Lake Townsend Yacht Club 2020 Saturday Series Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. All participants are encouraged and expected to follow the COVID-19 guidelines (attachment A).
- 1.3. Outside help: Competitors and RC may provide advice to sailors and help for any boat without penalty. This changes RRS 41(d).

2. Entries

2.1. Boats skippered or crewed by a LTYC member in good standing may enter by registering by 9AM the day of the Saturday races on the scratch sheet (laketownsendyachtclub.com/activities/SignUp.asp). Registration is also accepted during check-in on the water after signing in at the marina office. Guest skippers are welcome to participate in one race day after signing liability waiver on line and registering on line.

3. Notices to Competitors

3.1. Notices to competitors will be emailed to the members by 8PM on the Friday before the Saturday races and posted on the LTYC Facebook page by 9am Saturday.

4. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 4.1. Changes to the SIs will be contained in the PRO's Friday email and posted on the Facebook page.
- 4.2. Oral changes to the SIs may be made by the PRO on the water by raising Race Signal "L" and notifying all boats that come within hail.

5. Signals Made Ashore

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RC boat at or near the dock.
- 5.2. When AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after AP is lowered. This changes Race Signal AP.

6. Schedule

- 6.1. The Saturday Series consists of races between July and October. Four races will be scheduled each race day. One race is required to constitute a series. No scores will be excluded. Make up days may be scheduled. The race schedule and notices about rescheduled races will be posted on the LTYC website and Facebook page. (laketownsendyachtclub.com/home/HomePort.asp)
- 6.2. No competitors meeting will be held at the event site.
- 6.3. The schedule for warning signals for each day of racing are: Warning race #1 at 12:00. Three subsequent races back to back.

7. Class Flags

7.1. Flags displaying class logo: Flying Scot, Wayfarer.

Numeral 1 pennant- Open Monohull and Open Multihull.

8. Racing Area

8.1. The racing area will be on Lake Townsend.

9. Starts

- 9.1. The default starting system is RRS Rule 26. If the 3-minute sound system of Appendix U of RRS is specified, then the following changes are made:
 - 9.1.1.Numeral pennant "3" will be displayed prior to the warning signal.
 - 9.1.2. Separate starts for different classes are at the PRO's discretion. If there are separate starts, class flags will be displayed before the warning signal. The flags will not necessarily be lowered at the start. If no class flags are displayed, there is one start for all boats.
- 9.1.3. OCS and General Recall will be signaled by flags and horn sounds (RRS Rule 29). This changes rule U4.

10. Courses

- 10.1. See attachment B for courses.
- 10.2. The course to be sailed will be displayed from the race committee signal boat.

11. Penalty System

11.1. All boats will do a one turn penalty for all fouls. This changes RRS 44.2.



11.2. Competitors are encouraged to resolve the protests on the water.

12. Marks and Start/Finish lines

- 12.1. Marks 1 and 2 will be 3 foot diameter by 5 foot high inflated, orange, truncated cones. Starting and finishing marks will be 2 foot diameter inflated orange spheres.
- 12.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat at the starboard end and an orange sphere at the port end.
- 12.3. The finish line will be between a staff or halyard bearing an orange flag and the finishing mark.

13. Time Limits

- 13.1. The time limit will be 75 elapsed minutes for the first boat in each class. The time limit will be 105 elapsed minutes for all other boats in each class. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window will be assigned their finish position on the water. This changes rule 35 and A5.
- 13.2. Race committee may assign a boat its finish position on the water to expedite subsequent activities. This changes rules 35 and A5.

14. Protests

- 14.1. Protest forms are available in the Race Committee Shed.
- 14.2. Boats intending to protest shall notify Race Committee by VHF radio or phone.
- 14.3. Hearings will be held via Zoom within a day of the event or by a scheduled on-site meeting with more than 6 foot distance between persons, at the Protest Committee Chair's discretion.

15. Scoring

15.1. Each series will be scored using the Cox-Sprague scoring system, as described at http://goo.gl/kbAUbB and modified by these Sailing Instructions. This changes rules 90.3, A4 and A9.

15.1.1. A skipper scored DNS, DNF, RET, DSQ, or OCS shall be scored points for the finishing place one worse than the number of boats competing in the race. A boat that did not compete shall not receive a score. This modifies RRSs A4.2 and A9 and Cox-Sprague. A boat that enters the starting area after her warning signal shall be scored as competing in the race.

- 15.1.2. The Series score for each skipper will be the sum of earned points in that Series divided by the maximum possible number of points for that Series.
- 15.2. US Sailing's Portsmouth Yardstick with Wind Dependent Factors will be used for handicap classes.
- 15.3. For the Saturday series:
 - 15.3.1. The series will start with three classes: Open, Flying Scot, Wayfarer.

Two or more boats constitute a race. If only one boat in a class races, that skipper will be scored in the Open class and will receive participation in its class for that race.

- 15.3.2. A skipper receives points based on the class in which the skipper competes that day for the Saturday Series.
- 15.4. In addition to class racing and scoring, all boats will be scored together as an Overall series.
 - 15.4.1. All boats will have their elapsed times recorded and then corrected according to the Portsmouth Yardstick with wind dependent modifications.
 - 15.4.2. Classes with different starting times will be scored together for the purpose of the Overall series
 - 15.4.3. 3 If classes sail different courses in a race, that race will not be used for the Overall series.
 - 15.4.4. Scores will be compiled such that a skipper sailing different boats in different races has one set of results for the Overall series.

16. Awards and Recognition

16.1 The winners of each class for each racing day and the winners of the series will be posted on the LTYC website, recognized on Facebook and in an email to the club.

17. Safety

17.1 Prior to racing each day, a boat shall sail on starboard past the stern of the race committee boat and hail her sail number.[DP]

17.2 A boat that withdraws from a race shall notify race committee as soon as reasonably possible. (DP)

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series regatta at their own risk and to the fullest extent permitted by law. By participating, competitors waive any right to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) involved with the event with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by them or their crew as a result of participation in the series regatta and thereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage.