

2006 ENSIGN INVITATIONAL REGATTA

October 21 & 22, 2006 - by Oriental Dinghy Club

1. **RULES:** This series will be governed by The Rules of Racing 2005-2008 and ECA class rules. Ensign outboard engines may, however, be left in place although this is NOT encouraged.
2. **RACING SCHEDULE:** Warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be at 1100 hrs and Sunday at 1000 hrs. It is intended to have at least three races on Saturday and two on Sunday, conditions permitting. However, if conditions allow more racing and all boats are in agreement, additional races may be added. Subsequent races will be run with only a very short delay after the last Ensign finishes the race. No warning signal will be made after 1500 hrs on Saturday and 1400 hrs on Sunday. One race constitutes a Regatta.
3. **NOTICES, CHANGES, AND SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:** NOTICES will be posted at Charlie Carpenter's dock. Any CHANGES will be posted immediately following the "Skippers Meeting" on Saturday or by 0800 Sunday. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE will be displayed at Carpenter's Dock. If Pennant AP is displayed the first Warning Signal will be made no earlier than 60 minutes after the AP taken down.
4. **THE COURSES:** The courses will be windward / leeward with variable number of legs. The number of legs will be designated on the RC boat by the numeral 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6. An odd number will represent a finish to windward while an even number will finish at the original starting position. Should a windward finish be called, a chase boat will be the finish boat with a pin set to the port end. This finish line will be set beyond the windward turning mark.

All marks are to be left to port.
5. **MARKS:** The windward turning mark and the pin end of the starting line will be orange tetrahedrons. The windward finish line, if set, will have a yellow tetrahedron for the pin end of the line.
6. **START AND FINISH LINES:** The start line will be between an orange flag on the CB-1 boat and the nearby mark. The windward finish line will be located above the windward mark using an orange flag on the chase boat and the nearby mark. The "nearby mark" is not to be confused with the turning mark.
7. **TIME LIMIT:** The time limit for each race will be one and one half hours after its start. If one boat finishes within the time limit all others are allowed an additional 30 minutes to finish. Any boat not finishing within that period will be scored DNF (changes rule 35).
8. **FINISHING:** After finishing, all vessels must stay clear of the finish line.
9. **RADIO:** The Race Committee will monitor VHF channels 16 and 72. Any race communications will be broadcast on Channel 72.
10. **PROTESTS:** Protests must be filed within 1-1/2 hours of the last finisher for that day. The committee will receive the protest at Charlie Carpenter's house. The protest hearings will commence immediately after that deadline. All proper USSA protest procedures must be strictly followed.
11. **SCORING:** The low point scoring system (Appendix A2) will be used. If less than five races are completed, a boat's regatta score will be the total of all her race scores (no throw-outs). Otherwise one throw-out will be allowed.