

**Sailing Instructions**  
**Star of the North Regatta**  
**Capri 25, Sonar, S2 7.9 One Design Championship**  
**Wayzata Yacht Club, Wayzata, Minnesota**  
**September 24-26, 2010**

**1) RULES**

This regatta will be governed by the 2009-2012 RRS, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of the Capri 25 One-Design Class (as modified by Attachment A), the one design rules of the Sonar Class Association, and the one design rules of the S2 7.9 Class Association. In addition, the Sonar Class Non-Spinnaker Division will be subject to "SCA Appendix B – Alternative Rules," except that competitors in the Non-Spinnaker Division need not be disabled.

**2) ENTRIES / ELIGIBILITY**

This event is open to any boat:

- a) Meeting the measurement criteria of:
  - (1) Capri 25 One Design Class
  - (2) Sonar Class
  - (3) S2 7.9 Class
- b) Registered and paid the required fees.
- c) Covered by paid up liability insurance of at least \$300,000, and have proof of such.

**3) NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- a) Notices ashore will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located at the WYC.
- b) All Notices on the water will be transmitted by verbal hail. In addition, they may be made by VHF radio on channel 68. Failure to receive or hear any radio transmissions will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1.

**4) CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- a) Change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that questions that arise at the competitors meeting requiring a change may be posted at the end of that meeting.
- b) The PRO may change the Sailing Instruction on the water using Rule 3b above.

**5) SIGNALS**

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Signal Boat at the dock, or the WYC flag pole.

**6) SCHEDULE**

- a) **Competitors Meeting** – 0830 hrs, WYC, Friday September 24th.
- b) **Daily Schedule**
  - (1) **Friday September 24th:** 1000 Warning for Race #1. Up to 4 races may be sailed.
  - (2) **Saturday September 25th:** 1000 Warning for first race of the day in the Browns Bay area of the main lake will be a medium distance race with marks placed in various parts of the lake. This course will be described from the committee boat at the starting line and by VHF radio. The second race of the day will follow the 1<sup>st</sup> race. A third race may follow the second race if time allows. The race committee may elect to substitute up to 3 short races for the medium distance race on Saturday.

- (3) **Sunday September 26th:** 1000 Warning for first race of day. Up to 2 races may be sailed. No initial warning signal shall be made after 1230.

**7) RACING AREA**

Buoy races will start and finish in the Main Lower Lake unless changed by the RC. The Medium Distance race will start in Brown Bay area of the Main Lower Lake and finish wherever the RC places the finish as announced by the RC.

**8) EQUIPMENT**

- a) While racing, all transom-mounted motors shall either be stowed aboard or left mounted with the shaft in the vertical position.
- b) VHF radios may be carried and competitors may listen to the RC on channel 68. However, competitors may not transmit on 68 except in the event of an emergency.
- c) No other electronic communication may be used for sending or receiving, except a Kattack GPS unit as described in (d).
- d) All boats are encouraged to carry a Kattack-compatible GPS to collect data, which will be downloaded after each day's racing for the purpose of watching the races in the clubhouse or on personal computers. Failure of GPS equipment or user error shall not be cause for protest or redress. Kattack data will not be allowed as evidence in an arbitration or protest hearing.

**9) RACING COURSES**

- a) Buoy Courses – shall be as defined in the 2010 WYC Sailing Instructions and posted on the RC boat before the warning.
- b) The Medium Distance Race will be described from the Signal boat prior to its warning.

**10) THE START**

- a) Races will be started in accordance with Rule 26.
- b) The order of start for all races shall be:
  - (1) Capri 25
  - (2) Sonar
  - (3) S2 7.9
- c) The starting line for all races will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and the course side of the starting mark.

**11) CLASS FLAGS**

- a) Capri 25 – Yellow
- b) Sonar – Red
- c) S2 7.9 -- Green

**12) RECALLS**

- a) Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. The Race Committee may attempt to notify premature starters by hail and/or VHF radio channel 68, but is under no obligation to do so. Failure to receive or hear any radio transmission will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 60.1.
- b) No sound signal will be made when lowering First Substitute after a General Recall. A class recalled shall go to the end of the start sequence and start five minutes after the last class. This changes RRS 29.2.

### **13) THE FINISH**

The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the course side of the finish mark.

### **14) TIME LIMIT**

- a) Buoy Races will have a 2-hour time limit. In the event of light air, the Race Committee may shorten the time limit to 1 hour by displaying Flag "S" prior to the warning signal.
- b) Medium Distance Race shall have a 5-hour time limit unless modified by the RC.
- c) Yachts finishing more than 30 minutes after the first boat of her class finishes on buoy races and 1 hour on the Medium Distance Race, shall be scored "Did Not Finish" (DNF). This changes RRS 35 and A4.2.
- d) If no boat in a class finishes within the time limit, that race will be automatically abandoned for that class even though it may not be abandoned for other classes who had at least one boat finish within the time limit.

### **15) RETIREMENT**

A yacht that retires or doesn't compete is asked to notify the RC.

### **16) PROTESTS**

- a) Rule 61.1(a) is changed to add that a boat intending to protest another boat shall, as soon as possible after finishing or retiring, inform the finish line Committee Boat of her intent to protest and the sail number(s) of the boat(s) being protested.
- b) Protests shall be written on U.S. Sailing protest forms (available in the Protest Box at the WYC).
- c) Protests shall be filed in the Protest Box at the WYC within the time limit.
- d) Time Limit - The time limit for filing protests shall be one hour after the docking of the Committee Boat after the last race of the day.
- e) The Protest Chairman will post the time and place of protest hearings on the official Regatta Notice Board located at the WYC.
- f) Each individual arbitrator may participate in all protest committee hearings, even if the individual had handled the protest in arbitration.

### **17) ARBITRATION**

- a) For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule of Part 2 of the RRS, a short arbitration hearing will be held on shore after the last race of the day on which the incident occurred. When more than 2 boats are involved in the same incident, the matter may be referred directly to the protest committee without arbitration.
- b) After a written protest form is properly lodged, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator unless the protestor has good reason to request the protest be withdrawn and the arbitrator allows the protest to be withdrawn. Witnesses will not be allowed in the arbitration proceeding.
- c) When parties in arbitration do not present facts that enable a ruling by the arbitrator, the arbitrator shall refer the issue to the protest committee. Arbitration shall not be reopened after referral to the protest committee. If both parties accept the arbitrator's ruling, the process is ended. If one of the parties does not accept the arbitrator's ruling, the protest will proceed to the full protest committee as detailed in the RRS and these Sailing Instructions.
- d) A boat that accepts the arbitrator's ruling that she broke a rule of Part 2 of the RRS shall receive a penalty of 2 points or points equal to 20% of the number of boats finishing that

race, whichever is greater. The acceptance of an arbitration penalty cannot be grounds for redress or appeal.

### **18) SCORING**

- a) There will be a maximum of 9 races. If five or more races are completed there is one throw out.
- b) The Low Point System as provided for by Rule A4.1 will apply.
- c) One race will constitute a series.
- d) All Sonars (Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker divisions) will be scored as one class.

### **19) PRIZES**

- a) Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 boats in the Capri 25, Sonar (including both Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker divisions), and S2 7.9 classes.
- b) In addition, prizes will be awarded to the top 3 Sonars competing in the Non-Spinnaker division. It is possible that a Sonar in the Non-Spinnaker division may be awarded a trophy in both divisions.

### **20) NOTICE OF LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

The Wayzata Yacht Club and/or the Regatta Committee, its members or any other committee or sponsor shall not be liable for any injury or damage whatsoever to persons or property whether caused by or resulting from their act, omission or alleged negligence, or from weather or sea conditions, hazards of any kind, defects or failure of yachts to be seaworthy in hull, rigging or gear, or any acts, omissions or alleged negligence of other participants which may occur during or arising out of or in connection with any race, regatta, event, cruise, spectacle or any activity sponsored or aided in whole or in part by the Wayzata Yacht Club. Notice is hereby given to all participants (including crew, spectators, officials and others) that they participate in any activity solely at their own risk.

## Attachment A

WYC Capri 25 one-design fleet rules as posted on the Club website, shall apply with the following modifications/clarifications:

- 1) A list declaring the number of crew participating on each day of the regatta must be provided for each yacht at Registration. Changes must be submitted in writing and approved by the Capri fleet Rules Committee Chairman before 0800 the day of the race.
- 2) There will be no requirement for minimum or maximum crew weight.
- 3) The minimum number of crew will be 4 (includes skipper and crew).
- 4) The maximum number of crew will be 6 (includes skipper and crew).
- 5) No ISAF Group 3 (professional) sailors shall be allowed to race.
- 6) No skipper or crew shall receive compensation to race in the regatta.
- 7) Each boat skipper must submit to and/or provide whatever measurements or inspections are needed to demonstrate that they meet the WYC Capri 25 one-design rules and the rules of the regatta. This documentation will include signing appropriate regatta forms attesting they meet the underwater and above water standards for hull shape and standing rigging, and also attest they have all required boat appurtenances and safety equipment on their vessel. The rules committee may make a physical inspection of a boat including lifting it out of the water to make measurements.
- 8) WYC Capri 25 Fleet one-design rules regarding sail inventory and purchasing sails will remain in effect for WYC yachts. This means that no sails other than those allowed by the WYC Capri 25 Fleet one-design rules will be allowed for WYC boats.
- 9) Non-WYC Capri 25 competitors will be provided the same new sail inventory considerations as provided for new boats in the WYC Capri 25 Fleet one-design rules under the standard WYC Capri 25 one-design rules.
- 10) A yacht that does not comply with the WYC Capri 25 Fleet one-design rules may request the regatta rules committee to review their non-conformance issues and provide a ruling regarding their ability to participate. The rules committee will make a ruling based solely on the speed potential of the non-conforming specification. The rules committee may;
  - a) Allow participation with no conditions.
  - b) Allow participation with conditions concerning certain equipment. (i.e.: must use conforming spinnaker pole)
  - c) Disallow participation

Feel free to contact the rules committee with questions.

- 1 Steve Truax - Chair
- 2 Nils Brennom
- 3 Mark Weum
- 4 Billy Laughlin
- 5 Bruce Tam