



IOM Canadian National Championship Regatta

“September Blender”

Sailing Instructions

September 21-24 2017, Emerson Lake, High River Alberta

Presented by CRYA and Calgary Model Sailing Association

1. Rules

1.1 The event will be governed by the RULES as defined in World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS) and as modified by RRS Appendix E (Radio Sailing Racing Rules), the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) 2017 - 2020, Prescriptions of Sail Canada, IOM Class Rules, the Notice of Race (NOR) issued for the event, and these Sailing Instructions (SI).

1.2 The Sailing Instructions shall prevail in case of conflict with the Notice of Race. This changes RRS 63.7.

1.3 After the first sentence of RRS 20.1 Hailing, add “The competitor controlling the boat shall hail “(her own sail number) room to tack”.”

2. Notices to Competitors

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board situated near the launching area and verbally announced.

3. Schedule of Races

	Thursday- 9/21	Friday – 9/22	Saturday – 9/23	Sunday – 9/24
Registration/Practice/ measuring	1:00PM – 5:00PM			
Skippers Meeting		9:30 AM	9:30 AM	9:30 AM
First Race/Heat		10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM
Last Race/Heat		5:00 PM*	5:00 PM*	3:00 PM*

* = At the discretion of the Race Officer

4. Scoring system

4.1 The RRS A4 Low Point System, as modified by the Heat Management System, HMS2013 (newer version is available and maybe should be used) and these SI's will apply.

4.2 With the exception of SCP and ZFP, the scoring abbreviations in RRS A11 will apply.
This changes A 11.

4.3 For single heat events RRS A4.2 as modified by these sailing instructions shall apply.

4.4 For events with more than one heat, the HMS shall apply.

4.5 In HMS Multi-heat races, six boat promotion shall apply as announced at the Skippers Meeting or in the racing area.

4.6 There will be no maximum number of races. This changes RRS J2.1(9). Six (6) races must be completed to constitute an event.

4.7 For events with multiple heats, fleet selection for the first race shall be carried out in accordance with HMS

4.8 Seeding shall be based on the CRYA Ranking System; non-ranked entrants shall be seeded in accordance with their most recent known performances.

4.9 HMS 1.5.b is deleted.

4.10 Withdrawn Boats: Withdrawn boats shall obtain permission from the RO before returning to race.

4.11 Excluded Scores (Discards): When the total score is calculated for each boat, her worst scores will be excluded as follows

- *After 4 races have been completed: One (1) discard*
- *After 8 races have been completed: Two (2) discards*
- *After 16 races have been completed: Three (3) discards*
- *And so on for every eight (8) races.*

4.12 Breaking of Ties

When boats are tied at the finishing line, RRS A7 will apply. When a tie for finishing place between two or more boats is to be broken, other than at the finishing line, it shall be decided in favour of the boat with the most first places, and when the tie remains, the most second places and so on. When the tie remains, it shall be decided in favour of the best score in the last race in which there was no tie and should the tie still remain, by the toss of a coin or the drawing of lots. This changes RRS A8, which will not apply.

5. Changes in the Sailing Instructions

5.1 Changes in the S.I.'s for a National or Regional Championship Regatta must be approved by the CRYA Technical Director or by an Event Officer, who has been appointed specifically for the event.

5.2 Any change to the S.I.'s will be posted on the Official Notice Board and shall be implemented only between races. Two sound signals followed by a verbal announcement shall be made by the Race Officer (RO) to call attention to the change.

6. Courses

6.1 Course descriptions will be announced prior to the start of the start countdown sequence.

6.2 Courses can be changed only between heats. Any change to the course will be announced and before the next heat a sound signal and a verbal warning will be made to signal the change.

6.3 During a heat, the RO may shorten the course to the prearranged option. Shortening of the course will be signaled by two sound signals followed by the hail "shortened course" by the RO on the leg before the leading boat starts the leg in which she will finish because of shortening. This changes RRS E3.8(c) and RRS 32.2

7. Launching and Control Area

7.1 Emerson Lake will be a wet launch; please ask for assistance with launching if needed. Wading is permitted for launching of boats. Please use proper footwear (ex. Boots, waders)

7.2 The Control Area is the green grass area along the shoreline and other areas designated by the Race Committee. Skippers will remain in the Control Area while racing. Those not sailing a boat are to keep clear of the Control arear. All public sidewalks shall remain clear of any obstruction at all times. Any changes shall be posted on the Official Notice Board.

8. Launch and Retrieval

8.1 A boat scheduled to race in a heat may be launched, held on the bank, taken ashore and re-launched at any time during the heat however they shall not be released to start after the first boat has finished.

8.2 Only an authorized boat crew, under the direction of the RO, is to operate the rescue boat. The order of rescue of boats or delay in rescuing/freeing a boat shall not of itself be grounds for redress.

9. Starting Procedure

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with a warning signal made two (2) minutes before the starting signal. The starting line will be as described on the course board.

9.2 Following one general recall, RRS 30.1 (I Flag) shall apply to the restart of that heat.

9.3 Following a second general recall for that same heat, RRS 30.3 (U Flag) will be apply

9.4 Following a third general recall RRS 30.4 (Black Flag)] shall apply to all subsequent restarts of that heat.

10. Protests

10.1 Protests will be accepted in accordance with RRS E6 except that RRS E6.5 (Time Limit) is amended by the inclusion of the following: A boat intending to protest shall inform the race committee no later than [two] minutes after the last boat finishes and prior to the Warning signal for the next heat, whichever is the lesser. This changes RRS E6.5.

10.2 Hearing of Protests. Protests and requests for redress will be held at a time and place determined by the race committee

10.3 The race committee may use IRSA SYRPH, a system for Reducing Protest Hearings. This will apply after the heat and before the related protest hearing that may result from this procedure.

11. Identification on Sails

Sail numbering shall be in accordance with RRS E.8, IOM. This changes RRS E.8. A number 1 (or other number as required) will be added to the sail number of boats with identical sail numbers. This will be decided by date of registration.

12. RACE OBSERVANCE

The Race Committee may appoint Race Observers, who may be competitors. Any competitor asked to be an observer shall so do. Only in the event of requiring repairs to his/her boat will the competitor be excused for that heat.

12.1 Race observers will record all incidents involving contact between boats or between boats and a mark. They will also listen for hails of protest and note the sail number(s) of the boat(s) so hailed.

12.2 Race observers will report all unresolved incidents, and any failure to sail the course as required by RRS 28 to the race committee at the end of the heat.

12.3 If an observer sees an incident he/she will promptly hail the sail number(s) of the boat(s) involved stating that the boats(s) have just been seen either:

- a) in contact with a mark or
- b) in contact with another boat(s).

12.4 Any boat breaking a rule of the RRS in an incident called by the observer shall be obliged to take a penalty turn as described in RRS R 44 or face a subsequent Protest Committee hearing.

- Please be respectful to any race Observer.

13. Conduct

13.1 The CRYA recognizes that major events offer considerable publicity opportunities to the Association and the sport generally. Competitor behavior can impact unfavorably on the sport and all competitors are advised that their actions will be under scrutiny. In the event of any behavior that is in breach of Principles of Sportsmanship and Fair Play, or which may bring the sport into disrepute may result in a protest hearing.

13.2 The RO may offer a competitor a two turns on the spot penalty to avoid a protest hearing as in SI 13.1 however the RO is not obliged to make this offer nor is a competitor obliged to accept it in which case a protest hearing shall proceed. The penalty may be directed to be taken after the start of the next heat in which the competitor is scheduled to race, and before starting.

13.3 Penalties available to the Protest Committee include exclusion from the race in question, the series, or other action within the Committee's jurisdiction. The Race Officer and all race officials have been directed to record any incidents and they will be dealt with to the full extent available to the Committee.

14. Smoking

14.1 Smoking is prohibited within the racing area of Emerson Lake. Please smoke away from participants.

Note - The parking areas are considered as smoking approved

15. EMERSON LAKE RULES

15.1 Parking will be within parking stalls located in and around Emerson Pond.

15.2 Smoking is not permitted within the race area. (See 14.1)

15.3 Participants will be responsible for keeping their area clean and properly disposing of trash. Please take out garbage you bring in, and recycle if possible.

15.4 Washroom will be provided; we would appreciate you keeping them clean as they will be used for the entire regatta.

15.5 No pop-up tents other than those to be used by race officials allowed without prior permission from Race Officials.

15.6 No radio controlled aircraft or helicopter of any type to be flown in or operated in the proximity of Emerson Lake at any time by - Regatta participants, volunteers, family members, friends, or their associates without prior permission from Race Officials. ***Although a good reminder, any of this type of operation is illegal in Canada as of earlier this year – it is almost impossible to legally operate a UAV in Canada)

15.7 Please respect the sailing area, Lake, and surrounding area as this is a local Family park. Be mindful of the environment. We wish to come back the following year to enjoy this sailing venue.

