

**AMENDMENT TO THE 2017 WEST MICHIGAN YOUTH SAILING
ASSOCIATION SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - effective July 14, 2017**

Sailing Instruction 14.1 is amended as follows:

- *Appendix T* of the *RRS* shall no longer apply.
- The protest hearing process commonly referred to as “3 Minute Justice” shall now apply. This process is described further in the amendments to Sailing Instruction 14.3 that appear below.

All wording in Sailing Instruction 14.3 is now replaced entirely with the following text:

- A boat intending to protest must, at the first reasonable opportunity, inform the protested boat by hailing the word “Protest” and the sail number of the boat they intend to protest.
- Upon finishing and before the next warning signal or before the single boat pulls anchor, a boat intending to protest shall inform the signal boat of their intention to protest.
- Written protest forms must be filed with the Race Committee no later than 30 minutes after the RC signal boat or last competitor has docked, whichever comes later. Dock time should be posted on the official notice board.
- The skippers involved will be called in the order of the protests recorded by the signal boat upon reaching shore.
- The Protest Committee shall be comprised of: one coach of the protestor, one coach from the protested, and a third coach from a program not involved. A coach is defined as a “paid staff member who runs regular on water practice”.
 - Each skipper will have approx. 1 minute to describe the situation.
 - Judges will have approx. 1 minute to question both skippers.
 - Each skipper shall then have the ability to question each other briefly.
 - If not clear to the judges, they may allow each skipper to call 1 witness.
 - If the Judges cannot adjudicate a decision or if either skipper is not satisfied with the proceedings before a decision is rendered then a full hearing following *RRS* appendix M shall be held.
 - Once a decision is rendered the protest shall be considered closed. A hearing may be re-opened under *RRS* 66 at the discretion of the Protest Committee.