

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
2006 Spring Regatta
West River Sailing Club
April 29-30, 2006

1.0 RULES The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the 2005-2008 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of the U.S. Sailing Association, the rules of the International 505 and A Class Cat Classes, and by these sailing instructions.

2.0 ENTRY Eligible teams may enter by completing registration with the regatta organizing authority and paying the entry fee. A \$5 penalty will be assessed for those competitors who are not current members of US Sailing.

3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on a window of the WRSC clubhouse near the flagpole.

4.0 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Any change to the Sailing Instructions made on the first day of the series will be posted not later than 15 minutes after the end of the Competitor's Meeting. Except as specified above, any change to these sailing instructions shall be posted at least 1 hour before the departure of the Committee Boat.

5.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole in front of the WRSC Clubhouse. Flag AP with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means 'The race is postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered.'

6.0 SCHEDULE Schedule is as follows:

Saturday, April 29, 2006

0830 hrs - Registration Opens

0930 hrs - Skippers Meeting

1100 hrs - First warning signal

2nd and subsequent races will follow immediately

Sunday, April 30, 2006

1100 hrs - First warning signal

2nd and subsequent races will follow immediately

No race will be started after 1430 hrs on Sunday

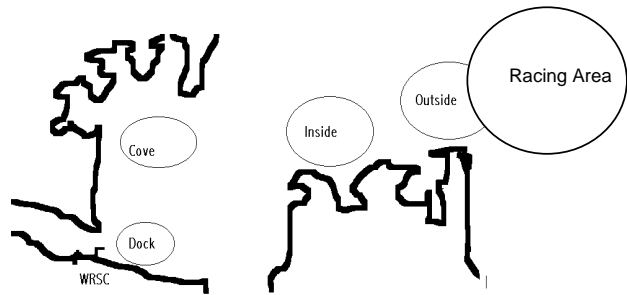
Awards to follow

7.0 RACING AREA The racing area is indicated on the Figure.

8.0 THE COURSE A course consisting of temporary club marks will be set by the Race Committee. The 505 course will consist of a sausage, triangle, sausage with finish to leeward. The A-Cat course will consist of a triple sausage with a down wind finish. The approximate compass bearing from the Start to the first Mark shall be displayed on the starboard side of the Signal Boat. The starting pin will serve both as a leeward mark and finish mark. All turning marks will be left to port. The finish mark will be left to starboard unless the course is shortened in which case it will be left to port.

9.0 START The signals for starting will be in accordance with racing rule 26. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange or yellow flag on the Signal Boat and the port end starting mark. A boat shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal. Individual recall (X flag) will be flown until all early starters have restarted or 4 minutes have expired. The committee may attempt to notify premature starters by hailing sail

numbers. Failure to hear a hail will not be grounds for Redress under RRS 62.



10.0 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START A change of course after the start shall be signaled by a C flag, repeating sounds, and a compass course before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not then be in position. The new mark will be identical in appearance to the old mark. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated, without further signaling, to maintain the original course configuration.

11.0 FINISH The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat also flying a blue flag and the leeward mark.

12.0 TIME LIMIT For the race to be scored, the first yacht must finish within 2 hours from the starting signal. Boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first will be scored "DNF." This changes rule 35 and A4.

13.0 PROTESTS Protests shall be written on forms available in the WRSC clubhouse and lodged with the protest committee's representative before the conclusion of protest time. Protest time begins when the race committee signal boat arrives at WRSC and ends one hour later. Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the end of protest time to inform the competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a protest or named as witnesses.

14.0 SCORING The Low-Point Scoring System, Appendix A4 of the RRS, will be used. There will be one throw out race if five or more races are completed. One race will constitute a series. A "did not finish" boat shall be scored the number of starters plus 1. This changes A4.2.

15.0 PRIZES Prizes will be awarded for the top three teams.