes RRS 35.
- 15.2 If no boat makes it to the windward mark within 30 minutes, the race will be abandoned.

16 PROTESTS

- 16.1 Protest forms will be available from the Jericho office and delivered to the Jericho office or the race officer (Andy Hunt) one hour after the docking of the race committee boat. Docking time of the race committee boat shall be posted on the official notice board.
- 16.2 In addition to complying with RRS 61, sailors shall inform the Race Committee of their intention to file a protest as soon as practicable after they cross the finish line or withdraw from the race.
- 16.3 The protest committee will hear protests at a date after the regatta has ended. The date of the protest hearing is yet to be decided.
- 16.3 Due to the informal nature of this regatta, filing protests is discouraged and sailors should respect the honor system and do their turns.

17 SCORING

- 17.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.
- 17.2 One (1) race is required to constitute a series.
- 17.3 When four or less races have been completed, a boat shall score all its races. When five to nine races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the sum of all its races excluding its worst score. When ten or more races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the sum of all its races excluding its two worst scores.
- 17.4 Yachts will be scored in the following fleets: Laser / Kirby Torch Standard, Laser / Kirby Torch Radial, Laser / Kirby Torch 4.7, Tasar, F18 and X-Class.
- 17.5 Four or more boats are required for a separate start.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1 A boat that retires from a race is asked to notify the Race Committee, Mark Set Boat or any support boat as soon as possible or practicable.
- 18.2 A boat that crosses between a tug and its tow will be disqualified. The boat may be disqualified for the race or the entire regatta.
- 18.3 Should, during a race, a freighter enters the racing area, the race may be abandoned if the race committee deems it unsafe to continue.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 19.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior approval of the race committee.
- 19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment shall not be allowed unless approved by the Race Committee. Requests for submission shall be made to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 19.3 Sailors may be allowed to switch from Standard sail to Radial sail and vice versa provided the sail change is done on shore and the sail numbers are the same. This will only be allowed if both classes have one start. If there are two separate starts, a sail change will not be allowed.

20 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be Jericho Rescue Titan, Jericho Rescue Hurricane, Jericho Marks and Albatross.

21 SUPPORT BOATS

Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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