2018 CLUB PHRF FLEET
Oriental Dinghy Club
www.orientaldinghyclub.com

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES
1.1 The races and series will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS AND CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
2.1 Notices to competitors and changes to sailing instructions will be posted on the ODC website.
2.2 For on the water oral changes of the sailing instructions the “L” flag will be displayed on the signal boat. The change will be announced on VHF channel 78A prior to the warning signal. This changes Race Signals.

3 SCHEDULE OF RACES
3.1 Racing dates: See official schedule is posted on ODC website: www.orientaldinghyclub.com/racing.html
3.2 Number of races: Up to 4 races maybe sailed each day. This may be changed by the PRO.
3.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race of the day is 1230.
3.4 Should a decision not to race be made, the fleet captain or his designee will send an email by 0830 on race day to the membership with the subject line ”Races postponed to be determined”.

4 DIVISION FLAGS
    1 JAM – PHRF (all ratings) [Pennant “1”]
    3 SPIN– PHRF (all ratings) [Pennant “3”]

5 THE COURSE
5.1 The signal boat will set a course in the waters off of Oriental, NC. The courses for each race will be posted on the signal boat.
5.2 The courses to be sailed will be displayed on the Signal Boat prior each class’s Warning Signal. Classes may be assigned different courses. The courses may be windward/leeward (WL), triangle (T), or a combinations of both (see course diagrams). No leg of the course shall pass through the Start/Finish line except to start or finish. Alternatively, at the discretion of the PRO, the course may be displayed on a course board designating each mark in the order to be rounded. Mark designations (W, L, J, O, G, A, GT) when displayed in RED are to be left to Port and when in GREEN to be left to Starboard.
5.3 Race course diagrams (shown on page 2)

6 MARKS
6.1 The following government marks may be used: Garbacoa (G); Oriental 1 (O); AC1 (A) and Gum Thicket "R6"(T).
6.2 Marks (W), (L) and Reaching Mark (R) are orange marks the start/finish mark is a yellow mark. These mark colors are the preferred colors but, may be changed due to availability.

7 THE START AND FINISH
7.1 Per "The Racing Rules of Sailing", the Start sequence will be in accordance with Rule 26. This is a 5 minute sequence. (The 5 minute Warning Signal is usually but not always preceded by a multiple beep "wake-up call")
7.2 The start and finish line will be between the orange flag on the signal boat and the adjacent starting/finishing mark.
7.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the the starting area.
7.4 All boats shall pass by the starboard side of the signal boat and check in with the race committee after the Lima flag is flown and prior to their warning signal.
7.5 The start/finish line is closed except for starting and finishing.

8 TIME LIMIT
8.1 The time limit for the first boat in each division to finish will be two hours after its start.
8.2 Boats still racing 60 minutes after the first boat in their division sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). This changes rules 35 and A11.

9 PROTESTS
9.1 Notification that a protest will be filed shall be reported by the protesting boat to the race committee on the signal boat. If possible, a protest committee will be selected at the social and a hearing will take place at that time. Note that the rules permit a hearing to be held, and a decision to be made, in the absence of either
party. If a protest is unable to be heard at that time, the RC will notify parties of an alternative time and location.

10 SCORING

10.1 The race will be scored using the Time on Time (ToT) method.

10.2 The Fleet Series will be scored on the Low Point System. One-(1) discard is allowed for every six-(6) races. Results will be posted on the ODC website.

10.3 Boats scored TLE will be scored by the race committee points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two without a hearing. This changes rule A4.1.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Race communication will be on VHF channel 78A.

Courses will be indicated by an appropriate number plus letters displaced on the Signal Boat. All marks will be left to Port. The Starting mark is used only for the Start and Finish. After starting boats may not sail through the Start/Finish Line except to finish. Boats on 2nd weather leg, and all downwind legs, may pass either side of the Start/Finish Line.

Example: ”2WL”
   ”2” indicates that competitors must sail 2 times around the course.
   ”WL” indicates course configuration is Windward/Leeward

COURSE DIAGRAMS