

# **ROBERT H. TIEDEMANN CLASSIC YACHTING WEEKEND**

July 1-2, 2017 Newport, Rhode Island



# **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club Regatta Association, Inc.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), except as may be changed by Notice of Race Addendum A NYYC Classics Rules.
- 1.2 The following US Sailing prescriptions will not apply: 60.3, 63.2 and 63.4.

#### 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 posted on the Official Notice Board and 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 The race committee will communicate on VHF channel 72.

#### 4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The scheduled time for the course signals is 1255 and the warning signal is 1300 for the first class.
- 4.2 One race is planned each day, except the 6 Metre Class and Herreshoff S Class may have a second race on either day. The course signals for a subsequent race, if any, will be made five minutes prior to the warning signal.
- 4.3 No warning signal shall be made after 1500.

#### 5 **RENDEZVOUS LOCATION**

Rendezvous in the vicinity just west of GR "EP" Fl(2 + 1) G 6s BELL, which is denoted as mark "13" on the South Bay Race Chart and east of Potter Cove.

#### 6 CHECK-IN AND RETIREMENT

- 6.1 Each yacht shall register at the check-in desk at the New York Yacht Club Sailing Center prior to racing at the registration times so designated in the notice of race.
- 6.2 Prior to their course signal each day, each yacht shall check in with the race committee signal boat by sailing or motoring by the stern of the signal boat and announcing their sail number or by hailing the race committee on VHF 72. Yachts that hail in via VHF must receive confirmation of their hail from the race committee.

6.3 Yachts retiring are requested to inform the race committee on the water, on VHF channel 72 or by calling the NYYC Sailing Office at (401) 845-9633.

# 7 **THE COURSES**

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.)

- a) The race committee will list and display the marks in the order to be rounded and the required side to leave the mark using the designations on the 2015-2017 South Bay Race Chart.
- b) Newport Bridge Yachts shall pass through the center span <u>only</u> for any course passing under the Newport Bridge. For the purposes of RRS 32.2 (c), the center span will count as a gate.
- c) Jamestown Bridge Yachts shall pass through the center span <u>only</u> for any course passing under the Jamestown Bridge. For the purposes of RRS 32.2 (c), the center span will count as a gate.
- d) Special Mark "E"
  - The Race Committee may add an inflatable first mark to any course by displaying flag "E".
  - If "E" is used, there will be either a green or red flag displayed below "E" to designate the direction to be rounded. Mark "E" is to be rounded either to STARBOARD (green flag below "E"), or to PORT (red flag below "E").
  - Special Mark "E" will be positioned approximately 0.5 NM to windward from the RC Signal Boat.
- e) The course will be:
  - Special Mark "E" if used
  - Round the marks in the designated order leaving each mark to the designated side
  - Finish

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 Mark "E" will be an inflatable yellow tetrahedron buoy. The starting mark will be an inflatable yellow tetrahedron buoy. The finishing mark will be an inflatable orange tetrahedron buoy.
- 8.2 Special NYYC Temporary Inflatable Race Marks 16 and 17 as designated on the 2015-2017 South Bay Race Chart, if used, will be inflatable orange tetrahedron buoys.

# 9 **THE START**

- 9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The warning signal for the first class is scheduled for 1300. The warning signal for the second class and each subsequent class shall be <u>after</u> the start of the previous class (not a rolling start).
- 9.2 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 a "Keep Off" buoy.
- 9.3 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 their respective circle VHF channel. Failure to make such an announcement, nor the timing or order of any announcement, 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, located opposite the starting line.
- 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**

12.1 Rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

12.2 The protest committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of non-Part 2 rules. This changes RRS 64.1.

# 13 TIME LIMIT

- 13.1 The time limit to sail the course and finish is five hours.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

# 14 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 A boat intending to file a protest shall notify the race committee on the water as soon as possible after finishing.
- 14.2 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.
- 14.3 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.

# 15 SCORING

- 15.1 A yacht's series score will 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 At least one half of the starters in a class must finish within the time limit in order for the race to be scored.
- 15.4 The Herreshoff S Class will be scored as a one-design class.
- 15.5 The 12 Metre and 6 Metre classes will be scored as one-design unless handicap ratings are provided by their respective Class Associations.
- 15.6 All other classes will be scored using their CRFMkII handicap.

## 16 **PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded at the Sunday barbeque to the top three yachts in each class.

## 17 **NOTES**

- 17.1 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.
- 17.2 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.
- 17.3 Newport Tides

Day	Date	Low Tide	Feet	High Tide	Feet
Saturday	July 1	0815	.6	1455	3.7
Sunday	July 2	0904	.6	1551	3.6

17.4 For further information please contact: New York Yacht Club Sailing Office 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840 Tel: 401/845-9633, Fax: 401/846-3303 email: sailingoffice@nyyc.org