

## **APPENDIX 5 – SHIELDS CLASS**

### **1 COURSES**

- 1.1 The course for the Shields Class will be Windward/Leeward with four legs (Start – W – L – W – Finish). All marks shall be rounded to port. No course flag will be displayed on the Race Committee boat.
- 1.2 There will not be an offset mark.
- 1.3 The leeward mark will be the same mark as the starting/finishing mark.

### **2 CLASSES AND IDENTIFICATION**

- 2.1 The Shields Class will be designated as the WHITE Fleet. It is the intention to race in the area between Rose Island and Goat Island. This will be announced at 0900 during the morning announcements.
- 2.2 The VHF channel for the WHITE Fleet is VHF 77.
- 2.3 Each yacht shall display the sponsor flag provided from her backstay. No class numeral pennant is required to be flown for the Shields Class.

### **3 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Up to four races will be run.

### **4 MARKS**

Marks will be cylindrical ORANGE inflatable buoys.

### **5 THE START**

- 5.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.
- 5.2 Multiple ‘attention’ signals will be made approximately one minute before the warning signal.
- 5.3 The ‘class flag’ flown at the warning signal will be numeral pennant ‘1’.

### **6 COURSE CHANGE**

To maintain a course configuration or change course length marks may be moved as necessary, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. The Race Committee will attempt to announce any course change on their respective fleet VHF channel 77. This changes RRS 33. Failure to make such an announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

### **7 TIME LIMIT**

The time limit for the first yacht to sail the course and finish is 90 minutes.

### **8 PENALTY SYSTEM**

After starting, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty by taking one turn including one tack and one gybe that, in all other respects, complies with RRS 44.2. ***However, if a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 within the two-length zone of any rounding or passing marks, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty in compliance with RRS 44.2.*** This modifies Rule 44.2