

Caesar Creek Sailing Association 2004 Racing Instructions

The following are the rules under which the Caesar Creek Sailing Association will conduct its racing program. Any issue not covered by the rules will be referred to the appointed Racing Rules Committee for the 2004 season.

The basis for the CCSA Racing Rules is THE RACING RULES OF SAILING 2001-04. We will be following the Low Point Scoring System to determine race series placement unless modified below.

The Committees and Chairmen

The Vice-Commodore will chair the Racing Rules Committee. The Race Committee for a race will include all in attendance that are not directly affected by the decision of the race committee. The eligible senior officer will chair said committee. If no officer is in attendance or feels a conflict should exempt him/her from this responsibility, the committee will choose the chair.

Racing Series

The Racing Series will be composed of 2 races per 10 scheduled race dates. Days may be scheduled to makeup for cancelled dates. Since all in attendance are members of the race committee, assistance in placement and pickup of marks would be an excellent example of cooperation. Since all will be racing, it will be necessary for all to have a timepiece to record an accurate race time. If no boat is able to complete the race in less than 1½ hour, the race will be cancelled.

Trophy Awards

Trophies will be awarded for first, second, third, and fourth places in the A class. For those who have not won a trophy in any organized event in the previous three years, there will be trophies for first, second, and third places in the B class.

Points and Tiebreakers

First place will be awarded one point. Second place will be awarded two points. Third place will be awarded three points, etc. Any boat that doesn't finish will be awarded last place. Any boat that doesn't start will receive last place plus one. The first tiebreaker will be the most first place finishes in all races. The second tiebreaker will be the most second place finishes in all races. The third tiebreaker will be the most third place finishes, etc. A sailor's points will be the sum of the best finishes of 50% of the total races. The order of lowest said points will determine position.

Corrected Race Times

The listed wind speed adjustments of The Portsmouth handicap system will be used for determining corrected race times.

Starts, Finishes, and Penalties

Races should start as promptly as possible. The senior officer will be in charge of start times. Since 1) we will not have an official committee boat at the start line, 2) the boats will be at various locations, 3) catamarans have no provisions for flag placement) and 4) the wind might make it difficult to hear, audible signals at 5 minutes, 4 minutes, 3 minutes, 2 minutes, 1 minute, and the start should be made. A boat over the start line early must dip completely below the starting line before proceeding up the course. It has no rights against properly starting boats and must stay clear. The start/finish line may be crossed only at starts and finishes. A boat crossing a closed start/finish line must re-cross and pass properly on either end or be awarded last place. It is hoped that all other infractions will be settled between the affected parties. The boat committing and acknowledging the infraction will complete a 360-degree penalty turn. A protest may be filed with the race committee before all marks are taken ashore.

Race Courses

<u>Course No.</u>	<u>Course</u>	<u>Finish</u>
1	(S) A C A (F)	Downwind
2	(S) A C A C A (F)	Downwind
3	(S) A C A B C (F)	Upwind
4	(S) A B C A C (F)	Upwind
5	(S) A C (F)	Upwind
6	(S) A C A C (F)	Upwind
7	(S) A C A B C A C (F)	Upwind

S=Start line; F=Finish line; A,B,C = Rounding marks

A

B S/F-----S/F

C