



Final - June 11, 2012

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race shall be governed by the rules as defined in the *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing*. No national prescriptions shall apply.
- 1.2 The notice of race and its appendices will apply.
- 1.3 If there is any conflict between the sailing instructions and the notice of race, the sailing instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.4 The last sentence of section 6.05.2 of the *ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for 2010 – 2011* shall not apply.
- 1.5 While in the Strait of Juan de Fuca all boats shall comply with Rule 10 of the *International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea* (Traffic Separation Scheme).
- 1.6 One hour after the start the right-of-way rules of the *International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea* shall replace Part 2 of the *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2. SKIPPERS' MEETING AND NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Skippers' meetings will be held on July 4 and July 6 at 1630 PDT at the vessel designated "race office" located on the Causeway Docks in front of the Empress Hotel.
- 2.2 Competitors should submit questions for the skippers' meeting, in writing, to the race office at least one hour prior to the start of the meeting.
- 2.3 Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official notice board located on the vessel designated "race office" located at the Causeway Docks (in front of the Empress Hotel) in Victoria prior to the first race start, and on the official notice board at the Lahaina Yacht Club race desk at 835 Front Street thereafter.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instructions made prior to or at the skippers' meeting shall be communicated to all entrants in writing.
- 3.2 Changes to the sailing instructions made after the skippers' meeting shall be made via radio communication following roll call and shall be posted on the official notice Board in Lahaina (see SI 2.3).

4. THE START

- 4.1 Cruising division shall start on July 5, 2012 and racing division, all classes, shall start on July 7, 2012.
- 4.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each division is 1000 PDT on the day of its start.
- 4.3 The division starts will be signaled in accordance with rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes prior to the start signal. The warning signal shall be numeral pennant 1.

5. START COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 The race committee will monitor VHF Channel 72 from 30 minutes prior to each start until 30 minutes following the start.
- 5.2 The race committee may broadcast the following information on VHF Channel 72:
 - a) countdown to warning, preparatory and start signals,
 - b) boats observed on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal,
 - c) any recalls.
- 5.3 All broadcasts on VHF Channel 72 will be made as a courtesy to competitors and are unofficial. Failure to broadcast or errors in the broadcast shall not be considered as grounds for the granting of redress.

6. STARTING LINE

- 6.1 The race will start off Victoria Harbor in the vicinity of Brotchie Ledge.
- 6.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag aboard the committee boat and the Brotchie Ledge Light Beacon. The line will bear approximately

130° magnetic from Brotchie Ledge and will be approximately 250 meters long. Note that there is an area of shallow water near the beacon.

6.3 The starting line may remain in place for 30 minutes following the final start signal. Boats starting after the starting line has been removed shall start within a period of 24 hours after the starting signal by passing within 250 meters of Brotchie Ledge and crossing a line bearing 130° magnetic from it.

7. ROLL CALL

7.1 Each boat shall record its position and weather data including true wind speed, true wind direction, debris, and barometric pressure at 1700 HST each day. The position and weather data as recorded at 1700 HST shall be reported to the communications vessel during Roll Call commencing at 1800 HST each day. This modifies notice of race 9.1.

7.2 Boats unable to complete their roll call by SSB may meet the roll call requirements by alternative methods until 2000 HST.

7.3 A roll call report is not required on the day a boat starts. Beginning on the day after the start, boats failing to complete their roll call by 2000 HST shall be assessed a time penalty in accordance with SI 12.2.8.

7.4 Boats shall give their ETA in HST during their last roll call report.

8. FINISHING

8.1 The finishing line shall be a range 1 nm long bearing 270° magnetic from an orange diamond located on the Northwest corner of the 8th floor of the Aston Kaanapali Shores hotel located at 20°57.01N 156°41.43W seaward to 20°57.01N 156°42.24W. Note that there is an area of shallow water near the shore.

8.2 Boats shall contact the race committee in Lahaina:

- a) at a point 25 miles from Finish via SSB on HF 4149 kHz, or via phone at 808-283-6975 or 253-370-3530,
- b) when the light at Hawea Point is abeam via VHF Channel 16, or via phone at 808-283-6975 or 253-370-3530. Boats shall then stand-by on VHF Ch. 72 for further communications,
- c) when approximately one mile from the finish via VHF Channel 72, and to provide the name and or sail number of boats within visual contact either in front or behind,
- d) if the above methods of communication fail, boats are allowed to use relay communication to contact the race committee.

8.3 The race committee may acknowledge a boat's finish by sounding a horn by day or by shining a light on the sails at night, and confirming finish on VHF channel 72. When finishing between dusk and dawn, each boat shall illuminate its mainsail sail number for a period of 1 minute after finishing.

8.4 A certificate of compliance will be distributed in the skippers package prior to the start and the completed and signed certificate of compliance shall be filed at the Lahaina Yacht Club race desk at 835 Front Street, or hand delivered to the designated race officer at the Lahaina Boat Harbour greeting, within 3 hours of finishing. It shall contain reference to actual GPS finish time in HST.

9. COURSE AND TIME LIMIT

9.1 From the starting line, leaving Duntze Rock Lighted Whistle Buoy, (48° 24.90'N, 124° 45.11'W), or its charted position if missing, and Tatoosh Island and Hawea Point to port, to a finish line off the west side of Maui.

9.2 For handicap purposes the course shall be 2308 nautical miles.

9.3 The time limit shall be 2355 HST on Thursday, July 26, 2012. No boat's finish shall be recorded after the time limit has expired.

10. MEANS OF PROPULSION

10.1 Any use of a boat's engine for propulsion shall be entered in the vessel's log and recorded on the certificate of compliance. Any use of a boat's engine for propulsion in racing division shall also be reported at the next roll call.

10.2 Boats are allowed to use their engines when rendering assistance under rule 1.1. Sailing instruction 10.1 shall apply.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

11.1 A boat that intends to file a protest, a request for redress, or acknowledge fault for violating a rule shall inform the race committee at the next roll call. Immediately upon finishing, the boat shall also notify the Race Committee via VHF channel 72, or by phone at 808-283-6975 or 253-370-3530.

11.2 Protests, including protests concerning compliance with the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations and requests for redress, shall be filed at the Lahaina Yacht Club race desk at 835 Front Street within 3 hours of the finish of the protesting boat. Protest forms will be available at the LYC race desk.

11.3 Protests, including protests initiated by the race committee, and hearing schedules will be posted on the official notice board at the Lahaina Yacht Club race desk at 835 Front Street no later than 1000 HST, July 27, 2012

12. PENALTIES

12.1 The protest committee, at its sole discretion, shall impose penalties for violations of the rules up to and including the disqualification of a boat from the race. This modifies rule 64.1.

12.2 The penalties listed below create a framework designed to provide a guideline for the protest committee in determining penalties. This modifies rule 44.

12.2.1 Violation of rules including the *Racing Rules of Sailing*, the notice of race, the sailing instructions, or the *International Regulations for Preventing Collision at Sea*, when in effect.

- a) With no contact between boats of any kind 4 hours
- b) With contact between crew and or sails and any part of another boat 6 hours
- c) With contact between hulls and no “damage” 8 hours
- d) With contact between boats causing “damage” 12 hours
- e) With contact between boats causing “serious damage” DSQ

For the purposes of this rule, “Damage” is the result of contact between boats, which requires repairs totaling less than \$1,000 US for both boats. “Serious Damage” is the result of contact between boats which:

- (i) prevents either boat from continuing to race effectively, or
- (ii) causes injury to any crew member, or
- (iii) requires repairs, the total value of which, for both boats exceeds \$1,000US.

12.2.2 Violation of SI 1.5 (Traffic Separation Scheme) 4 hours

12.2.3 Violation of NOR 2.1 (Special Regulations)
per violation 4 hours to DSQ

12.2.4 Violation of rule 42.1

- a) To avoid commercial traffic in a Traffic Separation Scheme 10 min.
- b) Momentary, accidental engagement of propeller shaft when battery charging
..... 1 hour

12.2.5 Failing to sail the course rule 28.1; SI’s 6 “Start Line” and 9 “Course and Time Limit”.

- a) On course side at start signal (OCS) and failing to return
 - (i) less than 1 minute OCS 2 hours
 - (ii) 1min. to 4 minutes OCS 5 hours
 - (iii) Over 4 minutes OCS DSQ
- b) Passing Duntze Rock Lighted Whistle Buoy or Tatoosh Island on the wrong side
..... DSQ

- 12.2.6 Receiving outside help in violation of rule 4124 hours per incident
- 12.2.7 Obtaining equipment after preparatory signal (rule 47.1) 24 hours
- 12.2.8 Failure to make daily roll call report (instruction 7.2 30 min. per day
- 12.2.9 Failure to comply with finishing reporting provisions of instruction 8.2
.....30 min. per incident
- 12.2.10 Failure to comply with NOR 3.1 and 8.2
.....rating correction, plus a penalty of 4 hrs to DSQ

12.3 All time penalties shall be added to a boat's elapsed time.

13. GARBAGE DUMPING AT SEA

13.1 Boats failing to comply with MARPOL 73/78 Annex V, which prohibits the dumping of plastic or synthetic material at sea, may be protested by the race committee and penalized by the protest committee.

14. OUTSIDE HELP

14.1 Without limiting the application of rule 41, the transmission or receipt while racing of any communication for the direct or indirect benefit of an individual boat is prohibited. This includes fee-for-service weather information and all routing information or advice. This does not include communication, including email, required in order to comply with the notice of race and sailing instructions or for personal messages not related to a boat's performance in the race.

14.2 Boats may receive weather information in any form, providing that the information is public and available without charge. Boats may use any communications method to receive weather information.

14.3 Boats may receive fleet position information, providing that the information is public and available without charge. Boats may use any communications method to receive fleet position information.

15. TRANSPONDERS

15.1 The race committee will install a transponder on each boat. The transponder will transmit the boat's position at regular intervals to a receiver. The receiver will record the boat's position and use the information to prepare a plot of the boat's position. The plot can be accessed through the Vic-Maui website. The website will display the positions as of the last signal received from the boat's transponder.

- 15.3 No boat may tamper with or alter the installation of the transponder. Each boat shall be responsible for the cost of any mishap which may result in the loss of or damage to the transponder.
- 15.4 The race committee will be responsible for the removal of the transponder at the conclusion of the race. The skipper shall arrange with the race committee to have the transponder removed.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 The certificate of compliance required after finishing will include certification from all crew that, to their knowledge, the boat sailed the race in compliance with all applicable rules, including the *ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for 2010 - 2011* as modified by the notice of race and its appendices.
- 16.2 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the sailing instructions, notice of race and its appendices.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible by contacting the communication vessel, the race committee in Lahaina, or the Coast Guard, requesting that notification of such retirement be relayed to the race committee in Lahaina. The owner or skipper shall notify the race committee as soon as possible upon arriving at their destination following retirement. The owner or skipper then must report the circumstances in writing to the race committee no later than July 27, 2012.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race.