



# SUPPLEMENTAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

MANISTEE REGATTA, August 6-8, 2021

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The Catamaran Racing Association of Michigan (CRAM) is the Organizing Authority.

The notation '[NP]' in a rule in the SI means that instruction is not grounds for protest or a request for redress by a boat. This changes rule 60.1. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule, may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3 [NP] RRS 40.1 applies at all times.

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

Notices to competitors shall be posted on the official electronic notice board (<https://www.cramsailing.com/regattas/notice-board>), and the physical notice board located at the Santana RV.

## 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions shall be posted not less than 90 minutes prior to the first scheduled race on the day it shall take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races shall be posted by 18:00 or by the protest time limit, whichever is later on the day before it will take effect.

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals ashore will be displayed at a location which will be announced at the initial competitors' meeting and published in the SSIs.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The first warning signal on 8/6 and 8/7 will be at 11:00; the first warning signal on 8/8 will be at 10:30.
- 5.2 A distance race is scheduled for Friday, 8/6.
- 5.3 The Race Committee (RC) will attempt to run three to five races per day, conditions permitting. There is no maximum number of races.
- 5.4 No warning signal will be made after 13:00 on 8/8.

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 **F18 Class and Low Open:** Pennant 2.
- 6.2 **Hobie 16 and High Open:** Hobie 'Flying H' on a gold flag.

## 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 On Friday, 8/6, the distance course will be used.
- 7.2 On Saturday, 8/7, and Sunday, 8/8, the CRAM Standard Courses will be used.
- 7.3 The diagrams in **Appendix A** show the courses (including the course designation number), the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.4 The RC intends to have a gate at the leeward end of the course. However, a single leeward mark may be set, in which case it shall be left to port.
- 7.5 The RC signal boat shall display on its starboard side the designated course number on a placard and may also display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 Marks A, B and C (the gate) shall be **orange** inflatable marks.
- 8.2 Change marks, if used and as provided in SI 12, shall be a **yellow** inflatable mark.
- 8.3 The starting and finishing marks shall be inflatable marks or a flag on a staff, distinct from the rounding marks.

## **9 THE START**

- 9.1 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark as described in SI 9.4.
- 9.2 The distance race on Friday, 8/6, will implement a Le Mans-style start on the beach inside the Manistee River channel break wall.
- 9.3 A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. *This changes rule A5.1.*

## **10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE DURING A SERIES OF STARTS**

- 10.1 The Race Committee may signal a change of course for a class not started as follows: Flag C will be displayed at or before the warning signal for that class with multiple sounds. The new A Mark will be **yellow**, but after a second change during the race, the changed mark will be **orange**. Flag C will continue to be displayed to each class for which the **yellow** Mark 1 applies.
- 10.2 To change the position of the next mark during a race, the RC shall 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 shall be replaced by an original mark.

## **11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of the mark described in SI 9.4.
- 11.2 The distance race on Friday, 8/6, will implement a gate-style (two orange tetrahedrons) that will be sighted from shore.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

## **13 TIME LIMITS (DISTANCE RACE IS EXCLUDED)**

- 13.1 The time limit for each race is ninety (90) minutes.
- 13.2 If no boat has passed the first A Mark within thirty (30) minutes, the race shall be abandoned.
- 13.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. *This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A10.*
- 13.4 The Race Committee may finish stragglers on the course. The method of finishing and positions awarded shall be at the discretion of the Race Committee. *This changes RRS 35 and A5.1.*

## **14 SCORING**

- 14.1 Four boats of the same one-design class are required to make a fleet, otherwise they will sail in the Open Fleet(s). Skippers from a fleet that are serving on the race committee shall be added to those registered to race when determining fleets.
- 14.2 The Small Catamaran Handicap Rating System (SCHRS) will be used to score Open fleets.
- 14.3 The distance race on Friday, 8/6, will be scored separately from the weekend portion of the regatta. All boats will compete in one open fleet, scored under SCHRS.
- 14.4 One (1) race shall constitute a series.
- 14.5 In accordance with RRS A2.1, a boat's worst score shall be excluded after five (5) races have been completed.
- 14.6 The points awarded of RRS A5.2 and scoring abbreviations of RRS A10 are amended as follows:
  - DNF** (Did Not Finish) – score equal to the number of finishers +1 in that race.
  - 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. *This also changes RRS 35.*
  - DNS** (Did Not Start) – score equal to the number of registrants in that class.
  - OCS** (On Course Side) – score equal to the number of registrants in that class.

## **15 SAFETY REGULATIONS [DP][NP]**

- 15.1 Each boat is required to have a righting system that allows the boat to be righted by the boat's crew.
- 15.2 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.
- 15.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

**Appendix A**  
**CRAM Standard Courses**

**CRAM** STANDARD COURSES

Refer to the Sailing Instructions for official courses

WIND

COURSE 3,5,6 ONLY

START FINISH

<b>1</b>	<b>A C A</b>	<b>DOWNWIND FINISH</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>A C A C A</b>	<b>DOWNWIND FINISH</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>A C A B C</b>	<b>UPWIND FINISH</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>A C A B C A</b>	<b>DOWNWIND FINISH</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>A C</b>	<b>UPWIND FINISH</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>A C A C</b>	<b>UPWIND FINISH</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>A B C A</b>	<b>DOWNWIND FINISH</b>

ALL MARKS LEFT TO PORT, EXCEPT GATES  
An offset mark may be used at A Mark  
C Mark may be a gate (shown) or a single mark

**Distance Course (Friday, 8/6 ONLY)**

SEE ATTACHED COURSE INFORMATION