



Conditions for the US Offshore Championship

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SECTION A PREAMBLE

Section A clauses do not rank as "rules" as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing. As such, boats in a regatta may not protest each other for failure to comply with this preamble, nor base a request for redress on the alleged failure of an organizing authority, race committee, protest committee or technical committee to obey the clauses of this preamble.

A1 INTRODUCTION

A1.1 These conditions govern the US Offshore Championship (Championship).

A1.2 This championship is governed by these conditions and the US Sailing Championships Conditions (abbreviated below as "overall conditions").

SECTION B CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

Section B clauses DO rank as 'rules' as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule of this section means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of this section means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor request redress based on that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1.

B1 GOVERNANCE

B1.1 See the overall conditions for additional conditions that apply.

B2 ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION OF TEAMS

B2.1 Teams are selected by resume from each US Sailing area.

B2.2 The maximum number of World Sailing Categorization Group 3 competitors is limited to three (3). A Group 3 competitor may not act as helm except in case of emergency or unless the Group 3 competitor was the normal helm and owner/charterer of the boat used in all qualifying races.

B3 BOAT/EQUIPMENT

B3.1 This is a provided boat championship. When hosted by the US Naval Academy, the boats will be Navy 44s.

B4 COACHING AND SUPPORT BOATS

B4.1 Unless changed by the notice of race, the coaching level will be Grade 3 (no private coaching) in accordance with the US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy.

SECTION C CHAMPIONSHIP POLICIES

Section C clauses do not rank as "rules" as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing. As such, boats in a regatta may not protest each other for failure to comply with this preamble, nor base a request for redress on the alleged failure of an organizing authority, race committee, protest committee or technical committee to obey the clauses of this preamble.

C1 CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

C1.1 The Championship Committee shall be the US National Offshore Championship Committee; the Championship Chair shall be the chair of that Committee.

C2 EVENT FORMAT

C2.1 The event is fleet racing.

C2.2 Racing will consist of a combination of drop mark windward-leeward courses, a medium distance and a long-distance race if weather conditions permit. The medium and long-distance course scores will be multiplied by 1.25.

C3 SCORING

C3.1 The Low Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will be used. Modified in the sailing instructions such that there will be no discard.

C3.2 A minimum of three (3) completed races is necessary to constitute a championship.

C4 PRIZES

C4.1 The Lloyd Phoenix Trophy will be presented to the winner. The trophy will remain on display in the Sailing Hall of Fame at the United States Naval Academy.