



# Larchmont Yacht Club

## 2023 JSA of LIS OPTIMIST CHAMPIONSHIP

(Organizing Authority (OA) is JSA of LIS and Larchmont YC

Saturday, August 5 and Sunday, August 6, 2023

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

[NP] The notation '[NP]' in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

[DP] The notation '[DP]' in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Rules for JSA Events including the JSA Code of Ethics.
- 1.3 Rule V, Alternative Penalties, will apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply.

#### 2 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted no later than 30 minutes before the harbor start on the day they take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

#### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the veranda of the main clubhouse.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via loudhailer. Courtesy and safety announcements will be made to support boats via VHF channel 73.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the front lawn.

When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in Race Signal AP.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, Aug 4	1730 - 1930	Check-in and boat drop off – Jr Clubhouse
Saturday, Aug 5	0745 – 0845	Check-in and boat drop off – Jr Clubhouse
	0930	Mandatory Coaches meeting
	0945	Skippers meeting
	1030	Harbor start
	1145	First Warning Signal
	1630 – 1830	Event dinner, ice cream, raffle and music
Sunday, Aug 6	0830	Coaches meeting
	0845	Skippers meeting
	0930	Harbor start
	1030	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning
	1530	No warning signal after this time

Awards Presentation, on the front lawn, following the completion of racing.

## **6 DIVISIONS AND STREAMERS**

- 6.1 The class may started as one or may be divided into four (4) divisions that will race against each other round robin style. If split a colored streamer corresponding to the division each boat is assigned will be provided at check-in and shall be affixed to the sprit pole loop at the peak of the sail prior to the first warning signal.
- 6.2 Pairings of the divisions and their starting sequence will be posted on the official notice board, but the race committee may change pairings on the water in order to expedite racing. Pairings for the divisions to race next will be signalled by hoisting their colored flags along with a series of sound signals. The pairings signal will be 2 to 3 minutes before the warning for that race.
- 6.3 Division assignments will be made at the discretion of the organizing authority and race committee whose decision will be final and cannot be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

## **7 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be in the waters off Larchmont Harbor.

## **8 COURSES AND MARKS**

- 8.1 Courses will be the Opti Champs as shown in the course diagram attached.
- 8.2 Course lengths are at the discretion of the race committee.
- 8.3 Except when starting or finishing, the start and finish lines, including marks that bound them, are an obstruction.

## **9 MARKS**

- 9.1 Original rounding marks will be orange MarkSetBots or tetrahedrons.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11 will be yellow tetrahedrons.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started in accordance with Appendix U, "Audible-Signal Racing System". App U3 is changed as follows: if either RRS 30.1 (I flag rule), RRS 30.2 (Z flag rule) or 30.3 (U flag rule) is in effect, the appropriate flag will be displayed either before or with the warning signal and dropped at one minute before the start.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port end.
- 10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

## **11 CHANGE THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 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 a subsequent new mark is replaced, it will be the replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 The RC may, without signal, move a mark to keep the course configuration or to change the direction up to 10 degrees or the length of the leg, up to 10% of the previous length, provided that no boat is sailing to the mark. This changes RRS 33.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of a blue flagged buoy on the port end.
- 12.2 Flag A is displayed at the finish means no more racing today.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

- 13.1 The time limit for the first boat to start, sail the course and finish is 60 minutes.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in that division has started, sailed the course and finished will be scored "DNF". This changes rule 35.

## **14 HEARING REQUESTS**

- 14.1 The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the RC finish vessel personnel come ashore. All protest time limits will be posted on the official notice board.

- 14.2 Rule 61.1(a) is changed, add: Immediately after finishing, a protesting boat shall notify the race committee of her intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat she intends to protest.
- 14.3 Hearing requests such as protests and requests for redress may be filed with the Protest Secretary on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the main clubhouse. All such requests shall be delivered within the time limit.
- 14.4 The official notice board will be on the located on the veranda of the main clubhouse.  
Notice of hearings will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible after the protest time limit has expired.
- 14.5 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted on the official notice board to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 14.6 Protests regarding infractions of JSA rules or SI 10, 18, 19 may be subject to a lesser penalty than DSQ at the discretion of the PC. Please see JSA Rule 4.

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 One completed race, or if classes are split, one completed round robin will constitute a series. Scores of subsequent completed and partial round robins will be included in a boat's series score provided all divisions have had an equal number of races.
- 15.2 When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five (5) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 Prior to the warning signal of her first race each day, a boat shall sail past the stern of the race signal vessel on starboard tack, hail her sail number and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 16.2 [DP] A boat that retires from a race or does not intend to compete in a race after checking in shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.3 [DP] All boats and support vessels shall comply with RRS 37 when flag V (white rectangle with red X) is displayed with 1 sound.

## **17 [DP] SUPPORT VESSELS**

- 17.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.
- 17.2 The Organizing Authority may specify a separation distance. For example: "stay at least 100 yards away from any racing boat and move slowly with minimum wake, except as permitted in these instructions or by instruction from the Race Committee or Safety Boat."

## **18 TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard official or support person vessels.

## **19 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to first through tenth overall, top first through third per fleet and the top three girls following the completion of racing on the front lawn of Larchmont YC.

## **20 RISK STATEMENT**

Competitors are reminded of the Disclaimer of Liability to which they agreed as stated in the notice of race.

### **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information please contact Larchmont Yacht Club, One Woodbine Avenue, Larchmont, NY 10538.

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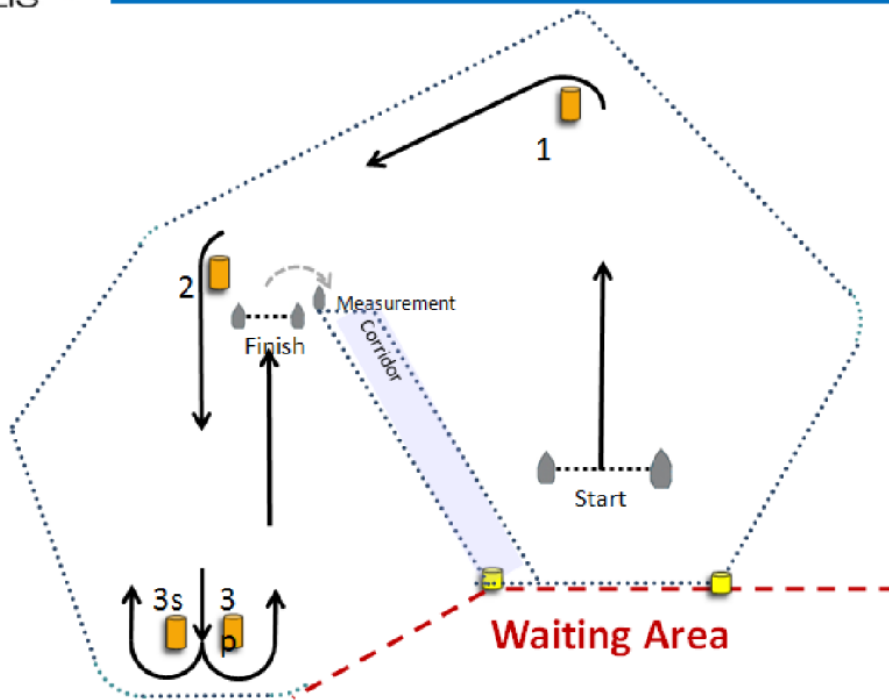
Collamore Crocker – Protest Committee Chairman

# COURSE DIAGRAM

Schematic – not to scale



## Race Course Options – Opti Champs



- Course: Start, 1, 2, 3s/3p, Finish.
- Racing area is marked in dots
- Waiting Area windward edge marked by red dashes