

STANDARD SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

MUSTO PERFORMANCE SKIFF CLASS OPEN MEETING

Date
Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 No national authority prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3 **The Equipment Rules of Sailing** will apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at .

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 2 hours before the scheduled starting time of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at .
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 4.3 Flag B hoisted with one sound signal means "Protest time has begun". When lowered half way it means, "There are less than 30 minutes of protest time remaining". When lowered it means "Protest time has ended".

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is .
- 5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an AP flag will be displayed with one sound for at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
- 5.4 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flag will be a white flag with the Musto Performance Skiff logo.

7 RACING AREAS

Attachment B (*not included*) shows the location of racing areas.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The diagram in Attachment A (*not included*) shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. The approximate course length will be .

8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8.3 When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1, 2, 3S and 3P will be .

9.2 New marks, as provided in instruction 12.1, will be .

9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be .

9.4 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 12.2.

9.5 Race Committee Boats may be stationed beyond each mark and the finish line, identified as per SI 21. When displaying this signal, she shall have right of way at all times. Hindrance by such boats shall not be grounds for redress. Failure of a boat to be on station or to display her signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as obstructions: .

11 THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26.

11.2 The starting line will be .

11.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, 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.

12.2 Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.

12.3 Changing (Shortening) course to the finish: If a committee boat displaying flag F and making repetitive sound signals is on station near the leeward gate 3S/P, boats shall round mark 3P and proceed directly to the finish. The committee boat on station at the finish will display flag S with two sounds. This changes race signal S.

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between staffs displaying blue flags on the finishing marks.

13.2 Lowering the blue flag when the last boat has finished the race or the time limit has expired will close the finishing line.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that the penalty is only one turn, including one tack and one gybe.

14.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 31.2 or 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgment form at the race office within the protest time limit.

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 Time limits are as follows:

<i>Time limit</i>	<i>Mark 1 time limit</i>
60 minutes	20 minutes

If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned.

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 35 and A4.

OR

15.2 After the first boat has finished the Race Officer shall keep the finish line open for 10 minutes. At this point, boats that have not crossed the finish line shall be scored their position as recorded at Mark 2. At the close of the finish line, the Mark 2 recording boat will move down the course and record the final positions of any trailing boats. This changes RRS 28. The decision of the Race Officer shall be final and shall not be grounds for redress under 62.1a.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the race office. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the hoisting of Code Flag B – SI 4.3. This will be hoisted as soon as practical as the boats return to shore. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

16.3 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 jury room located at...

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or jury will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

16.5 Breaches of instructions 11.3, 14.2, 18, 19.2, 23 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches and class rule breaches may be less than disqualification if the jury so decides.

16.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening 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;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

16.7 Decisions of the jury will be final as provided in rule 70.4.

16.8 The jury boats may be positioned anywhere on the course area. Their position at any time shall not be grounds for redress.

17 SCORING

17.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply.

17.2 2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

17.3 (a) When fewer than 2 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

- (b) When from 3 to 9 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When from 10 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.

17.4 The scoring abbreviation for a discretionary penalty imposed under instruction 16.5 will be DPI.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

(Add here any tally or signing on/off system if being used)

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless approved by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

20 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.

21 OFFICIAL BOATS

Official boats will be marked as follows: .

24 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: .

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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.

26 INSURANCE

The boat is required to hold adequate third-party insurance, and it is the owner or owner's representative's responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate.

27 BOW NUMBERS

If required, boats shall display bow numbers during the event. These, and instructions as to position will be supplied by the organising authority. It is the responsibility of the crew to ensure the numbers remain on the boat and obtain replacements as necessary.

28 CAMERAS & ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the organising authority.

29 RUBBISH DISPOSAL

Boats shall not put rubbish in the water. Rubbish may be placed aboard support and race committee boats.