

# Canadian RM2

Possible course content  
for use in RM2  
courses in Canada

# Basic Principles

- Fair sailing
  - each competitor has an equal chance to win
- Safety
- Satisfy our clients
  - give them what they want
  - decide who the 'owners' are

# RM2 –Authorities

- Rules and authorities
  - ISAF, CYA, Rules, prescriptions, NRs, Sis, rating rules, class rules, safety standards
  - Purpose: to explain underlying structure of sailing

# Regatta Organization

- Regatta chair duties
- Regatta committee ashore
  - Social, promotion, sponsorship, prizes, finance, press relations
- Race committee technical
  - PRO, registration, harbourmaster, measurement,

# PRO requirements

- Exemplary personal character
- technical knowledge
- leadership ability

# RM2 – RC Jobs

- Recorder
- Timer
- Mark set
- Flag officer
- Sound officer
- Line judge
- Safety officer
- Scorer

# Documents

- Notice of race
- Sailing instructions drafting
  - should match Appendix L
  - some knowledge of Appendix LE
- Amendments procedure
- Notices to competitors

# Course considerations

- Trapezoid or W/L or triangle
  - resources, expected wind strength
- Course diagram
  - leeward gate, top mark, separate start line
  - finish line issues
- Port vs starboard roundings
  - why starboard not okay

# In the morning

- Competitors meeting procedure
- Necessary gear
- Check weather, gear, sailing area

# Course length

- Target times for classes
- How to calculate course length
  - distance first, then time to sail it
  - develop rules of thumb
  - we rely on the time to sail to mark 1

# Starting line

- Establish wind pattern
  - steady, oscillating, progressive shift
- How long is the line?
- Starting line angles & favoured end
  - how much to cock the line

# Weather mark

- maintain the diamond within the lay lines
- see how boats sail on the downwind leg
  - want to see boats on both jibes

# Recalls

- Individual and General recalls
  - when
  - what flags & sounds
  - proper procedure
- I flag and Black flag
  - proper procedure

# Managing the course

- Shorten course
  - where, how, flag
- Change course
  - +/- or red/green or compass bearing
- Missing mark
  - what to do, good practice
- Abandonment
  - why, reminder: safety, fairness

# End of the race

- Finish line
  - length, positioning, sound
  - incidents at the line
- Scoring
  - not presently seen as RC responsibility?
- Protest procedure

# Contact information

- John Culter, consultant to the Race Management Committee
  - 604-742-8832 office
  - 604-737-2040 home
  - [jrculter@medi.net](mailto:jrculter@medi.net)
- Please see our web pages at [www.medi.net/rm.htm](http://www.medi.net/rm.htm)
- Thank you!