BACARDÍ
MIAMI SAILING WEEK
EFG

Coconut Grove, Florida
March 9 – March 11, 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
A-Cat, Melges 24, Flying Tiger 7.5

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 The following prescriptions of US Sailing shall apply: 61.4, 67 and 76.1.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Hospitality Village in Regatta Park.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except any change in 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 from the flag pole located at Regatta Park.

4.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 A competitors meeting will be held at Regatta Park on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 1730 hours near the flag pole

5.2 First warning March 9, 10 and 11 will be at 1055 daily.

5.3 There will be no warning after 1400 on Saturday, March 11, 2017 except that after the initial warning, any warning that follows one or more General Recalls may occur after 1400.

5.4 The race committee will signal its intent to conduct another race by displaying Code Flag 'R' at the finish of a race without a sound.

5.5 The starting order for each class shall be: Melges 1st start, A-Cat second start, Flying Tiger 75 third start.

5.6 After the first race each day finishes, the race committee may start a class out of sequence while others are still racing.

6. RACE AREA

6.1 The following classes will sail on Delta Course: A-Cat, Melges 24 and Flying Tiger 7.5. See laminated attachment found in skipper bag.

7. CLASS FLAGS

7.1 Class flag for Flying Tiger 7.5 is: Code Flag 'F'

7.2 Class flag for Melges 24 is: Melges 24 insignia on a white flag

7.3 Class flag for A-Cat is: A-Cat insignia on a white flag

8. THE COURSES

8.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course by displaying the course identifier, approximate magnetic bearing and distance to the first mark. See example below:

4
180
1.0

8.2 The course diagrams are shown in Attachment I.

9. MARKS

9.1 Windward mark will be orange inflatable with an orange inflatable off set to be rounded to port.

9.2 Leeward gate will be red inflatable marks. If one of the gate mark is missing, boats shall round the existing leeward mark to port.

10. THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.

10.2. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and a yellow inflatable mark on the port end of the line.

10.3 An inflatable buoy may be tethered to the stern of the committee boat and will function as an extension of the race committee vessel. Boats shall not pass between the race committee vessel and the buoy tethered to it.

10.4 A boat starting later than four (4) minutes after her starting signal will be scored *DID NOT START* (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RR A4.1.

11. RECALLS

11.1 When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee will attempt to notify the OCS boat via VHF by calling sail number or any identifier of the boat. Failure of a boat to see or hear the recall notification, and the timing and order of such hails or the length of time it takes to make notification on the race committee VHF channel will not be grounds for protest or redress. (This changes RRS 62.1 (a)).

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 RRS 33 will apply

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and a nearby yellow inflatable mark.

14. TIME LIMIT

14.1 Any race in which no boat in a class, rounds the first windward mark within 45 minutes, or finishes within two hours of the start shall be abandoned.

14.2 All boats not finishing within 30 minutes of the finish time of the first boat to finish a race, shall be scored “Time Limit Expired” (TLE). A TLE score for all boats still competing when the time limit expires shall be one more point than the number of boats that have finished within the time limit. (This changes Rule 35, Appendices A4.1, A4.2 and AII).

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that a Two-Turn-Penalty is replace with a One-Turn-Penalty except for breaches of RRS18.

15.2 RRS 44.3 (a) and (b) will apply.

15.3 Alternatively, a boat may take a Scoring Penalty in compliance with Rule 44.3(c) for breaking a rule of Part 2 prior to a jury hearing by acknowledging in writing breaking a rule. If approved by the jury, the penalty shall be 20% of the number of boats entered in that regatta (rounding 0.5 upward), but shall not be less than 5 places not worse than DNF.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms will be obtained from the reception desk at Coral Reef Yacht Club. Protests and request for redress will be delivered to the Protest Desk within sixty (60) minutes after the race committee vessel docks.

16.2 Preliminary scores and actions by the race committee will be posted within sixty (60) minutes after the race committee vessel docks.

16.3 Scoring inquiry forms will be available at the reception desk at Coral Reef Yacht Club and must be delivered to the Protest Desk within sixty (60) minutes after the race committee vessel docks. The representative of a yacht with a scoring inquiry shall be the owner of the boat or the helmsman.
16.4 On the last day of the regatta, a request for re-opening a hearing shall be delivered: (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting re-opening was informed of the decision on the previous day; (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting re-opening was informed of the decision on that day.
16.5 On the last day of the regatta a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2
16.6 All decisions by the International Jury are final.

17 SCORING
17.1 There are 9 races scheduled and one race constitutes a series.
17.2 The Low Point Scoring System shall apply with the following exception:
17.3 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's worst score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

18 SAFETY
18.1 Each boat is expected to carry a VHF and monitor channel 69.
18.2 A safety and first-aid notice has been provided to each skipper; it is the responsibility of the skipper to be familiar with it and to review it with his/her crew.
18.3 Each boat is required to check in prior to the first warning each day by sailing past the stern of the race committee vessel on starboard tack.
18.4 Boats may also check in using VHF 69.
18.5 A boat retiring from a race or leave the racing area shall notify a race committee vessel on VHF 69. Notification can be made to the PRO: Sharon Bourke via cell phone: 305-342-2528 or Regatta Chairman: Mark Pincus: 305-915-1438.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW/EQUIPMENT
19.1 Substitution of crew shall not be permitted without prior written approval of the race committee.
19.2 Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be permitted without prior written approval of the race committee.

20 LAUNCHING AND HAUL OUT REQUIREMENTS
20.1 Flying Tiger: all boats will be launched by 1700 hours on March 8, 2017 and remain in the water at Shake-A-Leg for the duration of the event. Launching and trailer storage is at Regatta Park in Coconut Grove. All boats/trailers are required to leave Regatta Park by Sunday March 12, 2017
20.2 Melges 24: all boats will be launched by 1700 hours on March 8, 2017 and remain in the water at Dinner Key Marina for the duration of the event. Launching can be done from Shake-A-Leg or USSC in Coconut Grove. All boats must stop at the Registration Desk to pay and retrieve permits for trailer storage. All boats must leave Regatta Park by Sunday March 12, 2017.
20.3 A-Cats: Daily launching is available from Seminole Ramp in Regatta Park. All boats shall come out of the water after racing daily unless granted prior written permission by the race chairman. Storage will be at Regatta Park. All competitors are required to stop by the Registration Desk to retrieve permits. All boats must leave Regatta Park by Sunday March 12, 2017

21 SUPORT BOATS
21.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support persons shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have finished, retired or race committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in a discretionary penalty by the jury.
21.2 Trash may be placed in support or official boats.

22 DIVING AND PLASTIC POOLS

22.1 Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in a discretionary penalty by the jury.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

23.1 Except in an emergency, a boat this is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that is not available to all boats. Failure to comply with this instruction may result in a discretionary penalty by the jury.

24 PRIZES

24.1 Prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place for each class.

25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

25.1 Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, the race committee, international jury, sponsors or any other affiliated authority will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury of any competitor including death, sustained because of practice for, or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from all liability associated with the competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Sharon Bourke PRO

P. Sharon Bourke

February 11, 2017

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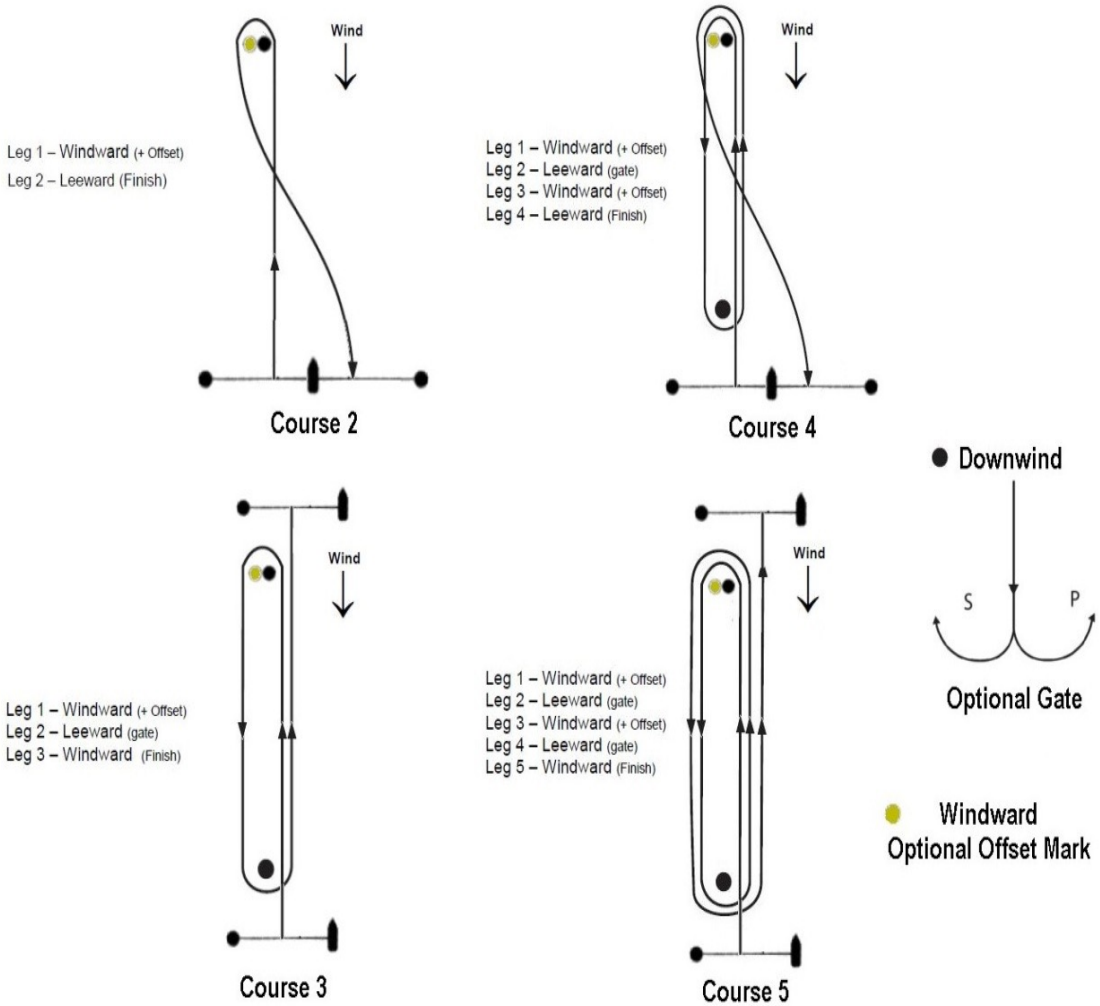
Attachment I

Course Diagrams – Flying Tiger 7.5, Melges 24, A-Cat



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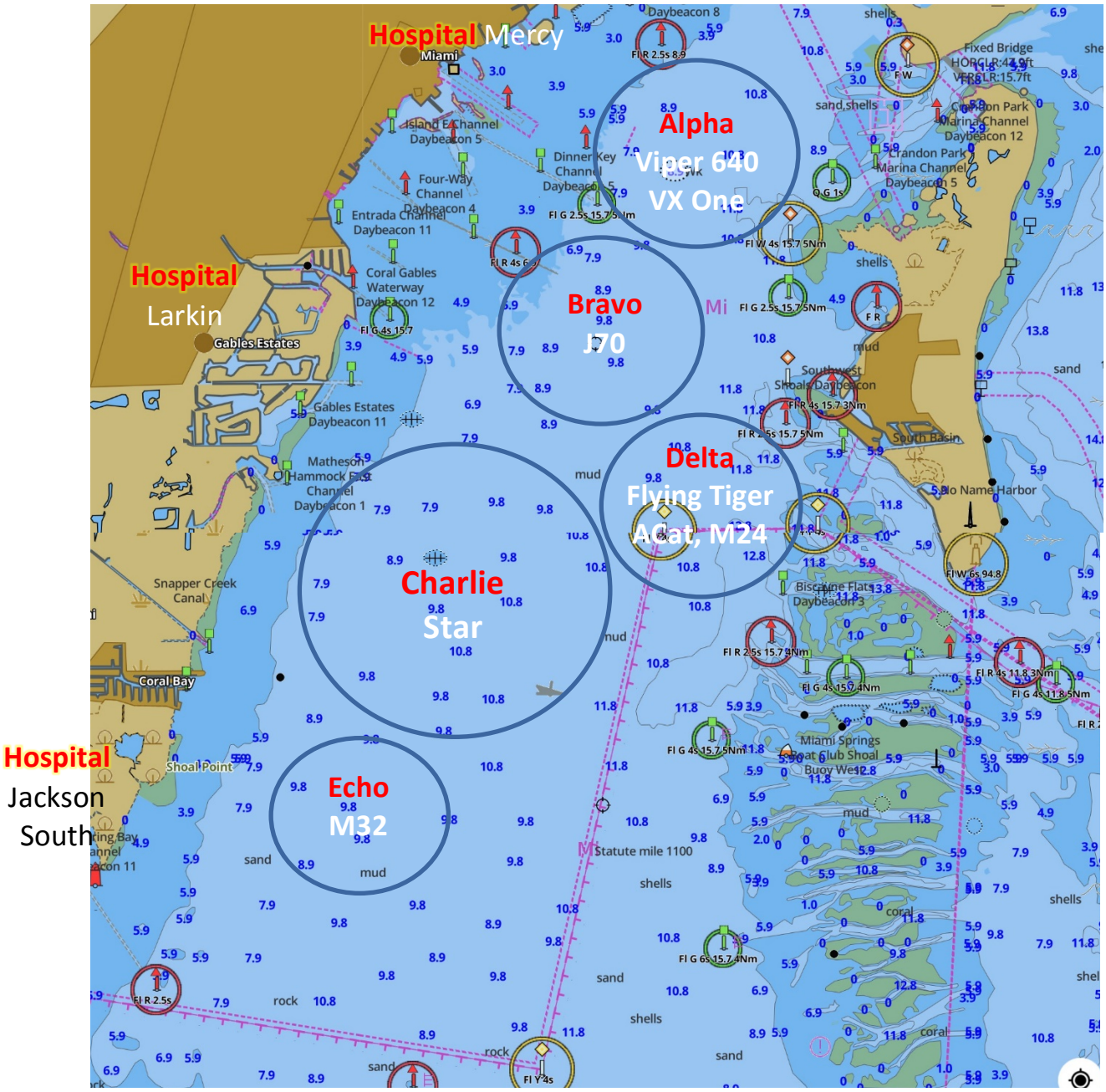
2017 Race Circles



Circle	Fleets	Diameter	Center	VHF
Alpha	Viper, VX One	1.5 nm	25 43.02 80 11.70	73
Bravo	J70	1.5 nm	25 41.90 80 12.52	72
Charlie	Star	2.0 nm	25 39.65 80 13.98	71
Delta	ACat, Melges 24, Flying Tigers	1.5 nm	25 40.55 80 11.63	69
Echo	M32	0.8 nm	25 38.03 80 15.06	74

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Addendum for Flying Tiger Division

1 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

1.2 Crew Requirements:

a) Maximum total of 6 crew, 1125lbs. The North U Clinic coach's weight, if on board, does not count against the weight limit.

1.3 Eligible teams may enter by completing registration with 1D Sailing and must complete all 1D Sailing waivers as well as all required forms and waivers for the Organizing Authority.

1.4 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: A maximum of 8 teams may apply to participate. National 1DSailing Academy reserves the right to accept or deny any or all applications.

2 BOATS

2.1 The event will be sailed in Flying Tiger 7.5s provided by National One Design Sailing Academy.

2.2 Boats will be provided for approved competitors, who shall not modify them or cause them to be modified in any way.

2.3 All equipment provided with the boat for sailing purposes shall be in the boat while afloat.

2.4 The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.

2.5 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

2.6 Boat allocations will be decided by a drawing of boat numbers at the Competitors Meeting.

3 FEEs

3.1 Required registration fee is determined by 1D Sailing and must be paid in full prior to the event. National One Design is responsible for paying regatta entry fees.

3.2 Teams must provide a $1,500.00 refundable damage deposit at registration. An outline of damage costs will be provided at the event.

4 SCHEDULE

4.1 Boats will be available from 9:00am March 7th, 2017 until the completion of the regatta.

5 BERTHING

Boats shall be kept in their assigned places while they are in the harbour.

6 LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. National One Design Sailing Academy may, at their sole discretion, cancel racing at any given time should they so decide. Neither National One Design Sailing Academy nor the organizing authority will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

7 FLYING TIGER BOAT HANDLING

No equipment provided with the boat (at time of inventory inspection) shall be removed, even if found useless.

1 GENERAL

1.1 While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

1.2 Boats will be assigned for the event by National One Design Sailing Academy.

1.3 If a boat is unable to complete or sail in one or more race(s) due to equipment failure that is through no fault of their own, redress may be granted by the PC without requiring a hearing. Every reasonable attempt will be made by the OA to repair the boat or complete a boat exchange if available.

2 SAIL COMBINATION

The sail combination to be used will be signalled from the RC boat before the warning signal, or during the race. In that case, a race committee boat will be stationed close to a mark, signalling the new sail combination with repetitive sounds.
These signals shall have the following meaning:

- No Flag: Sail combination is free
-Constant wind speeds over 18K-Flag W: Full main with jib and no spinnaker
-Constant wind speeds over 24K-Flag V: Reef main with jib and no spinnaker

3 INVENTORIES

The distribution of boats between crews will be made by draw at time of registration. After having signed the inventories, skippers can lodge written requests about the boat's condition until Wed. March 8th up to 17:00.

4 PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS - Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by a member of the OA otherwise, the following are prohibited:

4.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied. No equipment provided with the boat shall be removed, even if found useless.

4.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
4.3 The replacement of any equipment without the agreement of the RC.
4.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict, would result in further damage.
4.5 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
4.6 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while 'AP over H' is displayed ashore.
4.7 Hauling out a boat or removing rudder.
4.8 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
4.9 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
4.10 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging.
4.11 Using a winch to adjust the mainsheet, outhaul, cunningham or vang.
4.12 Adjusting lifeline tension.
4.13 Omitting or adding any headsail car or turning block before sheeting onto a winch.
4.14 Marking directly on the hull, deck or lines with any sort of marker, including pencil.
4.15 Use of any tape that leaves a residue.
4.16 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard.
4.17 Having the bowsprit extended, except when in the process of setting, flying or taking down the spinnaker. See SI C5.8 for permitted action on extending the bowsprit.

5 PERMITTED ITEMS and ACTIONS

1 A compass may be tied or taped to the hull or spars.
2 Wind indicators, including yarn or thread, may be tied or taped anywhere on the boat.
5.3 Hull, keel and rudder may be cleaned, but only with water.
5.4 Adhesive tape as provided by the OA may be used anywhere above the gunwale.
5.5 Basic hand tools may be brought aboard.
5.6 Line (elastic or otherwise of 4mm diameter or less) may be brought aboard.
5.7 Hiking. While sailing upwind, the crew may position either their torso or legs outside the lifelines but not both. While sailing downwind the crew may position only their legs outside the lifelines. The helmsperson may position his/her torso outside of the lifeline while driving. This changes RRS 49.2.
5.8 Approaching a windward mark without the spinnaker set, the bowsprit shall not be extended until the bow of the boat has passed the mark. This is defined by extending to windward, the line formed by the windward and leeward marks. An offset mark is not considered as a windward mark in this case. The bowsprit shall be fully retracted at the first reasonable opportunity after taking the spinnaker down.

C.6 MANDATORY ITEMS and ACTIONS

6.1 Motor will be stored below while racing as instructed by the OA:

i. Shaft must be secured / lashed in place within the cockpit locker
ii. Battery and tiller to be secured in the blue bin located below within the v-berth locker

6.2 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the organizing authority's representative immediately after securing the boat ashore. The penalty for breaking this instruction, unless the protest committee is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.

6.3 At the end of each sailing day:

i. Folding/rolling bagging and placement of the sails as directed

ii. Leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day

iii. PFD's are to be hung over the spinnaker pole

iv. Returning the VHF & engine battery for charging.

6.4 At the end of the day cleaning the boat, removing all trash, empty the bilge, and removing all tape and marks.

6.5 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.

C.7 PENALTY

The penalty for not complying with one of the above instructions C.4 or C.6 will be disqualification from all races sailed in which the instruction was broken.

PENALTIES FOR DAMAGE RESULTING FROM CONTACT BETWEEN BOATS

This permits the PC along with the OA to decide the additional penalty level when a boat breaks RRS 14. This document explains how damage will be assessed and gives general guidance on the appropriate penalty. When the protest committee has good reasons to do so, it may apply a different penalty. This changes RRS 64.1.

Damage will be divided into 3 levels.

Level	**Extent**	**Effect**
Level A - Minor Damage	Does not significantly affect the value, general appearance or normal operation of the boat.	Boat may race without repair although some minor surface work may be required after the event. Repairs should not normally require more than 1 hour of work.
Level B - Damage	Affects the value and/or general appearance of the boat	The damage does not affect the normal operation of the boat in that race but may need some (temporary) work before racing again. Requires more than 1 hour of work but should not normally require more than 3 hours of work.
Level C - Major Damage	The normal operation of the boat is compromised and its structural integrity may be impaired.	The boat will need some repair work before racing again. Requires more than 3 hours of work.