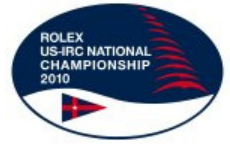




NYYC RACE WEEK AT NEWPORT

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ROLEX US-IRC NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2010

New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court, Newport, Rhode Island
July 21-24

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is New York Yacht Club (NYYC).
- 1.2 Racing is scheduled on Wednesday through Saturday, July 21-24.
- 1.3 A distance race is scheduled and may be run on either Thursday, July 22 or Friday, July 23, at the discretion of the OA. The intention to run the distance race will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 2000 on the day before the race will be run.

2 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the US SAILING prescriptions, except the prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 shall not apply.
- 2.2 **Check-in:** Each yacht shall register at the check-in desk at the NYYC Sailing Center at Harbour Court between 1500-1800 on Tuesday, July 20 or 0800-0900 on Wednesday, July 21.
- 2.3 **Crew Waiver:** No crew shall be aboard a yacht while racing unless he/she has executed a Crew Waiver Form. The Crew Waiver Forms are available on the Race Week website at <http://nyyc.org/RaceWeek/> and will be available at check-in. Registration will not be complete without receipt of a complete Crew Waiver Form.
- 2.4 **Offshore Special Regulations:** Minimally all yachts shall comply with the 2010-2011 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 5 (posted at <http://nyyc.org/RaceWeek/>) and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable. Yachts that are not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt from Regulation 3.14. In the event of a conflict between these regulations and the IRC Rule 2010, the IRC rules shall apply. The US SAILING prescriptions to the Offshore Special Regulations shall apply except the prescription to Regulation 5.01.1 requiring personnel to wear personal flotation while starting and finishing.
- 2.5 The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of the ISAF Offshore Special Regulations or other non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.
- 2.6 The IRC Rule 2010 parts A, B and C shall apply and can be found at <http://nyyc.org/RaceWeek/> with the following changes:
 - a) IRC Rules 21.1.5 (d) and (e) are changed to require that the sails on board shall remain the same and be on board for all Drop Mark Course races at the Rolex US-IRC National Championship. This requirement does not apply to the Distance Race.
 - b) Replacement sails may be permitted during the series in exceptional circumstances with the written permission of the Race Committee. A replacement sail will only be permitted if it is of similar cloth weight, area and design.
 - c) IRC Rule 22.4, Crew Number/Weight, is changed to: A yacht's maximum total crew number shall not exceed the Crew Number printed on her certificate.

3 ENTRIES AND CREW

- 3.1 Eligible yachts shall enter by completing on-line registration with the Organizing Authority. Eligibility requirements for yachts and method of entry are detailed in the Notice of Race.
- 3.2 The minimum crew aboard while racing shall be four.
- 3.3 Any replacement crew must submit their crew waiver found at <http://nyyc.org/RaceWeek/> to the NYYC Sailing Office in person or by fax at (401) 846-3303 prior to racing

4 NOTICES, COMPETITOR INFORMATION AND SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Notices, including race results, sailing instructions and amendments, will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the courtyard of the NYYC Sailing Center at Harbour Court. This information may also be posted on the Race Week website.
- 4.2 Jury Notices, including protest time limits and protest hearing schedules will be posted on the Jury Notice Board located in the courtyard of the NYYC Sailing Center at Harbour Court.
- 4.3 Flag signals will be flown from the western side of the yardarm of the flagpole at Harbour Court.
- 4.4 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.
- 4.5 When Pennant “AP” is displayed ashore, “one minute” is replaced with “not less than one hour” in Race Signal “AP”.
- 4.6 Signals designating the rendezvous location will be displayed at 0900 each day on the western side of the yardarm at Harbour Court. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce the location as described in Appendix 1 – Rendezvous Locations at that time over VHF Channel 72. The failure to make this announcement or for a yacht to hear this announcement will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 4.7 After the rendezvous location and any other regatta announcements have been made, Race Committee Signal Boat will monitor and communicate on VHF Channel 72.

5 CLASSES AND IDENTIFICATION

- 5.1 The Organizing Authority will divide yachts into classes and assign each class a numeral designation as detailed on the scratch sheet.
- 5.2 The scratch sheets will be distributed at check-in, posted on the Official Notice Board and posted on the Race Week website.
- 5.3 Each yacht shall display the numeral pennant corresponding to her class designation from her backstay, approximately six feet above the deck, from the warning signal of the first class in her fleet until she is no longer racing. Competitors are responsible for supplying their own class flags.
- 5.4 Each yacht shall display the Rolex sponsor flag provided by the OA at registration from her backstay below her class numeral pennant.
- 5.5 Each yacht shall affix the Rolex bow stickers supplied by the Organizing Authority to each side of her bow. Directions for positioning and applying the stickers will be distributed at registration.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 The scheduled time for the course signals is 1055 and the warning signal is 1100 for the first race each day. For subsequent races, the course signals will be made five minutes prior to the warning signal.
- 6.2 No warning signal shall be made after 1500 on Saturday, July 24.

7 EQUIPMENT, CHECK-IN AND RETIREMENT

- 7.1 Each yacht shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with the race committee on VHF channel 72.
- 7.2 Prior to the warning signal for the first race each day, all yachts 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 by responding with the number heard.
- 7.3 Yachts retiring are requested to inform the Race Committee on VHF channel 72 or by calling (401) 845-9633.

8 COURSES AND MARKS

- 8.1 Drop Mark Courses and marks are described in **Appendix 2 – Drop Mark Courses**.
- 8.2 The Distance Race and marks are described in **Appendix 3 – Distance Race**.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.
- 9.2 A yacht starting later than 20 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.
- 9.3 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. The Race Committee may deploy astern a “Keep Off” buoy(s) that shall be considered an integral part of the Race Committee Signal Boat.
- 9.4 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

10 INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

The Race Committee will endeavor to hail each premature starter over VHF channel 72. Failure to make such an announcement or for a yacht to hear this announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the finishing mark as described in either **Appendix 2 – Drop Mark Courses** or **Appendix 3 – Distance Race**.
- 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. If a Class Flag is displayed below Pennant “Second Substitute”, the subsequent race is for that class(es) only.
- 11.3 In fog at the finish, the Race Committee Boat may ring a bell rapidly, for approximately 5 seconds, at intervals. The same Race Committee Boat may or may not start and finish each race.

12 GOVERNMENT BUOYS

Except when used as marks in the Distance Race, government buoys have no required side. Caution should be exercised for safe navigation.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 Except as noted in SI 13.4 for the Distance Race, a yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty at the time of the incident by taking a Scoring Penalty in accordance with rule 44.3 as changed in SI 13.2 and 13.3. This changes rule 44.1.
- 13.2 A yacht that accepts a Scoring Penalty shall receive additional points equal to 20% of the entrants in that race (rounding 0.5 upward), but shall not have less than two places added to her actual finish position. This changes rule 44.3(c).
- 13.3 A yacht that has fulfilled some, but not all, of the requirements of rule 44.3 shall be scored with additional points equal to 50% of the entrants in that race (rounding 0.5 upward). This changes rules 44.3 and 64.1(a). A yacht intending to take a scoring penalty is reminded that rule 44.3(b) requires her to call the Race Committee’s attention to her yellow flag and to inform the Race Committee of the other boat involved in the incident. If this is impracticable, she shall inform the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity and within the time limit for protests.
- 13.4 DISTANCE RACE - For the Distance Race only, a yacht that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 may take a time penalty of 120 seconds which shall be added to her “corrected time”. A yacht that takes a time penalty shall act in accordance with rule 44.3, Scoring Penalty, and she shall report the circumstances in writing to the Jury within the protest time limit. This changes rule 44.3.

14 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 For a Drop Mark Course, the time limit for the first yacht in each class to sail the course and finish is three hours. Yachts failing to finish within 60 minutes of the first yacht in each class to sail the course and finish will be scored TLE and scored points as described in SI 16.3. This changes rules 35 and A4.

14.2 For the Distance Race, the time limit for the first yacht in each class to sail the course and finish is 1700. Yachts failing to finish within 60 minutes of the first yacht in each class to sail the course and finish or 1700, whichever is later, will be scored TLE and scored points as described in SI 16.3. This changes rules 35 and A4.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 It is requested that yachts intending to protest report their intention and the yacht being protested to the Race Committee on VHF channel 72 at the finish of a race.
- 15.2 Written protests or requests for redress shall be submitted to the Jury secretary in 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 Jury Notice Board. Note that yachts berthing some distance from New York Yacht Club may need to have a plan to meet this deadline, such as dropping off a crew member at the NYYC dock.
- 15.3 Protest notices will be posted as soon as possible on the Jury Notice Board.
- 15.4 Protest hearings will take place at the NYYC Sailing Center as soon as practicable after the notices are posted. The Protest Committee will attempt to hear protests in the order of receipt. Representatives of yachts who are parties to a hearing shall remain on call in the vicinity of the protest rooms.
- 15.5 When a yacht has been involved in an incident that may be subject to protest, it is her responsibility to check the protest notices at the end of the protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest. Failure of any yacht to appear when called for a hearing will be considered by the Protest Committee as grounds for proceeding under rule 63.3(b).
- 15.6 Rule 63.5 is changed by adding: "A protest involving contact may be heard by the Protest Committee even though the requirements of rule 61.1(a) and 61.3 have not been fulfilled."
- 15.7 Breaches of sailing instructions 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 7.1, 9.4, and 18.2 shall not be grounds for a protest by a yacht. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 15.8 A violation of SI 18.2 will be considered "a gross breach of a *rule*" under rule 69.1(a).

16 SCORING

- 16.1 A yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores without a discard. This changes rule A2.
- 16.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.3 Yachts that have started and failed to finish within the time limit for any reason, shall, without a hearing, be scored by the Race Committee with points equal to the number of yachts in her class that have sailed the course and finished within the time limit, plus two. This changes rule A4.1, A4.2, and A5.
- 16.4 The overall winner of the Rolex US-IRC National Championship will be determined by calculating the Average Corrected Performance (secs/nm) for each yacht winning her class in accordance with SI 16.1. The Corrected Performance for each race will be calculated by dividing the Corrected Time by Distance to determine secs/nm. Yachts will be ranked according to their Average Corrected Performance (secs/nm) in all races with the yacht with the lowest seconds/nm will be declared the winner.

17 PRIZES

- 17.1 Prizes for the winner of each race in each class will be presented at the Awards Party at Harbour Court after each day of racing.
- 17.2 Overall prizes will be awarded to the top three yachts in each class at the Rolex Gala and Awards Dinner Party on Saturday, July 24.
- 17.3 A Rolex timepiece will be awarded to the yacht winning the Rolex US-IRC National Championship.
- 17.4 The Carronade Trophy will be awarded to the yacht, which in the opinion of the Race Committee and Flag Officers, has the best overall performance in the two different parts of Race Week. The Carronade Trophy will be presented at the NYYC Annual Awards Dinner in New York City on Thursday, November 11, 2010.

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 In the event there is racing in Narragansett Bay, 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	High Tide	Low Tide	High Tide
Wednesday	July 21	0434	1010	1714
Thursday	July 22	0537	1101	1812
Friday	July 23	0632	1241	1907
Saturday	July 24	0721	1315	1947

- 18.4 All times herein are Eastern Daylight times. Distances used herein are expressed in nautical miles (when not otherwise defined) and are approximate.

- 18.5 For further information please contact: New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court
5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840
Tel: 401/845-9633, Fax: 401/846-3303
Website: www.nyyc.org
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APPENDIX 1 – RENDEZVOUS LOCATIONS

Rhode Island Sound:

- Area “A” - in the vicinity of 160° for 1.2 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point
- Area “B” - in the vicinity of 120° for 2.5 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point
- Area “C” - in the vicinity of 225° for 2.0 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point
- Area “D” - in the vicinity of 200° for 3.5 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point
- Area “E” - in the vicinity of 165° for 2.5 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point
- Area “F” - in the vicinity of 150° for 4.5 NM from R “2” QR Whistle marking Brenton Point

Newport Harbor and near Newport Bridge:

- Area “J” - in the vicinity of Mackerel Cove (Conanicut Island opposite Castle Hill)
- Area “K” - between Goat Island and Rose Island
- Area “M” - in the vicinity of R “12” west of Rose Island
- Area “N” - off Coasters Harbor Island (just north of east end of Newport Bridge)
- Area “O” - in the vicinity of Potter Cove (just north of west end of Newport Bridge)

North of Newport Bridge:

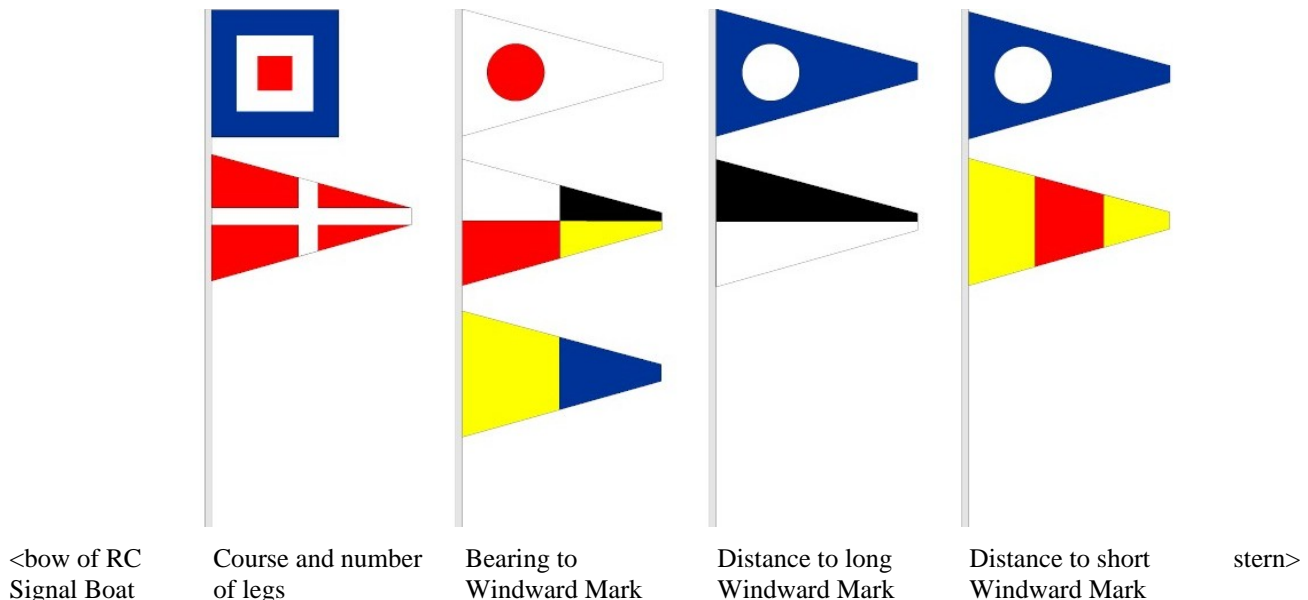
- Area “R” - in the vicinity of 200° for 0.5 NM from Halfway Rock
- Area “S” - in the vicinity of RG Nun south of Prudence Island
- Area “T” - in the vicinity of G “7” QG off Quonset Point
- Area “U” - in the vicinity of C “1” northeast of Hope Island
- Area “V” - in the vicinity of C “5” 290° for 1.0 NM from Pine Hill Point on Prudence Island
- Area “W” - in the vicinity of G “1” 0.9 NM southwest of Hog Island

APPENDIX 2 – DROP MARK COURSES

1 COURSES

- 1.1 **Course:** The course will be a windward/leeward course indicated by flag “W”. An offset mark will be set at all windward marks.
- 1.2 **Number of Legs:** A numeral pennant indicating the number of **LEGS** to be raced will be flown beneath flag “W”. The distance between the windward mark and the offset mark shall not count as a leg for the purposes of indicating the number of legs.
- 1.3 **Long or Short Windward Mark:** Two windward marks, a long mark (1L) and a short mark (1S), will be set. Flag “L” or “S” will be flown beneath the class numeral pennant and displayed as the warning signal to indicate whether that class will use mark 1L or 1S.
- 1.4 The course will be signaled using flags displayed on poles on the Race Committee signal boat. The course designation (Course and Number of Legs) will be flown forward, followed by the three numeral pennants designating the magnetic bearing to the first mark, followed by the two numeral pennants designating distance (nautical miles and tenths) to mark 1L, followed by the two numeral pennants designating distance (nautical miles and tenths) to mark 1S. Courses will also be announced on VHF Channel 72.

Example:



- 1.5 The leeward mark will be set approximately 0.10 NM to windward of the starting line. It is the intention of the Race Committee to use a gate at the end of leeward legs.
- 1.6 Marks, including the windward offset mark, shall be rounded in order and left to port, except that a gate, when used, shall be rounded as described rule 28.1(c). If the gate is replaced by a single mark, it shall be left to port.
- 1.7 Except when there is a change of course or a shortened course:
 - (a) the finish for a course with an even number of legs will be approximately 0.10 NM to leeward of the leeward mark/gate. The finishing mark will be set on the side of the Race Committee signal boat opposite the starting mark; and
 - (b) the finish for a course with an odd number of legs will be approximately 0.10 NM to windward of the last windward mark rounded.

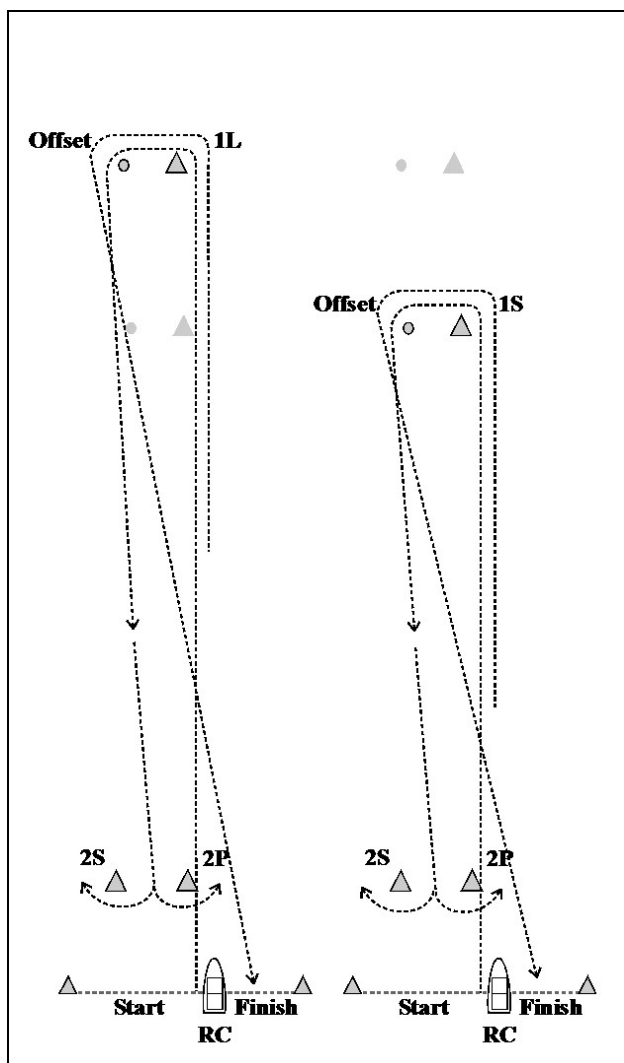
2 MARKS

- 2.1 Rounding marks will be 8' inflatable YELLOW tetrahedron buoys.
- 2.2 Change rounding marks will be 8' inflatable ORANGE tetrahedron buoys. A subsequent change will be back to the original mark.
- 2.3 The starting mark will be a 5' inflatable ORANGE tetrahedron buoy.
- 2.4 The finishing mark will be a 5' inflatable YELLOW tetrahedron buoy.
- 2.5 Offset marks will be 3' inflatable ORANGE cylindrical buoys.

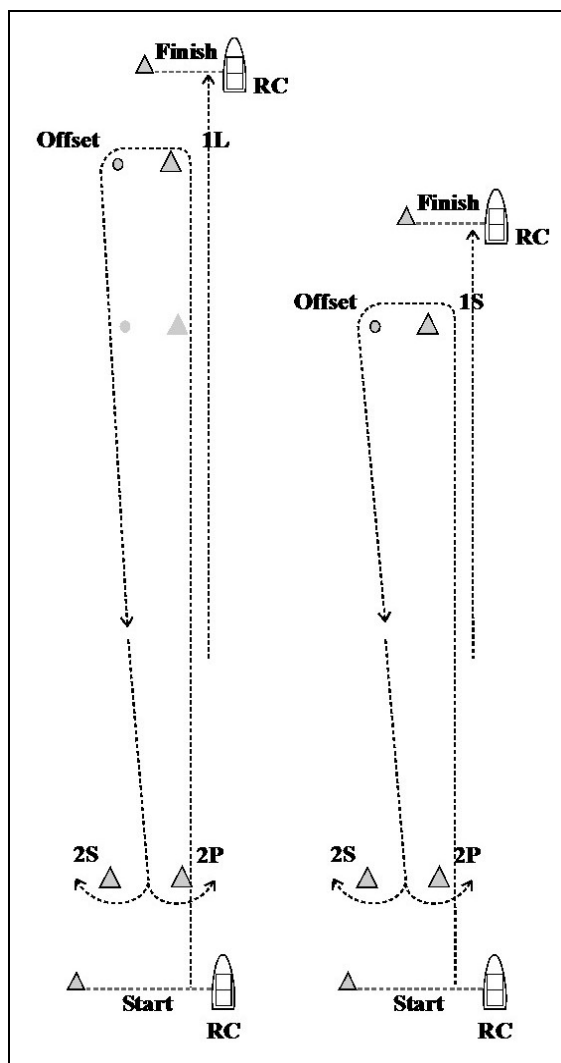
3 COURSE CHANGE

In addition to the requirements in rule 33, the Race Committee will attempt to announce any course change on VHF channel 72. Failure to make such an announcement or for a yacht to hear this announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

4 COURSE DIAGRAMS



'W' with even number of legs



'W' with odd number of legs

APPENDIX 3 – DISTANCE RACE

1 COURSES

- 1.1 Special courses may be designated using marks as described in paragraph 2 below.
- 1.2 The Race Committee will list the marks, using the designations below, on a white board in the order to be rounded, as well as the required side to leave each mark.
- 1.3 If Special Mark “V” is used, the bearing and distance to Mark “V” will be signaled using flags displayed on poles on the Race Committee signal boat. The three numeral pennants designating the magnetic bearing to the Mark “V” will be flown forward, followed by the two numeral pennants designating distance (nautical miles and tenths) to Mark “V”.
- 1.4 The finishing mark will be the last mark listed on the white board and the finishing line will be as described in SI 11.1.

2 MARKS

- 2.1 **Mark “V”**, if used, will be an inflatable 8’ YELLOW tetrahedron buoy.
- 2.2 The **starting mark** will be an inflatable 5’ ORANGE tetrahedron buoy.
- 2.3 If passing under either the Newport Pell Bridge or the Jamestown Verrazano Bridge, a yacht shall pass through the center span. For the purposes of rule 32.2(c), the center span shall be considered to be a gate.
- 2.4 **Mark descriptions:**

A	Conanicut Island (including GR “NR” BELL off Beaver Tail)	
B	R “6” Q R southeast of Quonset Point	41° 35.03’ N; 071° 23.58’ W
C	RG “SP” Fl (2+1) R 6s BELL	41° 36.92’ N; 071° 17.59’ W
D	Gould Island	41° 32.00’ N; 071° 20.67’ W (center of Island)
E	G C “13” just north of Newport Bridge	41° 32.56’ N; 071° 20.92’ W
F	R “12” Fl R 4s BELL southwest of Rose I	41° 29.67’ N; 071° 20.68’ W
G	R “2 QR WHIS Brenton Reef	41° 25.94’ N; 071° 21.78’ W
H	RW “NB” Mo(A) WHIS	41° 22.99’ N; 071° 23.36’ W
J	R “2” Fl R 4s WHIS south of Point Judith	41° 18.48’ N; 071° 28.35’ W
K	R N “2NS” Nebraska Shoal	41° 21.00’ N; 071° 34.50’ W
L	G “1 BI” Fl G 4s BELL north of Block I	41° 15.50’ N; 071° 34.56’ W
M	Block Island	
N	RW “SR” Mo(A) WHIS	41° 25.76’ N; 071° 13.38’ W
V	Special NYYC Racing Mark	inflatable 8’ yellow tetrahedron buoy