



**CRAM CASEVILLE II REGATTA  
F18 GREAT LAKES CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Organizing Authority:  
Catamaran Racing Association of Michigan  
July 11 – 13, 2014



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the “rules” as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 The US Sailing prescriptions to rules 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND INFORMATION MEETING(S)**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board, the location of which shall be announced at the initial competitors’ meeting.
- 2.2 There will be a competitors’ meeting at 0930 hrs on July 11 in the Caseville County Park pavilion.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than 60 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 on the day before it will take effect or within one hour after the Race Committee (RC) signal boat docks, whichever is later.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a boat’s mast on the beach.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 30 minutes” in race signal AP. *This changes race signals AP.*

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1 The first warning signal on each day of the event shall be at 1100 hrs.
- 5.2 The race committee will attempt to run as many races as possible on each day, conditions permitting. There is no maximum number of races.
- 5.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1400 hrs on Sunday, July 13.
- 5.4 Flag “A” displayed with no sound while boats are finishing means ‘No more racing today.’

**6 CLASS FLAGS AND INITIAL ORDER OF START**

- 6.1 **F18 Class:** F18 Class insignia on a **white** flag.
- 6.2 **A Class Catamaran:** A Class insignia on a **yellow** flag.
- 6.3 **Portsmouth Class:** A **purple** flag.

**7 RACING AREA**

Saginaw Bay/Lake Huron, immediately northwest of the beach at Caseville County Park.

**8 THE COURSES**

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 1 show the courses, including the course designation number.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the RC signal boat shall display on its starboard side the designated course number on a placard and may display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

## 9 MARKS

- 9.1 The rounding marks will be described at the initial competitors' meeting and the description will be posted on the official notice board.
- 9.2 The offset mark will be an orange ball.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be inflatable marks, or a float with a staff with an orange flag.

## 10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark or the staff displaying an orange flag as described in instruction 9.3.
- 10.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes rule A4.*

## 11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the position of the next mark, 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 signal boat and the course side of the mark or the staff displaying an orange flag as described in instruction 9.3.

## 13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 Time limits and target times are as follows:

Class	Race Target Time	Race Time Limit	Mark A Time Limit
All	40 minutes	90 minutes	30 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark A (the initial windward mark) within the Mark A/1 time limit the race shall be abandoned.

- 13.2 Boats may be finished on the course at the discretion of the RC. The RC determines the method and order of finishing. *This changes RRS 35 and A4.*

## 14 PENALTY SYSTEM

The two-turns penalty is replaced with the One-turn penalty. *This changes rule 44.1.*

## 15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms are available at the official notice board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee boat docks after the last race of the day or 1500 hrs, whichever is later. *This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.*
- 15.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, the location of which shall be posted on the official notice board, beginning at the time posted on the official notice board.
- 15.4 Protests by the RC or Protest Committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 Breaches of instructions 10.2, 13.2, 17, 18 and 19 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. *This changes rule 60.1(a).* Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

- 15.6 On the last scheduled day of racing, a request to reopen a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day; or (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. *This changes rule 66*
- 15.7 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a PC decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. *This changes RRS 62.2.*

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 One (1) race constitutes a series.
- 16.2 A boat's worst score will be excluded after five (5) races have been completed.
- 16.3 **The scoring abbreviations of rule A11 are amended as follows:**
- DNF** – Did Not Finish – score equal to the number of finishers +1 in that race. *This changes rule A4.2.*
  - TLE** – Time Limit Expired – boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the first finisher shall receive a score equal to the number of finishers +1, but no more than the number of starters in that race. *This changes rule 35.*
  - DNS** – Did Not Start – score equal to the number of registrants in that class. *This changes rule A11.*
  - OCS** – On Course Side – score equal to the number of registrants in that class. *This changes rule A11.*

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 17.1 Before the start of the first race of the day, and after any postponement ashore, competitors are requested to sail past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack and hail their sail numbers to check in.
- 17.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **18 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT**

- 18.1 Substitution of competitors beyond the final entry list will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 18.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Request for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

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

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

## **21 AWARDS**

Awards will be presented at the Awards Ceremony after the conclusion of racing on the last day of the event.

## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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.

# ATTACHMENT A

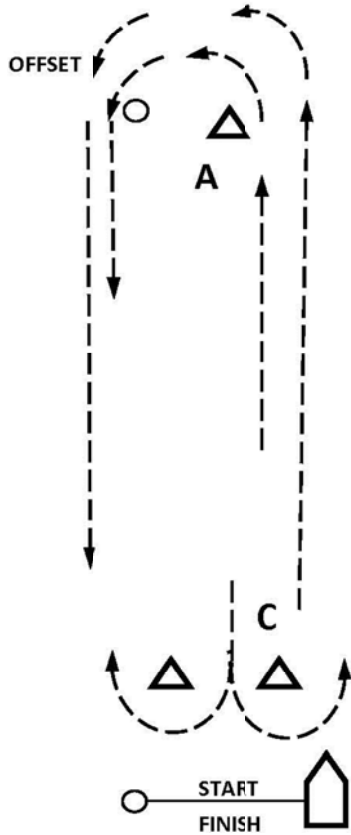
ILLUSTRATING THE COURSES

## COURSE 1 and 2 DIAGRAM and ROUNDING ORDER (Not to Scale)

Course 1: START – A – Offset – C – A – Offset – FINISH  
(2 laps / 4 legs, downwind finish)

Course 2: START – A – Offset – C – A – Offset – C – A – Offset – FINISH  
(3 laps / 6 legs, downwind finish)

Mark C may be either a gate or a single mark



## COURSE 5 and 6 DIAGRAM and ROUNDING ORDER (Not to Scale)

Course 5: START – A – Offset – C – FINISH  
(1 ½ laps / 3 legs, upwind finish)

Course 6: START – A – Offset – C – A – Offset – C – FINISH  
(2 ½ laps / 5 legs, upwind finish)

Mark C may be either a gate or a single mark

