

# Saturday, June 3, 2017

Newport, Rhode Island

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, LLC. Social events are hosted by the New York Yacht Club.
- 1.2 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.3 The following US Sailing prescriptions will not apply: 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4.
- 1.4 The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rule. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 1.5 **Check-in:** Each yacht shall register at the check-in desk at New York Yacht Club Sailing Center prior to racing at the times so designated in the Notice of Race.

## 2 CLASSES AND IDENTIFICATION

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority will divide yachts into classes and assign a numeral designation for each class. Each yacht shall display the numeral pennant corresponding to her class designation from her backstay, approximately six feet above the deck, or if no backstay, from her starboard shroud.
- 2.2 The scratch sheets will be distributed at check-in, posted on the Official Notice Board and posted on the regatta website.

## 3 NOTICES, COMPETITOR INFORMATION AND SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1 Notices, including race results, amendments and protest hearing schedules, will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the courtyard of the NYYC Sailing Center at Harbour Court.
- 3.2 Flag signals will be flown from the western side of the yardarm of the flagpole at Harbour Court.
- 3.3 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Flag "Lima" will be flown to signify such posting.
- 3.4 When Pennant "AP" is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than one hour" in Race Signal "AP".
- 3.5 Signals designating the rendezvous locations will be displayed at 1000 from the flagpole at Harbour Court. The race committee will endeavor to confirm the rendezvous location as described in SI 5, as well as the intended order of start, at that time over VHF Channel 71. The failure to make this announcement or for a yacht to hear this announcement will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 3.6 The race committee will communicate on VHF channel 71.

### 4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The scheduled time for the course signals is 1055 and the warning signal is 1100 for the first class.
- 4.2 For a subsequent race, if any, the course signals will be made five minutes prior to the warning signal.
- 4.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1500.

#### 5 **RENDEZVOUS LOCATION**

Rendezvous is planned to be in the vicinity just north of Gould Island approximately 0.5 nm east of mark 16 on the South Bay Race Chart. The race committee will confirm or revise the rendezvous location in accordance with SI 3.5.

### 6 CHECK-IN AND RETIREMENT

- 6.1 Prior to the warning signal for the first race, each yacht shall check in with the race committee signal boat by passing astern on starboard tack and announcing their sail number. The race committee will acknowledge.
- 6.2 Yachts retiring are requested to inform the race committee on the water on VHF channel 71 or by calling the NYYC Sailing Office at (401) 845-9633.

#### 7 **THE COURSES**

- 7.1 Special courses will be designated using buoys as described on the 2015-2017 South Bay Race Chart provided at registration. (Note: Designated courses from the back of the South Bay Race Chart will not be used.)
- 7.2 The race committee will list the marks on a white board, using the designations on the South Bay Race Chart, in the order to be rounded, as well as the required side to pass each mark ("Port" or "Stbd").
- 7.3 For any course passing under the **Newport Bridge**, yachts shall pass through the **center span** <u>only</u>.
- 7.4 Special Mark "E"
  - The race committee may add an inflatable first mark to any course by displaying flag "E".
  - If Mark "E" is used, it will be listed as the first mark on the white board in accordance with SI 7.2.
  - Special Mark "E" will be positioned approximately 0.5 NM to windward of the RC signal boat.

#### 8 MARKS

- 8.1 The starting mark will be an inflatable GREEN buoy.
- 8.2 Mark "E", if used, will be an inflatable YELLOW buoy.
- 8.3 The finishing mark will be an inflatable PINK buoy.
- 8.4 Special NYYC Temporary Inflatable Race Marks 16 and 17 as designated on the South Bay Race Chart, if used, will be inflatable orange tetrahedron buoys. Mark 16 is located in the vicinity of 41° 33.000' N; 071° 21.333' W north of Gould Island near Conanicut Island. Mark 17 is located in the vicinity of 41° 33.000' N; 071° 19.000' W north of Gould Island toward Aquidneck Island.
- 8.5 The distance will be calculated by the race committee and shall not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

#### 9 THE START

- 9.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark (inflatable GREEN tetrahedron buoy).
- 9.2 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 9.3 Sample starting sequence:
  - 1055 Course Signals
  - 1100 Warning for first class
  - 1101 Preparatory for first class
  - 1105 Start for first class, Warning for second class
  - 1106 Preparatory for second class
  - 1110 Start for second class, Warning for third class
  - 1111 Preparatory for third class
  - 1115 Start for third class, etc.

### 10 INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

The race committee will endeavor to hail each premature starter over VHF channel 71. The failure of a hail, the failure of a boat hearing the hail, or the order and timeliness of the hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

### 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the finishing mark (inflatable PINK tetrahedron buoy). The finishing mark will be on the opposite side of the race committee signal boat from the starting mark.
- 11.2 If a subsequent race is to be sailed, the finish line race committee boat will fly Pennant "Second Substitute" with the Blue On-Station Signal at the finish.

#### 12 **PENALTY SYSTEM**

RRS Appendix V1 shall apply.

#### 13 TIME LIMIT

The time limit to sail the course and finish is four hours.

## 14 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 In view of the purpose of this regatta, protests are discouraged.
- 14.2 The intention to protest and the yacht being protested shall be communicated to the race committee at the finish of a race until acknowledged by the race committee. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 14.3 Written protests or requests for redress shall be submitted to the NYYC Sailing Center as soon as possible, but not later than one hour after the race committee signal boat has docked. The time limit for filing a protest will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 14.4 Protests will be heard at the NYYC Sailing Center as soon as possible after the protest time limit. The protest committee will attempt to hear protests in the order of receipt.
- 14.5 A breach of SI 2.1, 6, 9.4 or 17.2 will not be grounds for a protest by a yacht. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 15 SCORING

- 15.1 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.
- 15.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 The distance will be as calculated by the race committee.

#### 16 **PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the first place yacht in each class. Prizes may be awarded to the second and third place yachts in a class depending on the number of entries.

## 17 WAIVER & RELEASE OF LIABILITY

- 17.1 Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, New York Yacht Club, The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, affiliated companies, and other sponsors 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.
- 17.2 Each competitor participating in the regatta shall submit an online Waiver & Release of Liability form prior to racing. The <u>Waiver & Release of Liability form</u> can be found online on the NYYC regatta web page. A yacht whose skipper or crew has not completed and submitted the waiver will not be scored.

## 18 **NOTES**

- 18.1 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay and its approaches are considered restricted channels for commercial traffic and vessels in the navigation channel restricted in their ability to maneuver. Competitors must comply with the government right-of-way rules when in proximity to commercial or privileged marine traffic.
- 18.2 Competitors should be aware of heightened security around the Navy base in Newport just to the north of the Newport Jamestown Bridge. The area to the east of a line defined by a series of white buoys marking the Newport Security Zone along the coast of the Naval Facilities from Coasters Harbor to the breakwater at the north end of Coddington Cove shall rank as an obstruction. Yachts shall not enter this area. A Navy patrol boat monitors the area and vessels navigating in the Exclusionary Zone may face action by Coast Guard and Naval authorities.

## 18.3 Newport Tides

Day	Date	Low Tide	Height (ft)	High Tide	Height (ft)
Saturday	June 3	1020	.5	1624	3.7

## 18.4 For further information please contact:

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