

TO2015 PAN AMERICAN GAMES SAILING COMPETITION

July 8-20, 2015

Organizing Authority – TO2015 in collaboration with the Pan American Sailing Federation

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), published by the International Sailing Federation (ISAF).
- 1.2 Only the Sail Canada prescriptions to RRS 61.2 and 67 (as follows) will apply:
 - 61.2 Sail Canada prescribes that no fee shall be charged for delivering a protest or a request for redress.
 - ° 67 Sail Canada prescribes that a boat that has been found by a protest committee to have broken a rule and caused damage shall be considered at fault for the purposes of rule 67.
- 1.3 The following documents will apply:
 - ° The Pan American Sports Organization (PASO) Statute
 - The Pan Am Regulations
 - The TO2015 Pan American Games Sport Entries Manual
 - ° The TO2015 Sailing Sport Technical Manual
 - ° The TO2015 Pan American Games Sailing Competition Support Boat Regulations
 - The TO2015 Pan American Games Sailing Competition Equipment Inspection Regulations
- 1.4 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.
- 1.5 The words "race committee" are replaced by "race committee and equipment inspection committee" in RRS 60.2.
- 1.6 Class Rules will apply except:
 - Any class rule dealing with the conditions for organizing and running of Class Championships shall not apply.
 - No ownership requirements of any Class Rules shall apply
 - For the J24 Open Event, the boats shall sail with a crew of four persons on board with a maximum total crew weight of 340 kg. The boats shall sail with J24 class-approved mainsail, jib and spinnaker. No genoa, engine, gas tank or cushions shall be carried. This changes the J24 class rules.
- 1.7 For Medal races, ISAF Addendum Q, Umpired Fleet Racing will apply and takes precedence over any conflicting instructions. ISAF Addendum Q is included as Appendix E.

- 1.8 Penalties and grounds for protest:
 - Penalties are at the discretion of the International Jury for breaches of:
 - Sailing Instructions marked (DP),
 - Class Rules,
 - the TO2015 Pan American Games Sport Entries Manual,
 - the TO2015 Sailing Sport Technical Manual,
 - the TO2015 Pan American Games Sailing Competition Support Boat Regulations,
 - o the TO2015 Pan American Games Sailing Competition Equipment Inspection Regulations.
 - Penalties for breaches of Sailing Instructions marked (NP) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION (NP)(DP)

- 2.1 Boats and boards shall carry on their sails the national letters and national flags as provided by TO2015. This changes RRS 77 and Class Rules.
- 2.2 Boats and boards may be required to display "Look of the Games" branding supplied by TO2015 on the hull and sails.
- 2.3 Each day while racing the first, second, and third boat in the series scores at the beginning of the day shall display a yellow, blue or red sticker on each side of the mainsail. TO2015 will supply the stickers and instructions for their use at the Team Leaders Meeting each day.
- 2.4 Each competitor shall wear bibs displaying their national letters while racing. The bibs will be provided by TO2015.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board(s) located at the south end of the Royal Canadian Yacht Club (RCYC) dinghy shed.
- 3.2 When a visual signal is displayed over a Racing Group Flag or over an Event Flag the signal applies to only to that Racing Group or Event. This changes the Race Signals preamble of the RRS.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the north end of Snug Island.
- When flag AP is displayed ashore "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.
- Flag D with one sound means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes' after flag D is displayed. Boats shall not leave the harbour until this signal is made. (NP)(DP)
- 5.4 When flag Y is displayed ashore, RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble. (NP)(DP)



SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Racing will be scheduled as per Appendix A attached.
- The competition in all events, except the 49erFX, RS:X Men and RS:X Women, will 6.2 consist of a 12 race Opening Series plus a Medal Race; the competition in the 49erFX, RS:X - Men and RS:X - Women will consist of a 16 race Opening Series plus a Medal
- 6.3 Two races per day are scheduled for Laser, Laser Radial, Sunfish, Snipe, Lightning, Hobie 16 and J24.
- Three races per day (two on July 16 and July 17) are scheduled for RS:X Men, RS:X -6.4 Women and 49erFX.
- 6.5 One extra race per day may be sailed to bring an event back to schedule with the change made according to instruction 4.
- 6.6 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1130.
- 6.7 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- There will be no warning signal for the opening series after 1700 on Friday, July 17th and 6.8 no starting signal for a Medal Race after 1700 on Monday July 20th.
- 6.9 A Medal Race will be scheduled for each event with a minimum of 1 race completed in the Opening Series.
- 6.10 The top 50% of competitors (rounded up, minimum of 5 boats) in the Opening Series in each event will advance to the Medal Race. Assignments to a Medal Race will be based on the ranking available at 0800 on the day of the Medal Race. The protest committee may extend the time limit.

CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class flags will be:

<u>Event</u>	<u>Flag</u>
RS:X - Men	Class Insignia on white background
RS:X - Women	Class Insignia on light blue background
Laser	Class Insignia on white background
Laser Radial	Class Insignia on light blue background
49erFX	Class Insignia on white background
Sunfish	Class Insignia on white background
Snipe	Class Insignia on white background
Hobie 16	Class Insignia on white background
J24	Class Insignia on white background
Lightning	Class Insignia on white background

8 RACING AREAS

8.1 Appendix B shows the location of Racing Areas.

8.2 Classes are assigned to Racing Groups as follows:

Racing Group	<u>Event</u>	Racing Group Flag
Alpha	RS:X - Men	Letter A on blue background
	RS:X - Women	
	49erFX	
	Hobie 16	
Bravo	Laser	Letter B on blue background
	Laser Radial	· ·
	Sunfish	
Charlie	Snipe	Letter C on blue background
	Lightning	· ·
	J24	

- 8.3 The race committee may reassign an event to any Racing Group, but not later than 60 minutes before flag D is displayed ashore (see instruction 5.3).
- 8.4 Racing Groups will be assigned to Racing Areas as per Appendix A.
- 8.5 The race committee may reassign a Racing Group to any Racing Area, but not later than 60 minutes before flag D is displayed ashore (see instruction 5.3).

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 The diagrams in Appendix C show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.2 If only one Gate Mark is set, boats shall round the single mark to port.
- 9.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed and the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 9.4 Courses will not be shortened. This changes RRS 32.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Marks are described in Appendix D.
- 10.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 13.1, are described in Appendix D.
- 10.3 The starting and finishing marks are described in Appendix D.
- 10.4 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 13.2.

11 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS (NP)(DP)

- 11.1 Toronto Harbour has active commercial traffic. Boats and support boats shall not interfere with commercial traffic, the breach of which may be subject to protest.
- 11.2 Boats shall keep 100 meters clear ahead of and 30 meters to the side and stern of the Toronto Island Ferries.

12 THE START

- 12.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat at the starboard end and, at the port end, the staff displaying an orange flag either on a race committee boat or on a float.
- 12.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. (DP)
 - The starting area is defined as 50 meters from the starting line and marks in all directions.
- 12.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4, A5 and 63.1.



- 12.4 If flag U has been displayed as the Preparatory Signal, no part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment shall be in the triangle formed by the ends of the starting line and the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal. If a boat breaks this rule and is identified, she shall be disqualified without a hearing, but not if the race is restarted or resailed. This changes RRS 26, 36, 63.1, and A5. RRS 29.1 will not apply.
 - The scoring penalty for disqualification under this instruction will be UFD. This changes RRS A11.
- 12.5 Rule 30.3 is modified to allow the posting of national letters in place of sail numbers.

13 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 13.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes RRS 28.
- 13.3 If the new mark is used for the second or subsequent rounding of Mark 1 or Mark 1L, there will be no offset mark (1a/1La).

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a staff displaying an orange flag either on a race committee boat or on a float (the finishing mark).

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1 The RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for RRS 42, will apply.
- 15.2 For the Hobie 16 and 49erFX, RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

16 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

16.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

	Time	Mark 1/1L	Finish	Target
Event	Limit	Time Limit	Window	Time
RS:X - Men	45 Minutes	15 Minutes	15 Minutes	25 Minutes
RS:X - Women	45 Minutes	15 Minutes	15 Minutes	25 Minutes
49erFX	50 Minutes	15 Minutes	15 Minutes	30 Minutes
Laser	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
Laser Radial	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
Sunfish	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
Snipe	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
Hobie 16	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
J24	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes
Lightning	75 Minutes	25 Minutes	20 Minutes	50 Minutes

16.2 Time limits and target times for Medal Races are as follows:

	Time	Mark 1	Finish	Target
Event	Limit	Time Limit	Window	Time
RS:X - Men	50 Minutes	15 Minutes	10 Minutes	20 Minutes
RS:X - Women	50 Minutes	15 Minutes	10 Minutes	20 Minutes
49erFX	50 Minutes	15 Minutes	10 Minutes	20 Minutes
All other events	50 Minutes	30 Minutes	10 Minutes	30 Minutes

- 16.3 If no boat has passed Mark 1/1L within the Mark 1/1L time limit the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- Boats failing to finish within the Finish Window after the first boat, in their event, sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 17.1 Protest forms are available at the Jury Desk, located in the RCYC Cottage on Snug Island. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 17.2 For each event, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 17.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest rooms, located in the RCYC Cottage on Snug Island, beginning at the time posted.
- 17.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, equipment inspection committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 17.5 A list of boats that have been penalized for breaking RRS 42, will be posted.
- 17.6 On the last day of the Opening Series, or on the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
 - within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.
- 17.7 On the last of the Opening Series, or on the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

18 SCORING

- 18.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, as modified herein. RRS B8 is deleted.
- 18.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute an opening series.
- 18.3 A boat's score in the opening series will be the total of her race scores, but if three or more races are completed in the opening series a boat's score in the opening series will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 18.4 The final score of a boat not assigned to compete in the medal race will be her final score in the opening series.
- In Medal Races, a boat's score shall be double the number of points specified in RRS Appendix A4.1 and the score for that race shall not be excluded from the series score. RRS A4.2 is changed so that the scores are based on the number of boats assigned in that race and then doubled.
- 18.6 A boat's final score will be the sum of her Opening Series Score and her Medal Race Score.



- 18.7 The boats assigned to compete in the medal race will be ranked highest in the series, except for a boat disqualified from the medal race under RRS 5 or 69.
- 18.8 Ties in the final score between boats with different medal race point scores shall be broken in favour of the boat that scored better in the medal race. This changes RRS Appendix A8.
- 18.9 If the Medal Race cannot be completed, the final score of all boats will be their final score in the opening series.
- 18.10 A boat assigned to compete in the Medal Race shall make a genuine effort to start, sail the course and finish. If a boat is in breach of this instruction she will be given a score equal to the number of boats assigned to that race and then doubled. This changes RRS A2.
- 18.11 To request correction of an alleged error in posted race or series results, a boat may complete a scoring inquiry form available at the Jury Desk located in the RCYC Cottage on Snug Island.

19 SAFETY REGULATIONS (NP)(DP)

- 19.1 Before leaving shore, competitors shall personally check out at the Sport Information Desk located in the RCYC Dinghy Shed.
- 19.2 On returning to shore or when no more races are scheduled for their event for the day, competitors shall personally check in at the Sport Information Desk located in the RCYC Dinghy Shed within the protest time limit, or within 45 minutes after the final abandonment signal on a day when no racing is completed.
- 19.3 All boats shall check-in at the race committee signal boat before the warning signal for their first race of the day, or after going ashore and returning to the race course, by closely passing the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hailing her National Letters until acknowledged by the race committee.
- 19.4 Boats not leaving the harbour for any of the day's racing shall so inform the Sport Information Desk.
- 19.5 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 19.6 If flag V is displayed on the race committee signal boat with one sound signal the VHF radio permitted in Support Boat Regulation 3.1 shall be switched on and used for safety communication on VHF radio channel 71.

20 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT (DP)

- 20.1 Substitution of competitors will not be permitted.
- 20.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the Equipment Inspection Committee and the ISAF Technical Delegate. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

21 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS (DP)

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 member of the Equipment Inspection Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

22 OFFICIAL BOATS

22.1 Official Boats will be identified as flags will be:

Official Flag Blue "Jury" on white background Jury Blue Letters "RC" on white background Race Committee Blue Letters "PRO" on white background Principal Race Officer Technical Delegate Blue Letters "TD" on white background Blue "Measurer" on white background Equipment Inspection Safety Blue "Rescue" on white background White "Marshall" on fuchsia background Marshall Blue "First Aid" on white background Medical White "Media" on green background Media (Photo/Press) White Letters "BCI" on green background Media (Broadcast/ENG) **PASAF** Blue "PASAF" on white background Blue Letters "GF" on white background Games Family

22.2 Official Identification Flags will also display TO2015 Branding.

23 SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND BOATS (NP)(DP)

- Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel are required to comply with the TO2015 Pan American Games Sailing Competition Support Boat Regulations.
- 23.2 Penalties for infringing this sailing instruction may be applied to the offending support personnel and/or the boat or boats being supported. A penalty applied to a support boat shall be applied to the race nearest in time to the incident.
- 23.3 For the purposes of the rules governing this competition, a support boat includes any boat that is under the control or direction of a person who is providing, or may provide, physical or advisory support to an athlete, including the gathering of data that may be used at a later time.

24 TRASH DISPOSAL (NP)(DP)

Boats shall not intentionally put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats, before that boat's preparatory signal.

25 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS (NP)(DP)

Boats assigned berths in the water shall not be hauled out during the competition (starting 0001 on July 7 until the end of their competition) except with the written permission of the ISAF Technical Delegate.

26 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS (NP)(DP)

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around Lightnings and J24's starting 0001 on July 7 until the end of their competition.

27 RADIO COMMUNICATION (NP)(DP)

Except in an emergency, 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.

28 PRIZES

Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded in every event of the sailing competition. In accordance with PASO Regulations, top-eight diplomas will be awarded in each event.



29 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 Sailing Competition.

30 INSURANCE (DP)

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CDN\$500,000 per incident or the equivalent.

31 MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors and / or their Guardians automatically grant the Organizing Authority, the Pan American Sailing Federation and any party to which they may delegate this right, without payment the right in perpetuity to make, use and show (including via the internet), any motion pictures, still pictures, live, taped or filmed television, or any other form of media, of or relating to the event.

32 CODE OF CONDUCT (DP)

- Competitors, team leaders, coaches and other support personnel shall comply with any reasonable request from a regatta official.
- 32.2 Boats shall not pass through a course to which they are not assigned when racing is in progress on that course.

APPENDIX A

RACING SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Racing Group	Racing Area	Warning Signal
July 11	Saturday	Practice Race Alpha Bravo Charlie	Harbour Lake One Lake Two	1130
July 12	Sunday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Lake One Harbour Lake Two	1130
July 13	Monday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Lake One Lake Two Harbour	1130
July 14	Tuesday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Harbour Lake One Lake Two	1130
July 15	Wednesday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Lake One Harbour Lake Two	1130
July 16	Thursday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Lake One Lake Two Harbour	1130
July 17	Friday	Alpha Bravo Charlie	Harbour Lake One Lake Two	1130
July 18	Saturday	Medal Races 5 Events (Schedule to b	Medal be posted by 2000 on July 1	1130 7)
July 19	Sunday	Medal Races 5 Events (Schedule to b	Medal be posted by 2000 on July 1	1130 7)
July 20	Monday	Reserve Day		

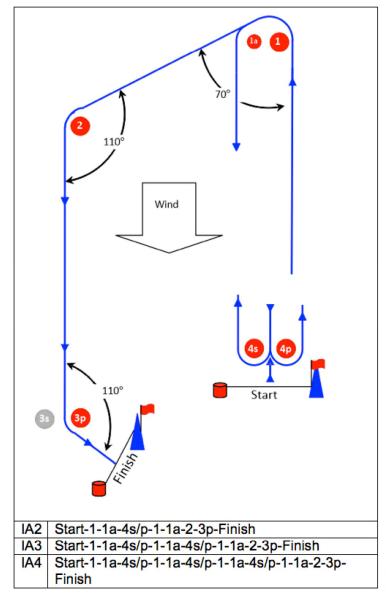


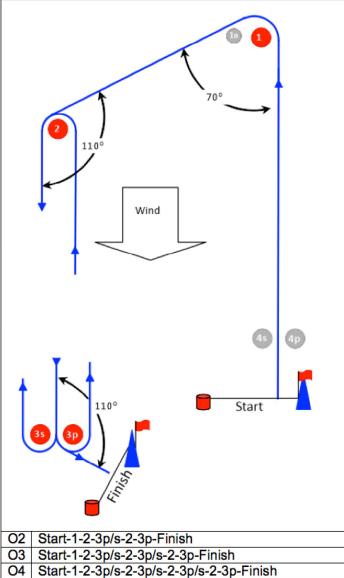
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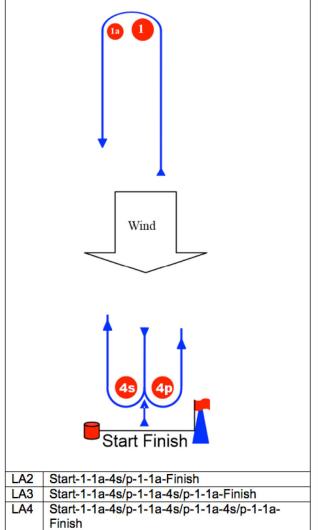
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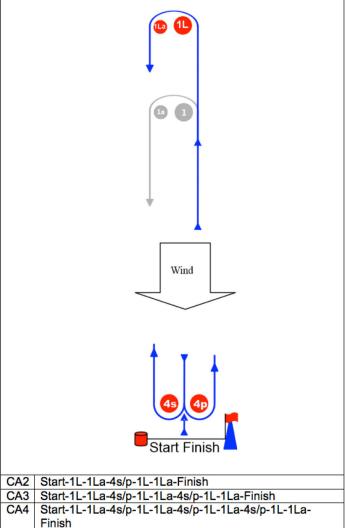
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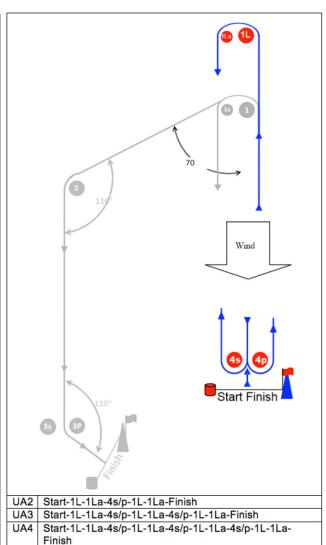












APPENDIX D

RACING MARKS

	Alpha Racing Group	Bravo Racing Group	Charlie Racing Group	Medal Races
Marks 1, 2, 3, 4	Yellow Tetrahedron	Orange Tetrahedron	Green Tetrahedrons	Orange Tetrahedrons
Marks 1L	Orange Tetrahedron		Yellow Tetrahedrons	
Offset Marks (1a, 1La)	Red Ball	Red Ball	Red Ball	Red Ball
Nav. Marka	Ded Odiodese	Ded Odinders	Dad Odiadasa	Ded Ordinders
New Marks	Red Cylinders	Red Cylinders	Red Cylinders	Red Cylinders
New Marks 1L	Green Tetrahedrons		Orange Tetrahedron	
Starting Marks	Staff with Orange Flag			
Finish Marks	Staff with Orange Flag			



APPENDIX E

ISAF ADDENDUM O

UMPIRED FLEET RACING

This addendum has been approved by ISAF in accordance with rule 86.2 and ISAF Regulation 28.1.3.

Version: January 21, 2013

These sailing instructions change the definition Proper Course, and rules 20, 28.2, 44, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64.1, 65, 66, 70, 78.3 and B5.

Q1 CHANGES TO RACING RULES

Additional changes to rules are made in instructions Q2, Q3, Q4, and Q5.

Q1.1 Changes to the Definitions and the Rules of Part 2 and Part 4

- Add to the definition Proper Course: 'A boat taking a penalty or maneuvering to take a penalty is not sailing a proper course.'
- (b) When rule 20 applies, the following arm signals are required in addition to the hails:
 - (1) for 'Room to tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing to windward; and
 - (2) for 'You tack', repeatedly and clearly pointing at the other boat and waving the arm to windward.

Instruction Q1.1(b) does not apply to boards.

Q1.2 Changes to Rules Involving Protests, Requests for Redress, Penalties and Exoneration

- The first sentence of rule 44.1 is replaced with: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when (a) she may have broken a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14 when she has caused damage or injury) or rule 31 or 42 while racing.'
- For boards, the One-Turn Penalty is one 3600 turn with no requirement for a tack or a gybe. (b)
- Rule 60.1 is replaced with 'A boat may protest another boat or request redress provided she (c) complies with instructions Q2.1 and Q2.4.'
- The third sentence of rule 61.1(a) and all of rule 61.1(a)(2) are deleted. Rule B5 is deleted. (d)
- Rules 62.1(a), (b) and (d) are deleted. In a race where this addendum applies, there shall be (e) no scoring adjustments for redress given under any of these rules for a previous race.
- Rule 64.1(a) is changed so that the provision for exonerating a boat may be applied by the (f) umpires without a hearing, and it takes precedence over any conflicting instruction of this addendum.
- Rules P1 to P4 shall not apply. (g)

Q2 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS BY BOATS

- Q2.1 While racing, a boat may protest another boat under a rule of Part 2 (except rule 14) or under rule 31 or 42; however, a boat may only protest under a rule of Part 2 for an incident in which she was involved. To do so she shall hail 'Protest' and conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity for each. She shall remove the flag before, or at the first reasonable opportunity after a boat involved in the incident has taken a penalty voluntarily or after an umpire's decision. However, a board need not display a red flag.
- Q2.2 A boat that protests as provided in instruction Q2.1 is not entitled to a hearing. Instead, a boat involved in the incident may acknowledge breaking a rule by taking a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2. If the protested boat does not take a penalty voluntarily, an umpire will decide whether to penalize any boat and signal the decision as provided in instruction O3.1.
- Q2.3 At the finishing line, the race committee will inform the competitors about each boat's finishing place or scoring abbreviation. After this has been done for all boats, the race committee will promptly display flag B with one sound. Two minutes later flag B will be removed with one sound.
- **Q2.4** A boat intending to
- (a) protest another boat under a rule other than instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1.
- (b) protest another boat under rule 14 if there was contact that caused damage or injury, or
- (c) request redress shall hail the race committee before or during the display of flag B. The same time limit applies to protests under instructions Q5.4 and Q5.5. The protest committee may extend the time limit if there is good reason to do so.
- Q2.5 The race committee will promptly inform the protest committee about any protests or requests for redress made under instruction Q2.4.

Q3 UMPIRE SIGNALS AND IMPOSED PENALTIES

- **Q3.1** An umpire will signal a decision as follows:
 - (a) A green and white flag with one long sound means 'No penalty.'
 - (b) A red flag with one long sound means 'A penalty is imposed or remains outstanding.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify each such boat.
- (c) A black flag with one long sound means 'A boat is disqualified.' The umpire will hail or signal to identify the boat disqualified.
- **Q3.2** (a) A boat penalized under instruction Q3.1(b) shall take a One-Turn Penalty as described in rule 44.2.
 - (b) A boat disqualified under instruction Q3.1(c) shall promptly leave the course area.



Q4 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS INITIATED BY AN UMPIRE; ROUNDING OR PASSING MARKS

- **O4.1** When a boat
 - breaks rule 31 and does not take a penalty, (a)
 - breaks rule 42, (b)
 - gains an advantage despite taking a penalty, (c)
 - deliberately breaks a rule, (d)
 - (e) commits a breach of sportsmanship, or
- (f) fails to comply with instruction Q3.2 or to take a penalty when required to do so by an umpire, an umpire may penalize her without a protest by another boat. The umpire may impose one or more One-Turn Penalties to be taken as described in rule 44.2, each signalled in accordance with instruction Q3.1(b), or disqualify her under instruction Q3.1(c), or report the incident to the protest committee for further action. If a boat is penalized under instruction Q4.1(f) for not taking a penalty or taking a penalty incorrectly, the original penalty is cancelled.
- **O4.2** (a) A boat shall not round or pass a mark on the wrong side. If she does so, she may correct her error as provided in rule 28.2 only if she does so before she rounds or passes the next mark or finishes.
 - (b) When a boat breaks instruction Q4.2(a) and fails to correct her error before rounding or passing the next mark or finishing, an umpire may disqualify her under instruction O3.1(c).
- **O4.3** An umpire who decides, based on his own observation or a report received from any source, that a boat may have broken a rule, other than instruction O3.2 or O4.2(a) or a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, may inform the protest committee for its action under rule 60.3. However, he will not inform the protest committee of an alleged breach of rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.

Q5 PROTESTS; REQUESTS FOR REDRESS OR REOPENING; APPEALS; OTHER PROCEEDINGS

- No proceedings of any kind may be taken in relation to any action or non-action by an Q5.1 umpire.
- **O5.2** A boat may not base an appeal on an alleged improper action, omission or decision of the umpires or the protest committee. In rule 66 the third sentence is changed to 'A party to the hearing may not ask for a reopening.'
- **O5.3** Protests and requests for redress need not be in writing.
- The protest committee may take evidence and conduct the hearing in any way it considers (b) appropriate and may communicate its decision orally.
- (c) If the protest committee decides that a breach of a rule has had no effect on the outcome of the race, it may impose a penalty of points or fraction of points or make another arrangement it decides is equitable, which may be to impose no penalty.
- The race committee will not protest a boat, except following a report under rule 43.1(c) or **O5.4**
- Q5.5 The protest committee may protest a boat under rule 60.3. However, it will not protest a boat for breaking instruction Q3.2 or Q4.2(a), a rule listed in instruction Q2.1, or rule 14 unless there is damage or injury.