2008 Rebel National Championship Regatta July 12 – 17, 2008

Lake Fenton Sailing Club Fenton, MI Sailing Instructions

- 1. Rules. The regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, and by-laws of the National Rebel Class Association except as they may be changed herein.
- **2. Notices to Competitors.** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the window next to the east basement door entrance of the Lake Fenton Sailing Club.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions.

- 3.1 Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day it will take effect, except:
- a: Changes to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day it will take effect, or as soon as possible after the National Race Committee determines that a change has become necessary or desirable.
- b: Changes in the Sailing Instructions on Monday July 14, 2008 will be posted as soon as possible after the conclusion of the skippers meeting.

4. Signals Made Ashore.

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be made from the LFSC committee boat dock
- 4.2 When the AP (Postponement) is displayed on shore, "The warning signal will not be made less than thirty minutes after removal".
- 4.3 Code flag "L" with a single horn means that a notice to competitors has been posted.

5. Schedule of Races.

5.1 5 Junior Races are scheduled as follows:

7/13 Jr Rad	e 1 Sunday, 1300
Jr Rad	e 2 Sunday, Back to back
Jr Rad	e 3 Sunday, If practicable
7/14 Jr Rad	e 4 Monday, 0930
Jr Rad	e 5 Monday, Back to back

9 Senior Races are scheduled as follows:

	Sr Race 1	Monday, 1300
	Sr Race 2	Monday, Back to back
7/15	Sr Race 3	Tuesday, 1000
	Sr Race 4	Tuesday, 1300
	Sr Race5	Tuesday, Back to back
7/16	Sr Race 6	Wednesday, 1000
	Sr Race 7	Wednesday, 1300
	Sr Race 8	Wednesday, Back to back
7/17	Sr Race 9	Thursday, 1000

- 5.2 One extra race per day may be sailed, provided that the series is no more than one race ahead of schedule.
- 5.3 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1:00 PM

6. Class Flag.

The class flag will be a red R on a white background.

7. Racing Areas.

The racing area will be on Lake Fenton in the vicinity of the LFSC.

8. The Courses.

- **8.1** The Junior Championship Courses will be set in front of the clubhouse as illustrated on an attached Sheet.
- 8.2 The course will be displayed on the side or the committee boat using the number system shown on the attached sheet.
- 8.3 If a windward-leeward course is used, it will start at the leeward mark and finish at the windward mark. Marks will be turned to port and no gates will be set.

9. Marks.

- 9.1 Marks will be 30" x 30" orange flags mounted on floating staff.
- 9.2 New Marks, as provided in instruction 11.1, will be 30" x 30" yellow flags mounted on floating staffs.

10. Prior to the Warning Signal

Prior to the warning signal of each race, each competitor shall sail past the committee boat on starboard tack and hail her number until acknowledged by the race committee. Competitors failing to check in will be notified, and subsequent failures may result in a score of DNS

11. The Start.

11.1 The Races will be started using rule 26 with the warning signal 5 minutes before the starting signal. There will also be a sound only signal at 6 minutes before the start.

The following is an example of the starting sequence:

Signal	Flag and Sound	•	Minutes before Starting Signal
Attention		1 Sound	6 Minutes
Warning	Class Flag	1 Sound	5 Minutes
Preparatory	P (or I) Flag	1 Sound	4 Minutes
One Minute	P Flag removed	1 Long Sound	l 1 Minute
Start	Class Flag removed	1 Sound	0

- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying the RC flag on the race committee boat and the port end starting mark, which will become a mark of the course.
- 11.3 Recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.

12. Change of the Position of the Next Mark.

When changing the course after the start, the race committee will lay a new mark and lift the original mark as soon as practicable. The change will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg, although the mark may not yet be in the new position. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated without further signaling to maintain the course configuration. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by the original mark.

13. The Finish.

The finish line will be between a staff displaying the RC flag on the race committee boat and the last mark of the course.

14. Penalty System.

- **14.1** Penalties as provided in rule 44.1.
- 14.2 No scoring penalty will be used.

15. Time limit.

- 15.1 The time limit will be 1 hour and 45 minutes.
- 15.2 If no boat has passed mark 1 within 30 minutes, the race will be abandoned.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes or the time limit shall be scored Did Not Finish. This changes rules 3.5 and A4.1

16. Protests and Requests for Redress.

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the LFSC. Protests shall be delivered there within 1 hour of the committee boat's docking at the end of the races for the day. The docking time will be posted.
- 16.2 The protest committee will hear protests as soon as possible in approximately the order they are received.
- 16.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

17. Scoring.

- 17.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply, except that boat scored DNF or RAF will score the number of boats starting that race plus one. This changes rule A4.2.
- 17.2 Two races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.3 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. All results are unofficial until certified by the National Race Committee. If all races have not been started by 1305 on Thursday July 17, the series will be considered terminated and the races official scored will determine the final standings.

18. Safety Regulations.

- 18.1 Junior National Championship Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices at all times on the water during the Junior National Championship series.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee or support boat as soon as possible.

19. Replacement of Crew or Equipment.

19.1 The number and personnel of the crew must remain the same throughout the regatta, except that the skipper may alternate crew, while maintaining the same number, by

filing the names and specific races they will sail with the National Race Committee three (3) hours prior to the start of the first race. In case of an emergency, a skipper may request permission for a crew change from the National Race Committee.

20. Prizes.

Prizes will be awarded to helmsmen and crew placing first through sixth in the regatta. Perpetual Trophies and Commodore's Trophies will be awarded as appropriate

21. 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.



