

# The Carter Lake Sailing Club Open Regatta Sailing Instructions-

The notation [DP] in a rule in the Sailing Instructions 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 Sailing Instructions means that breaches in this rule will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

### 1. RULES

- **1.1** This Carter Lake Open Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 (RRS) and its prescriptions
- **1.2**Each boat shall comply with all U.S. Coast Guard, Larimer Country Parks and other applicable governmental laws, rules, or regulations. [DP].
- **1.3** Class rules shall apply for those sailing in One Design (OD) fleets. Each fleet is responsible for enforcement of its class rules.
- **1.4** For any conflicts between the NOR and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions take precedence.
- **1.5**The Carter Lake Sailing Club (CLSC) is the organizing authority (OA).
- **1.6** The RRS will be changed as follows:
  - 1.6.1 SI 4.2 changes RRS Race Signal AP.
  - **1.6.2** SI 7.4 changes RRS 33.
  - **1.6.3** SI 9.2 changes the Race Signals
  - **1.6.4** SI 12.2 modifies Appendix T.
  - **1.6.5** SI 13.1 changes RRS 35
  - 1.6.6 SI 15.2 changes RRS A2.1
  - **1.6.7** SI 15.3 changes RRS A4.2

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- **2.1** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located on the <a href="https://www.sailcarter.org">www.sailcarter.org</a> website and the front window of the CLSC clubhouse.
- **2.2** On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF channel 69.

### 3. SAILING INSTRUCTION CHANGES

- **3.1** Any change in these sailing instructions will be posted before 08:30 or after the Competitor's Meeting on the day it will take effect. Any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.
- **3.2** Oral changes to the SI's may be made on the water under a Code L flag. All boats competing shall come within hail to receive oral changes.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the Race Committee Signal Boat in the club marina area.
- **4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in Race Signals AP.

#### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

**5.1** The Regatta schedule is as follows:

# Saturday, June 3, 2023

- 10:00 Competitor's meeting Carter Lake Sailing Clubhouse
- 11:25 Warning signal for first race, additional races to immediately follow **Sunday, June 4, 2023**
- 09:55 Warning signal for first race, additional races to immediately follow
- **5.2** As many races as practical will be run each day. Races will be run back-to-back with each race immediately following the preceding race. No race will be started (warning signal) after 16:00 on Saturday, June 4, or after 14:30 on Sun. June 5.

### 6. CLASSES

- **6.1** Classes will be announced at the Competitor's meeting.
- **6.2** Classes will consist of PHRF, One-Design and Multihull. PHRF may be split into multiple classes depending on the number of entries. Three or more boats entered may form a One-Design class; however, the minimum number of boats needed to form a fleet may be lessened at the discretion of the regatta chair. Multihulls will sail as a separate class regardless of the number entered.
- **6.3** The authority for interpreting the PHRF rules and issuing certificates is the PHRF handicapping committee of S.A.I.L. Boats racing PHRF should have a current PHRF certificate. Temporary PHRF ratings for non-S.A.I.L. members will be assigned by the race committee and are not subject to appeal.
- **6.4** Class flags will be announced at the competitor's meeting.

## 7. COURSES

- **7.1** The Race Committee Signal Boat will display the course to be sailed on the stern or the side of the signals boat. The course will be designated by indicating the order in which marks are to be passed beginning with the first mark and ending with "F" for finish.
- **7.2** All marks are left to port except for the starboard end of a gate.
- **7.3** The approximate positions of the marks are shown on the racecourse map attached.
- **7.4** To change the next leg of the course; RC will display the number or letter of the next mark. This modifies RRS 33(a) (1) & (2) and 33(b).

### 8. MARKS

Carter Lake Sailing Club race marks are each designated 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, M and G. Marks 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are fixed upright three-foot white plastic cylinders with yellow horizontally banding and may have an orange traffic cone on top to improve visibility. M is an inflatable orange 3' buoy and would normally be deployed as a short windward mark from the start. G is a gate with 18" yellow and red inflatable buoys on either end. M and G may or may not be deployed. Racers may have an Offset Mark at the Windward mark.

# 9. THE START

- **9.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.
- **9.2** The starting line will be between the "RC" flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the starting mark (orange pin), roughly in the center of the lake. This changes the Race Signals (Orange Flag) as the Start Line. The RC flag will be raised on the signal boat at least five minutes before any warning signal is issued.
- **9.3** Boats, not in their starting sequence, shall remain outside 300' of the starting line and avoid interfering with any Fleet in its start sequence. The starting line is bounded by the starting pin and signal boat. The starting line ranks as an obstruction while racing. Violators will be subject to a 20% scoring penalty.
- **9.4** A boat has 5 minutes to start after her class start time. Boats unable to start within this time period shall not race and will be scored DNS.
- **9.5** Additional races will be started as soon as all boats in a class have returned to the starting area. Subsequent starting sequences may be different from the initial starting sequence.

### 10. RECALLS

- 10.1 Recalls will be in accordance with RRS 29.
- **10.2** The Race Committee Signal Boat may hail premature (OCS) starters on VHF channel 69, or vocally. Failure to receive a hail is not grounds for redress.

### 11. THE FINISH

- **12.1** A separate Race Committee Finish Boat will be used for taking finishes.
- **11.2** The finish line will be between a blue flag on the Race Committee Finish Boat and the finishing mark (orange pin with a blue flag).
- 11.3 The finish line will be in the vicinity of the last mark or gate of the course.
- **11.4** Boats shall not cross the finish line unless finishing. The finish line ranks as an obstruction for all boats not on their final leg to finish. Violators will be subject to a 20% scoring penalty.

### 12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- **12.1** RRS 44.2 One-Turn and Two-Turns Penalties shall apply.
- **12.2** A post-race penalty shall be a 20% scoring. An Arbitration Penalty shall be 30% scoring penalty. Neither penalty shall be greater than DNF. This modifies Appendix T.

### 13. TIME LIMIT

- **13.1** The Time Limit for each fleet race is 90 minutes. The race will be abandoned if no boat from a fleet finished within 90 minutes of its starting signal. Once a boat finishes within the time limit, all other boats in the fleet have 30 minutes to finish or they will be scored as TLE. This changes RRS35.
- **13.2** RC may, at its discretion, finish racers from any qualified OD fleet in their current position, if the race is not abandoned and at least one boat has met the time limit. 13.3 PHRF fleets cannot be finished in place.

### 14. PROTESTS

- **14.1** Protesting boats must inform the Race Committee Finish Boat of their intention as soon as practical after finishing or the RC Boat within the protest time if they do not finish.
- **14.2** The Protest Time Limit is 30 minutes after the RC signal boat returns to its slip. Filings are to be made to the Principal Race Officer or any member of the RC. Or filed in the protest box at the CLSC Clubhouse with time submitted noted in the corner. The Protest Time Limit will begin when the Race Committee returns to shore and flies a Code B flag with one horn. Protest forms are available from the Race Committee.
- **14.3** Appeals of protest committee decisions and any PHRF ratings will be made in accordance with procedures prescribed by S.A.I.L.
- 14.4 Appendix T will be used for arbitration.

### 15. SCORING

**15.1** The low point scoring system of Appendix A 4.2 is modified as follows:

DNF, TLE, RET (Retired), DSC = number of finishers plus 1 DNS, OCS, NSC, DNC = number of starters plus 1 DSQ & DNE = total number of boats registered in the Fleet plus 2

- **15.2** Appendix A is modified such that after 6 races have been completed, each competitor's single worst score will be thrown out. A DSQ (DNE) is not eligible to be thrown out.
- **15.3** Scoring ties shall be broken as defined in Appendix A8.

### 16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- **16.1** Boats must meet U.S. Coast Guard, State of Colorado, and Larimer County safety requirements.
- **16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- **16.3** The Race Committee will use VHF Channel 69 for race communication while on the water. Channel 16 will be used for emergency situations.

#### 17. AWARDS

One or more trophies will be given for each fleet depending upon the number of participants.

# Racecourse Attachment

