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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

AUGUST 6
Saturday
11:30 am - 6:00 pm
Registration - HOUSTON YACHT CLUB

AUGUST 7
Sunday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Registration
2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Registration
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Rules Seminar
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Practice Race / Starts
5:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Cook-Out by the Pool
7:00 pm
Skipper's Meeting / Opening Ceremonies

AUGUST 8
Monday
1:00 pm
Championship Race Day

AUGUST 9
Tuesday
9:00 am
Space Center / Houston
2:00 pm
Championship Race Day
7:30 pm
Pool Party - HYC (Live Band)

AUGUST 10
Wednesday
1:00 pm
Championship Race Day
7:00 pm
Texas Barbecue Party
Larry & Cheryl Thomas - 3202 Mirimar

AUGUST 11
Thursday
1:00 pm
Championship Race Day

AUGUST 12
Friday
1:00 pm
Championship Race Day / Team Races
7:00 pm
Awards Banquet
Dear Optimist Competitors,

The members of Houston Yacht Club are delighted to welcome you to Galveston Bay for the 1994 USODA National Championship. The Race Committee is ready to spring into action to provide you a fair, safe, and well-run racing venue.

The Shore-side committees are committed to making you feel right at home while you are here in Texas and will help you in any way they can.

Since you are veteran sailors, be sure to tell your parents that they can set up guest accounts at HYC through reciprocal yacht clubs or credit cards. Please be sure to tell them to wear sunscreen, sunglasses, light-colored natural fiber clothing and a hat. Also, it is very important for them to drink plenty of water.

We hope you leave Texas with memories of fine sailing, new friends and fun times. That will be your gift to us.

Best of luck,

Tony Smythe
Regatta Chairman

Houston Yacht Club  P.O. Box 1276  La Porte, Texas 77572-1276  713-471-1255
August, 1994

Dear Optimist National Regatta Participant:

On behalf of each member of the Houston Yacht Club, I welcome you to Galveston Bay for the 1994 Optimist National Championship Regatta.

The competition will be keen, and all competitors can be proud of their sailing, whether a winner or not.

HYC is very pleased to conduct this championship and we hope you have a fine time. To this end, please let us know what we can do to help you.

Good luck and fair sailing.

Sincerely,

Rudy Roof
Commodore
Houston Yacht Club
1994 HOUSTON YACHT CLUB
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REV. LEIGHTON YOUNGER
FLEET HISTORIAN
P/C TYNES SPARKS
HISTORY OF THE HOUSTON YACHT CLUB

In the summer of 1897, a group of yachtsmen who kept their boats in Buffalo Bayou in downtown Houston formed a yacht club. On February 2, 1898, at a general membership meeting in the office of Dr. W.B. Griffen, Dan E. Kennedy was elected the first commodore of the Houston Yacht Club. Forming a yacht club was the easy part, but sailing from Main Street to Galveston Bay on Buffalo Bayou (a small river) some 30 miles away must have been a real challenge.

In the early day, HYC sailors felt themselves on the verge of extinction. With the advent of the steam-powered launch and the diesel and gasoline engines, many yachtsmen believed the sailing boat was permanently relegated to history. Instead of fighting, they eventually joined the prospering power boat brigade, merging with the younger but larger Houston Launch Club.

Houston Launch Club was founded in 1906, establishing its first wharf at the foot of Travis Street (now downtown Houston). About 1910, HLC built a club house on Harrisburg (now a part of Houston’s east end) opposite Brady Island and today’s Port of Houston turning basin. Its members included Past Commodore C.G. Pillot, whose beautiful 103 foot Nathaneal Herrshott designed steam engine yacht "Augusta" was then considered to be the largest yacht west of the Mississippi.

In 1926, the two clubs sold their respective properties and pooled resources to build the present club house on the north shore of Galveston Bay. Records from the merger indicated that the "Houston Launch Club" was to be the name of new organization, but somehow the sailors prevailed and the Houston Yacht Club kept her maiden name. However, we acquired the HLC burgee with the motor propeller on it. In 1927, the group moved to its "magnificent and commodious" new home, as it was described at the time, a Spanish three story coral-colored club house that was soon dubbed "The Pink Palace".

During World War II, the Pink Palace was taken over by the U.S. Coast Guard, which converted it to a cadet training and boarding facility. HYC members volunteered the use of their motor boats to help patrol the Houston Ship Channel, a vital oil port during the war. During the was, HYC members continued sailing on the club owned "Fish Class" gaff rigged sloops.

During the 1960’s and 70’s, the highly successful youth program known as the "Ragnots" was developed. The Ragnots have produced more Sears Cup winners than any other yacht club. The program also produced a Sunfish National Champion and an Olympic Silver Medalist.

The 500 members today enjoy the harbor, with 560 wet storage slips, over 100 dry storage spaces, a fine remodeled club house and a prime location on Galveston Bay, one the nation’s largest bays. The warm water and prevailing southwest breeze of the Gulf of Mexico, have contributed to the success and enjoyment of boating at HYC for our first 90+ years.
LOCAL SAILING CONDITIONS

It is always a challenge to predict the wind on Galveston Bay. The NOAA forecast is always "south-southeast; 10-15 knots; bay water slightly choppy to choppy". Anything different means we are in the middle of a hurricane, and they haven't realized it yet.

SOUTHEASTERLY

This is the SEA BREEZE with a relatively constant direction of 135 (plus or minus 10 degrees) at 12-18 knots. This is a wonderful sailing breeze when it settles in and is fairly constant. Phases are under 15 degrees and last 5-10 minutes. Only a frontal passage or thunderstorm will disrupt this pattern, and then there may be moderate shifts towards the cells.

The bay is only 10-12 feet deep and tides are relatively unimportant. Current is usually not a problem, but should not be totally ignored. Shallow water can cause nasty chop to build up when the breeze strengthens.

Daytime air temperatures range from 80 to 95 degrees, with nighttime lows in the 70 to 80 degrees. The wind is southeasterly 80% of the time. Beach water temperature is 85 degrees.
1994 HYC OPTIMIST NATIONALS
STEERING COMMITTEE

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1994 HYC OPTIMIST NATIONALS
RACE COMMITTEE:

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MARK SET BOATS: LEE DEMAREST, DWIGHT HOLLISTER, STEVE NUNES, KARL SCHNEIDAU, DON SHARP, DAVE TURNER, ALLEN AND NED VAN MANNEN

SCOREKEEPER: MARY ANN ALLEN, ELEANOR CURTISS, JOE DEESE, MAUREEN GODDARD, PAT VECELLIO

HARBOR CONTROL: JANIE BRICKER, LIZ DEAR, BOBBY DURYEA, CAROL HOLLISTER, PAM MARSDEN, BARBARA RODGERS

SAFETY / RESCUE BOATS: DAVID BORDE, TOM GARRETT, JOHN NICHOLSON, RED PASTOREK, ROBERT REEVES, TYNES SPARKS, CHRIS WARD, LLOYD WELLS

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JUDGES SECRETARY: CINDI JORDAN
## 1994 Optimist Nationals

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules
The regatta will be governed by the International Yacht Racing Rules (IYRR); the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association; the rules of the International Optimist Dinghy Association; except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions; and by the sailing instructions.

2 Entries
Eligible yachts may be entered by complying with Section 4 of the Notice of Regatta and completing registration with the Houston Yacht Club (HYC) Registration Committee.

3 Notices to Competitors
Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the lobby of the HYC Clubhouse.

4 Changes in Sailing Instructions
Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 10:00 AM Central Daylight Time (CDT) on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00 PM CDT on the day before it will take effect.

5 Signals Made Ashore
5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the HYC flagpole located on the club lawn.
5.2 Code flag 'AP' with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means 'The race is postponed, do not leave the launching area. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after 'AP' is lowered.'
5.3 Code flag 'B' fully hoisted with one sound signal means 'Protest time has begun.' When lowered halfway, it means 'There are less than 30 minutes remaining before protest time ends.' When lowered it means 'Protest time has ended.'
5.4 Code flag "R" with one sound signal means IODs may leave the harbor. No IOD shall leave the harbor until this signal is made.

6 Schedule of Races
6.1 A maximum of twelve races are scheduled of which six must be completed to constitute a Championship. If fewer than eight races are completed by the end of racing on Thursday, August 11, Friday, August 12 will be used to complete the National Championship Fleet Racing Competition.
6.2 Up to three races may be started in the daily race window. No races will be started outside the daily race window.
6.3 Each signal in any starting sequence shall apply to all yachts.

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6.4 A signal shall apply to all yachts.
6.5 The following diagram shows the course, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. All marks are to be rounded to port, including two offset marks, one to be laid to windward of the port layline to the windward mark and approximately 50-75 feet distant, and a second to windward of the port layline from the leeward mark, at a similar distance. The finish line will be set approximately 0.1 NM to windward of Mark 1. Mark 1 does not have a required side on the last leg of the course.
6.6 The approximate compass bearing to Mark 1 will be displayed on the race committee (RC) signal boats.
6.7 Races shall not be shortened.
9 Marks
Marks 1, 2 and 3 (original marks) will be orange tetrahedrons. New marks, when used in accordance with instruction 14, Change of Course after the Start, will be yellow tetrahedrons. Offset marks will be small orange balls.

10 Fleet Identification
IODs will display fleet flags (provided at registration) while racing.

11 The Start
11.1 Races will be started in accordance with racing rule 4.3(a) System 2. All signals associated with the starting sequence and recalls will be displayed from the two RC signal boats.
11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag or shape on the race committee boat at the starboard end and the most weather part of Mark 3 at the port end.
11.3 All signals relating to the starting sequence, recalls, and Z flag will be made from two RC signal boats, one located at each end of the starting line. The starboard RC signal boat will be the RC boat at the starboard end of the line displaying the orange flag or shape. The port RC signal boat will be located beyond the port end of the line in close proximity to Mark 3.
11.4 IYRR 51.1(c) "Round the Ends" will be in effect for all starts. The racing rules will be modified in accordance with racing rule 3.1(a) as follows: Rule 4.1, Visual Signals "I", Round the Ends Starting Rule, will be altered to read: "Will not be displayed when rule 51.1(c) is in effect."
11.5 An IOD may not start later than 10 minutes after her starting signal.

12 Recalls
Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with IYRR 7.1. The RC will not hail premature starters.

13 Code Flag "Z"
Code flag "Z" displayed before or with the preparatory signal and lowered, accompanied by one long sound signal, one minute before the starting signal, Means: When any part of An IODs hull, crew or equipment is identified within the triangle formed by both ends of the starting line and the position of the first mark during the last minute before her starting signal, that is followed by a general recall, the IOD shall receive a 20% scoring penalty applied as provided in paragraph 2.1 of Appendix B1.

14 Change of Course After the Start
14.1 When changing the course after the start, the RC will lay a new mark (as described in 9.0) and will lift the original mark as soon as practicable. Any mark to be rounded after rounding the new mark may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.
14.2 A change of course will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a RC boat that will display code flag "C" and the approximate compass bearing to the new mark and sound a horn periodically. The change will be signaled before the leading IOD has begun the leg, although the new mark may not yet be in position.
14.3 When in a subsequent change of course a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark.

15 Alternative Penalties
The 720 degree turns penalty, Appendix B1 of the racing rules, will apply.

16 Withdrawing from a Race
An IOD which withdraws from a race or does not intend to start a scheduled race shall inform the RC as soon as possible. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from all races on that day.

17 The Finish
The finishing line will be between staffs displaying orange flags on two RC signal boats. The finish line will be located approximately 0.1 nautical mile to weather of Mark 1 or Mark 1's previous location if it has been lifted.

18 Time Limit
The time limit for the leading IOD to complete each race shall be two hours. IODs failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first IOD finishes will be scored the average of the last boat to finish plus one and the total number of entries in the championship.

19 Protests
19.1 Competitors intending to protest shall inform the RC after the finish of the race by notifying the RC boat stationed to windward of the finish line and displaying a code flag "B".
19.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at the HYC office and lodged there within Protest Time.
19.3 Protest notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the end of protest time to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a protest or named as witnesses.
19.4 The jury will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible.
19.5 Competitors who performed an alternative penalty during the race shall notify the RC, per 19.1, and file a written report lodged at the HYC office during Protest Time. Failure to do so may make the competitor liable for defense against any protest that may be legally filed.

20 Scoring
IYRR, Bonus Points System, Appendix B2, will apply, modified as follows:
20.1 Twelve races are scheduled of which six shall be completed to constitute a series.
20.2 If eight or more races are completed, the worst finish for each competitor will be excluded in accordance with rule 74.5(d).
20.3 An IOD scored DNS will receive points equal to the number of IODs entered in the Championship, plus 7.
20.4 An IOD scored DNF will receive points equal to the number of IODs entered in the Championship, plus 8.
20.5 An IOD scored DSQ/DND will receive points equal to the number of IODs entered in the Championship, plus 9.
20.6 Paragraph 1.3 (TIES) shall read as follows: When there is a tie on total points between two or more yachts, the will be broken as follows:
   1st tie breaker: In favor of the IOD with the most first places, and when the tie remains, the most second places, and so on, if necessary, only for those races that counted for total points.
   2nd tie breaker: In favor of the IOD that beat the other IOD the most times using ALL races, regardless of any throw-out that may have been originally used.
   Final tie breaker: When a tie still remains, it shall be broken in favor of the IOD or IODs which scored better in the last race in which all of the tied IODs were scored for total points.

21 Safety
21.1 US. Coast Guard Type II, Type III, or equivalent flotation device shall be worn in the manner intended, and secured, by each competitor while on the water. A serviceable whistle shall be securely attached to each flotation device.
21.2 Contestants shall obtain a tag from a "tag board" before going on the water. This tag will be attached to the competitor's life jacket when on the water and returned to the "tag board" when the competitor returns ashore.
21.3 In the event of a race being abandoned due to foul or threatening weather, the RC Signal Boats shall display a yellow flag in addition to displaying Code Flag "N" over Code Flag "H", and fire three guns. When this is observed, competitors should sail for the nearest shoreline to seek shelter, under the direction of RC Support Boats. Support boats should assist by towing competitor IODs to shore, if circumstances warrant.
21.4 If one or more IODs have finished a race before the onset of foul or threatening weather and in the interest of safety, the RC then determines to clear IODs from the water but not abandon the race, the RC Signal Boats will fire three guns, fly a yellow Flag and fly Code Flag "H". Any IOD or IODs not finished may be scored at the discretion of the Chief Judge.

22 Support Boats
22.1 Official RC Support Boats will fly pink flags with a colored Optimist Logo or Regatta Logo and operate under the direction of the Principal Race Officer.
22.2 All other boats are required to observe the following instructions:
   • Remain at least 150 feet clear of all competitors while racing is in progress, including the period following a General Recall.
   • Remain at least 150 feet outside the area formed by the rhumb lines connecting the marks.
   • When moving, maintain "NO WAKE" speeds.
   • Observe maneuvering instructions given by RC or Official RC Support Boats.
22.3 The penalty for boats failing to comply with these instructions may be the disqualification of all IODs associated with the infringing boat's personnel.
22.4 Other boats are requested to assist the RC in clearing the IODs from the water once the yellow flag is flown from the RC signal boats.

23 Radio Communication
A IOD shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive special radio communications or other communications not available to all IODs.
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 Rules
The Championship will be governed by the International Yacht Racing Rules (IYRR), as supplemented and altered by Appendix B5-Team Racing Rules, the prescriptions of US Sailing, the International Optimist Dinghy Association Class Rules, except as any of these are altered by the sailing instructions, and by the sailing instructions.

2 Entries
2.1 Eligible IODs may be entered by complying with Section 4 of the Notice of Regatta and completing registration with the Houston Yacht Club (HYC) Registration Committee.
2.2 Competitors must have entered and sailed in the 1994 US National Championship Regatta.
2.3 The deadline for entry is 8:00 p.m. Central Daylight Time (CDT), Wednesday, August 10, 1994.
2.4 The maximum number of teams shall be 24. If more than 24 entries are received, the teams to race will be selected by the Judges.

3 Team Structure
3.1 The competition will be between yacht clubs, sailing organizations, sailing associations or national teams from non-USA competitors comprising four or five skippers who are regular and active participants in such clubs or associations. Exception will be granted only by written permission of the RC.
3.2 No skipper may represent more than one entity or sail on more than one team. Up to three teams per club, organization, association, or non-USA country may be accepted.
3.3 In each race, four IODs from each named team will sail. Should a team comprise five skippers, the team coach shall select the four who will compete. The selection of skippers may vary from race to race.
3.4 Not later than 8:00 p.m. COT Thursday, August 11, the RC will post a list naming teams, skippers and sail numbers of competitors, course assignment, together with the indicated color assigned to each team. Each skipper shall affix a pennant of the indicated color to the top of his/her sprit.

4 Team Racing Format
4.1 For the first level of competition, the teams will be broken into four divisions of six teams each. The boats in each division will compete against each other in a full round robin.
4.2 The winner from each of the four divisions will compete in the finals which will be a double round robin.

5 Notices to Competitors
Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the breezeway of the HYC Clubhouse.

6 Changes in Sailing Instructions
Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 8:30 a.m. CDT on Friday, August 12.

7 Signals made Ashore
7.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the HYC flagpole on the club lawn.
7.2 Code Flag "AP" with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means "The race is postponed, do not leave the launching area. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after "AP" is lowered".
7.3 Code flag "R" with one sound signal means "IODs may leave the harbor". No IOD shall leave the harbor until this signal is made.

8 Skippers' and Coaches' Meeting
There will be a meeting for all skippers and coaches at 8:00 a.m. CDT on Friday, August 12 on the grounds of the HYC. The exact location will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

9 Schedule of Races
All races will be sailed August 12. The time of the first warning signal will be 9:30 a.m.

10 Racing Area
The racing area will be the same as used for the National Championship.

11 Course
11.1 The following diagram shows the course, the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed and the side on which each mark shall be left. The angles between the legs are approximately 45 degrees.
11.2 IODs waiting to compete shall remain in the waiting area until the start of the race preceding their start.
11.3 Only competing IODs and a single coach’s boat per team may enter the waiting area.
11.4 Competitors will race one on of two courses that are refereed to as the "orange course" or the "yellow course". The color of the course marks identifies each course.

![Course Diagram]

Mark Rounding Sequence: Start-1-2-Finish

12 Marks
Marks will be orange tetrahedrons on one course and yellow tetrahedrons on the other course.

13 The Start
13.1 No team shall permit more than four IODs from their team to be in the starting area at any time.
13.2 No IOD, except those due to compete in the next race, shall be in the starting area.
13.3 IODs shall not engage until two minutes before the start.
13.4 Races will be started in accordance with IYRR 4.3(a) System 2, except that signals shall be made at three minute intervals as follows:

-6 minutes: White flag up (Warning signal for first race)
-4 minutes: White flag down
-3 minutes: Blue flag up (Preparatory signal)
-1 minute: Blue flag down
0: Red flag up (Start first race)
+2 minutes: Red flag down
+3 minutes: Red flag up (Start second race)

13.5 At the preparatory signal, the RC will display on the RC boat anchored on the starting line the numbers of the teams starting. At the same preparatory signal, a signal boat in the waiting area will display the numbers of the teams "on deck".
13.6 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end of the line and a orange or yellow tetrahedron at the port end.
13.7 IYRR 4.1 Visual Signals-"AP", Answering Pennant-Postponement Signal, Section(a) is amended by deleting the word "warning" and substituting "preparatory".
13.8 A IOD may not start later than 2 minutes after her starting signal.

14 Recalls
14.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with IYRR 7.1. The RC will hail premature starters.
14.2 IYRR 4.1 Visual Signals-"X"-Individual Recall is modified as follows; the following sentence is added "When used, code flag "X" will be flown for no more than two minutes."

15 The Finish
The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat at the starboard end of the line and a round orange mark at the port end.

16 Time Limit
15.1 IODs failing to start correctly within two minutes of their start signal will be scored DNS.
15.2 IODs failing to finish within 15 minutes of the first IOD to finish in her race, shall be scored DNF.

17 Alternative Penalties
16.1 The 720 degree turns penalty, Appendix B1 of the Racing Rules, will apply.
16.2 Appendix B5, Section 2 "Acknowledgment of Infringements: Intention to Protest", will not apply.

18 Protests
18.1 Competitors intending to protest shall act in accordance with IYRR 68.1. Each protesting competitor shall inform the RC after the finish of the race, by notifying the RC boat stationed to windward of the finish line. 
18.2 Protesting competitors, and competitors who have been protested, including those who performed an alternative penalty, shall likewise report to the RC. 
18.3 Protest proceedings and hearings will be conducted immediately after each race, aboard the Jury boat stationed in the vicinity of the finish line and flying a red code flag. All evidence shall be given verbally. No decision of the judges shall be subject to appeal.
18.4 Coaches and/or parents shall not communicate with the competitors involved in a protest until after the protest hearing.

19 Scoring
19.1 Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix B5, Sections 3 and 4, except that paragraph 3.1(a) shall only apply to a IOD that has not performed an alternative penalty in accordance with paragraph 16.1, but acknowledges an infringement to the RC at the finish line.
19.2 The winning team in each division shall be the team with the best win/loss record from the minimum of three races up to the maximum of five races completed in each division.
19.3 Paragraph 4.3 of Appendix B5 is amended to read "Where there is a tie between two or more teams, it will be broken in favor of the team scoring the lowest total points in the series".

20 Propulsion
Competitors are reminded most strongly of the provisions of IYRR 54.

21 Safety
21.1 The instruction of sailing instruction 7.3 is reiterated. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action against the offender.
21.2 US Coast Guard Type II, Type III, or equivalent floatation devices shall be worn in the manner intended and secured by each competitor while on the water. A serviceable whistle shall be securely attached to each floatation device.
21.3 In the event of a race being abandoned due to foul or threatening weather, the RC Signal Boat will display a yellow flag in addition to displaying Code Flag "N" over Code Flag "H", and fire three guns. When this is observed, competitors should sail for the nearest shoreline to seek shelter, under the direction of RC support boats. Other support boats should assist by towing competitor IODs to shore, if circumstances warrant.

22 Support Boats
22.1 Official RC support boats will fly pink flags with the Optimist Logo or the Regatta Logo and operate under the direction the Principal Race Officer.
22.2 All other boats are required to observe the following instructions:
   • Remain at least 150 feet clear of all competitors while racing is in progress, including the period following a General Recall.
   • Remain at least 150 feet outside the rectangular area formed by the marks of the course.
   • Remain at least 150 feet clear of the finish line area and the judges boat.
   • When moving, maintain "NO WAKE" speeds.
   • Observe maneuvering instructions given by RC or Official RC support boats.
22.3 The penalty for failing to comply with these instructions may be the disqualification of all IODs associated with the infringing boats personnel.

23 Radio Communication
A IOD shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive special radio communications or other communications, not available to all IODs.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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