

2019 J/24 Canadian National Championship

Sailing Instructions

July 19-21, 2019

Organizing Authority:

Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron
Halifax, NS

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

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the SI means that a breach of this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a)

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The prescriptions of Sail Canada shall apply.

1.3 RRS 41 and 61.1 (a) will be changed as follows:

1.3.1 RRS 41: From the time a boat leaves her mooring and/or dock-slip for the first race of the day until she returns to her mooring and while not racing, she shall not receive outside help except as permitted by RRS 41(a) through (d) from any outside source except other competitors and official boats under the direction of the Organizing Authority. While racing, RRS 41 applies without modification. If RC displays Race Signal AP over H, these additions to RRS 41 are suspended until a boat leaves her mooring again. This also changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS.

1.3.2 RRS 61.1(a) is changed so that the red flag displayed by a protesting boat shall have a hoist of not less than 150 mm and a fly of not less than 200 mm.

1.4 Class rule J.4.3 will be used for this event.

1.5 In accordance with RRS G3, a boat chartered or loaned for this event may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of the Class Rules.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the entrance to the Ward Room in the main clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagstaff on the water side of the RNSYS Clubhouse.
- 4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes'. This changes *Race Signals*.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1** Dates of racing:

July 18	Practice race
July 19	Racing
July 20	Racing
July 21	Racing
- 5.2** A maximum of 9 (nine) races may be sailed. Three races are scheduled per day. One extra race per day may be sailed provided that the regatta does not become more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 5.3** The scheduled time of the warning signal for the practice race is 1400.
Competitors meeting will be held at 0900 on July 19, 20, 21.
The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.
- 5.4** On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1500 unless required to constitute a series.

6 RACING AREAS

Attachment 1 shows the planned location of racing areas on the waters of Halifax Harbour (Chart 4237). Choice of racing areas will depend on wind and weather and the tentative plan for racing area will be posted on the notice board by 0900 each morning. When the RC leaves the dock, periodic intended position updates may be broadcast on VHF 72. Please note that Area 1 is approximately 5.0nm from the RNSYS breakwater at bearing 155 magnetic.

7 CHECK-IN AND CHECK-OUT [DP] [NP]

- 7.1** Boats shall check in with the RC signal boat by sailing past the stern of the RC signal boat and hailing their sail number and number of people on board prior to their first preparatory signal of the day.
- 7.2** Boats that retire during a race or leave the racing area between races shall check out with the RC either by hail or on VHF 72.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1** The diagrams in Attachment 2 show the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2** The course to be sailed, approximate compass bearing and approximate distance from the signal boat to the windward mark will be displayed on the RC signal boat and may be broadcast on VHF 72 before the warning signal. Failure of the RC to broadcast or failure of the competitor

to receive this notification on VHF 72 will not constitute grounds for requesting redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

- 8.3** Courses will not be shortened to less than 4 legs. For the purpose of this instruction, the course between mark 1 and mark 1a will not be considered a leg.

9 MARKS

- 9.1** Mark 1 will be an orange tetrahedron.
Mark 1a will be an orange cylinder.
Marks 2s/2p will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.2** New marks, as provided in SI 11, will be yellow tetrahedrons and yellow cylinder (1A).
- 9.3** The starting and finishing marks will be race committee (RC) boat and a narrow yellow cylinder.
- 9.4** If the leeward gate (2s/2p) is replaced by a single mark it will be an orange tetrahedron and it shall be left to port.

10 THE START

- 10.1** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of a yellow cylinder.
- 10.2** The RC will attempt to hail OCS boats by sail number on channel 72. Failure to hail; the hail of some, but not all boats; or the timing or order of the hail; or failure to receive such broadcasts shall not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.3** The sail numbers of boats OCS, UFD or BFD may be posted on the signal boat following the race.
- 10.4** A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal boat and the course side of a narrow yellow inflatable cylinder at the other end.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

13.1 PENALTIES WHILE RACING

If a boat takes a penalty for breaking a rule of Part 2 while racing her penalty will be a One-Turn Penalty; but if she breaks a rule of Part 2 within the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, the penalty will be a Two-Turns Penalty. This changes RRS 44.1.

13.2 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE

After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or RRS 31 while *racing* may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). However RRS 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by

informing the jury in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The Post-Race Penalty shall be:

- (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or
- (b) 30% if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

14 TIME LIMITS

- 14.1** The target time for races is 55-65 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)
- 14.2** Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the Regatta Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the applicable time limit.
- 15.2** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC signal boat docks.
- 15.3** 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.
- 15.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16 SCORING

- 16.1** Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
(b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT [DP]

- 17.1** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 17.2** There shall be no crew replacement except as allowed by class rule J.4.3, as noted in SI 1.4. Even if replacement/substitution is allowed, the number of crew shall not change during the regatta.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS [DP]

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a member of the race committee or the measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

19 OFFICIAL BOATS [NP]

Signal boat and mark boats will be marked with an RC flag. Jury boat will be marked with a flag displaying the letter 'J'.

20 COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS[DP] [NP]

20.1 Support boats shall comply with SI 1.3.1

20.2 Support boats shall register during scheduled registration, declaring to which boat or boats they are attached.

20.3 Support boats shall remain no less than 150m from the race course from the Preparatory signal until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee has signaled a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

21 BERTHING [DP] [NP]

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

22 AFLOAT AND HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS [DP]

Boats shall be afloat by 0900 on July 19th and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

23 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS [DP]

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the launch deadline and the end of the regatta. Careening by any means for the purpose of cleaning or inspecting the hull is prohibited during the regatta. The hull may be cleaned at any time by swimming or keelhauling using ropes or cloth.

24 RADIO COMMUNICATION [DP]

24.1 Except in an emergency, a boat, while racing, shall neither make voice or data transmissions nor receive voice or data communications not available to all boats.

24.2 The race committee will use VHF radio channel 72 to communicate to the fleet, which may include the location of the starting area, countdown to the start, OCS sail numbers, general recalls and postponements or abandonments. Failure of the race committee to make these broadcasts or failure to include a sail number or failure of a competitor to hear these broadcasts shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a). It is strongly recommended that each boat has a working VHF on board.

24.3 The race committee may use VHF channel 73 for race committee course operations.

25 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the top five boats in the series. An award will be presented to the boat that finishes mid-fleet, rounded down if necessary.

26 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 26.1** 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 regatta.
- 26.2** All competitors will be required to sign a Competitors Liability Waiver form during registration.

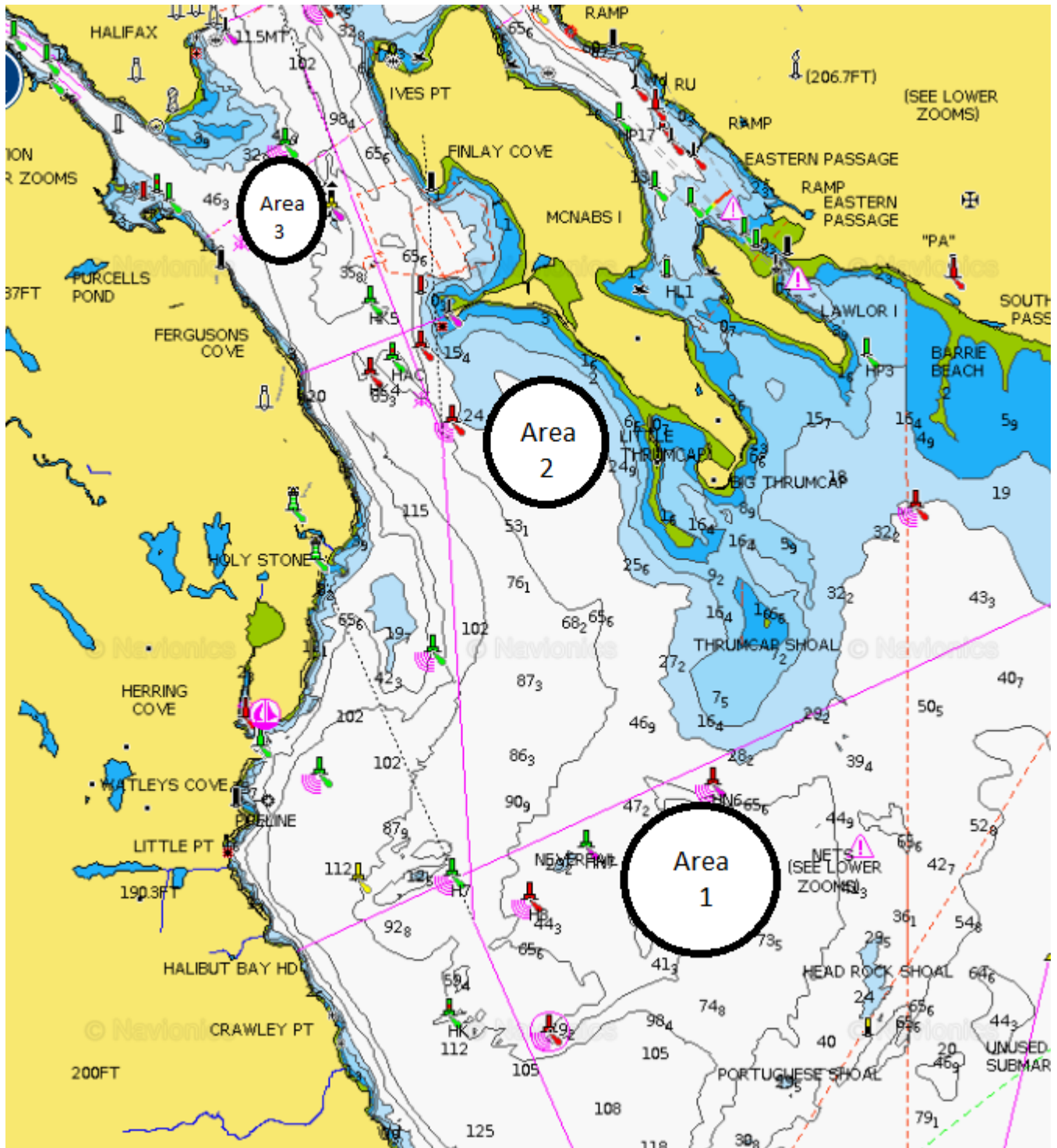
27 INSURANCE [DP]

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of CDN\$1,000,000 per incident or the equivalent. It is the owner or owner's representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event. The organizing authority will require proof of insurance, such as a Certificate of Insurance or a copy of your insurance binder, at registration.

28 MEDIA RIGHTS

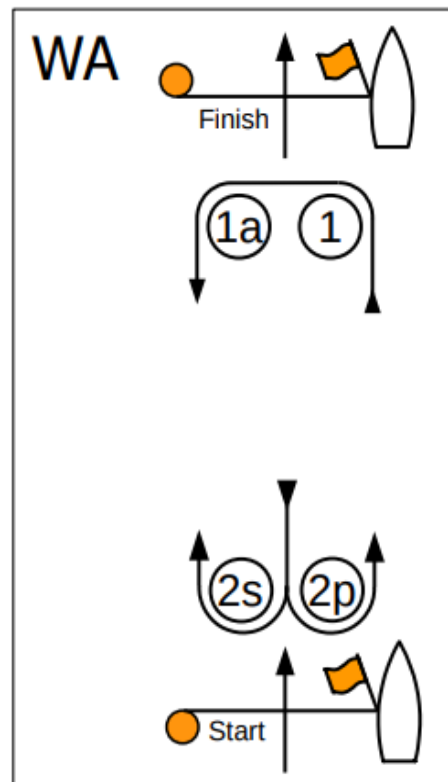
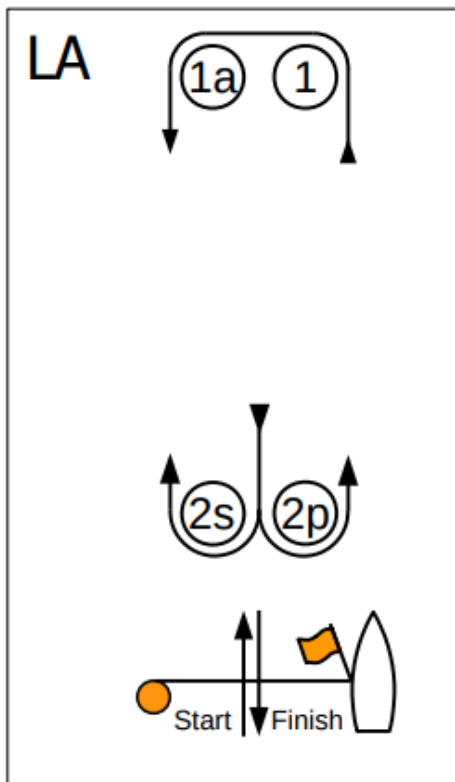
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ATTACHMENT 1



ATTACHMENT 2 COURSE DIAGRAMS

Course	Signal flag
LA2	Numeral Pennant 1
LA3	Numeral Pennant 2
WA3	Numeral Pennant 3



Course LA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Leeward Finish	
<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
LA2	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish
LA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – Finish

Course WA – Windward/Leeward with Offset Mark, Windward Finish	
<i>Signal</i>	<i>Mark Rounding Order</i>
WA3	Start – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – 1 – 1a – 2s/2p – Finish