

**2010 Vlad Kobal Memorial Regatta  
May 1st & 2nd 2010  
Chicago Yacht Club  
Belmont Harbor Station**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing* as defined in the current (*RRS*) 2009-2012.

**2. ENTRIES**

Eligible boats may enter by completing the Official Entry Form and Registration and paying the Entry Fee with the organizing authority.

**3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located outside the Race Committee room.

**4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

4.1 Instructions and Amendments will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

4.2 Any other change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect. A change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

**5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the patio.

5.2 Flag AP means, "The race is postponed do not leave the dock." The Race Signal AP is modified so that the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after the AP is lowered.

**6. SCHEDULE**

12 races are scheduled. The first warning Saturday will be at 11:15 am. The first warning Sunday will be at 10:00 am. No races shall start after 1 PM on Sunday.

**7. RACING AREA**

Races will be outside Belmont Harbor approx. ¼ mile NE of the red nun buoy.

**8. CHECK IN**

8.1 Each boat shall sail by the Race Committee Signal Boat, hail her number and be acknowledged to assure being recorded as a starter. This shall be done at least one minute prior to her first Warning on each day of racing.

8.2 Every boat shall sign in when she returns to shore following racing for the day on a sign in sheet located outside the Race Committee Room.

8.3 Boats successfully protested for violating Sailing Instruction 8.1 or 8.2 shall be penalized on her first race of that day by the jury. The penalty shall be DSQ.

**9. THE COURSE**

9.1 The diagrams in Illustration A show the courses, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark from the starting line may be displayed prior to the Warning Signal.

For the Windward, Leeward Course (Code Flag W) the number of legs will be posted.

9.2 For Modified Olympic Courses the course will be displayed on the sign board as follows:

△ To represent the triangle of the course, W to represent Windward leg, L to represent Leeward leg.

**10. MARKS**

Marks will be orange inflatables. New mark used in Change of Position of the next mark will be a yellow inflatable.

**11. THE START**

11.1 The start shall be in accordance with Appendix S.

11.2 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat at the starboard end and an orange mark designating the port end.

11.3 Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made.

11.4 The Race Committee may hail boats on the course side after the start.

11.5 Short sound signals may be used to call attention to the beginning of the starting sequence of additional races.

**12. CHANGE OF POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK**

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and remove the original as soon as practical. When is a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with the original mark. If the change applies to certain classes, their Class flags will be flown with Code Flag C.

12.2 Changing position of the first mark before the start. In the event of a wind shift after the first fleet has started the Race Committee may postpone the start of the second class and relocate the first windward mark, which will be yellow. Code flag "C" will be flown.

### 13. THE FINISH

13.1 The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the nearby orange mark.

### 14. TIME LIMIT

The time limit is 45 minutes. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat to finish or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes *RRS* 35.

### 15. PROTESTS

15.1 *RRS* 61.1(a) is modified. A boat intending to protest must notify the Race Committee at the finish of the race of her intent to protest and the identity of the protested party.

15.2 Protests will be written on forms available from the Race Committee office and filed within ½ hour of the docking of the Race Committee finish boat.

15.3 Arbitration shall be available when there are only two boats involved and only when the rules of Part 2 of the *RRS* apply. If it becomes clear that that other parts of the *RRS* apply or another boat may be involved, the protest will be moved to a jury. Boats agreeing to arbitration shall be represented by one person only. The arbitration judge shall test any protests for validity. Each boat shall present their case and the Judge shall render an opinion that: “no boat broke a rule”, “one or both boats broke a rule” or the protest should go to a jury. If either party realizes they have broken a rule, they may take a 40% penalty in lieu of having a hearing with a jury. This changes *RRS* 63.1, 63.6 & 66

15.4 Only protests affecting the trophy standings will be heard prior to the Awards Ceremony on Sunday. .

### 16. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System, *RRS* Appendix A2, will apply. Three races constitute a series. One discard will be allowed after 6 races.

### 17. SAFETY

17.1 U.S. Coast Guard approved PFDs, properly secured, shall be worn by competitors from the time a boat leaves the dock until it returns to the dock.

17.2 All boats shall have an attached bowline conforming to class rules. If no class rule exists, then the bowline shall be a minimum of 15' of ¼" line.

17.3 Competitors may not leave the harbor until safety boats are on the water.

17.4 Boats withdrawing from a race shall report their withdrawal to the Race Committee or to a safety boat. If it is not possible to notify their withdrawal while on the water, a boat's crew shall use the radio in the Race Committee room to report their action as soon as they arrive ashore.

17.5 The Race Committee may order a boat ashore for safety reasons. This decision is final without grounds for redress. The boat will be scored Did Not Finish.

17.6 When a race is abandoned, all boats shall return to the dock immediately when directed by the Race Committee or a safety boat.

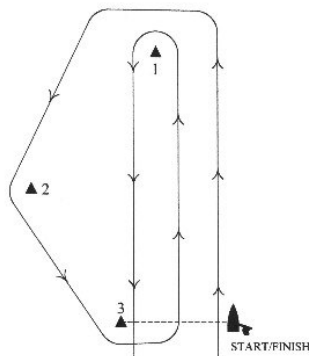
17.7 A boat successfully protested for violating part of SI 17 shall be penalized on the first race of that day by the Jury; the penalty shall be DSQ from that race and shall not be used as a discard.

### 18. PRIZES

Overall prizes shall be awarded to the crews of each boat finishing 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>

## ILLUSTRATION A

### Modified Olympic—Code Flag O



### Windward, Leeward—Code Flag W

The number of legs will be posted.

