



Sag Harbor Cup 44th Annual Benefit Regatta

Saturday, July 18th, 2026

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1 Breakwater Yacht Club, 51 Bay Street, Sag Harbor, NY, 11963

2 RULES

2.1 Racing will be governed by the 2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) including US Sailing Prescriptions and the General Conditions and Rules of ELIYA (www.elisailing.org) except as altered by these Sailing Instructions.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta website,
<https://breakwateryc.org/regatta/bhf2B3QWkp>

4 DIVISIONS

- 4.1 Division I – Spinnaker Boats having PHRF of 150 or less
- 4.2 Division II – Spinnaker Boats having PHRF of 151 or more
- 4.3 Division III – Non-Spinnaker Boats
- 4.4 Division IV – Club Class (separate course)

5 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the regatta website (<https://breakwateryc.org/regatta/bhf2B3QWkp>) before 1800 hours on the day prior to racing.
- 5.2 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions after 1800 hours on the day prior to racing will be made available from the Race Committee (RC) boat or an auxiliary RC boat.

6 SIGNALS MADE FROM ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at Breakwater Yacht Club at 1000 hours and regatta website (<https://breakwateryc.org/regatta/bhf2B3QWkp>) on the day of racing and announced on VHF Channel 72.
- 6.2 When flag N is over flag A the race will be abandoned.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Pursuit Race – boats get their start time from Appendix B (a separate document).
 - 7.1a 1200 hrs. – First sound signal for all Divisions is in the leeward end of Noyack Bay.
 - 7.1b 1600 hrs. – Party starts at the BYC Clubhouse, where results will be announced.

8 TIME

- 8.1 The RC will be using a GPS as the official timepiece.

9 TIME LIMIT

- 9.1** All boats must finish within 4 hours of their start, within 2 hours of the first finishing boat in their division or whichever comes first.
- 9.2** Any boats exceeding the time limit will be scored TLE (time limit exceeded) which gets the same points as a DNF.

10 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 10.1** The RC will broadcast and receive communications on VHF 72 for all divisions.
- 10.2** All competitors shall make every effort to monitor their appropriate VHF channel.
- 10.3** For recalls, the RC boat will attempt to hail or broadcast on VHF radio, the sail numbers or the names of OCS boats after the starting signal.
- 10.4** Failure to make a recall broadcast or hail, or to make it in a timely manner will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes US Sailing Racing Rule 62.1(a).

11 CHECK IN

- 11.1** Boats must sail by the RC boat and hail their sail number and boat name prior to the start or do the same on VHF radio Channel 72

12 PROTESTS

- 12.1** Protest time limit is 1 hour after the RC boat has docked at Breakwater Yacht Club.
- 12.2** Email the Sailing Director at sailingdirector@breakwateryc.org to file a protest if not returning back to the BYC dock.

13 SCORING

- 13.1** This is a pursuit race. Your finish place will be your score! If the race is shortened or an alternate course is used, then time-on-time will be used for scoring.

14 RETIREMENT

- 14.1** All vessels that retire from the race must call in to the RC with their intentions via VHF Channel 72 OR email the Sailing Director (Sean) at sailingdirector@breakwateryc.org.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1** Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third in all divisions, with at least 4 boats entered.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 16.1** Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, Breakwater Yacht Club, Organizing Authority, Sponsors, Support Facilities, Volunteers, Agents, Employees and Service providers, the PRO and the Committee will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the Regatta for both on-the-water and on-land activities. By participating in this event, each competitor (owners, skippers, and crews) agrees to release the race organizers and all persons and groups listed above from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law. All Skippers/Owners must acknowledge that when completing the online entry form.

17 INSURANCE

- 17.1** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

Any questions or concerns please contact the Breakwater Yacht Club Office:

Sean Elliott – 631.725.4604 – VHF Channel 11 – sailingdirector@breakwateryc.org

<https://breakwateryc.org/sag-harbor-cup>
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Appendix A

1 START

- 1.1 All Divisions 1, 2, 3, and 4 will start in the leeward end of Noyack Bay.
- 1.2 The starting line in Noyack Bay will be between an orange flage on the RC Boat and an orange cylinder at the port end of the line.
- 1.3 To find a boat's start time, refer to Appendix B (a separate document)
- 1.4 The probable course(s) will be announced Friday Afternoon before 4:00PM on (<https://breakwateryc.org/regatta/bhf2B3QWkp>). Be prepared to start for the earliest of the possible choices.

2 FINISH

- 2.1 The FINISH will be near Majors Point in Shelter Island Sound, between a blue flag on the RC Boat and an orange cylinder at the port end of the line.

3 MARKS – Positions are approximate.

As in course Description	Mark	Latitude	Longitude	Note
Approx. Start		41° 00.300'N	072° 19.600'W	Near Long Beach
N8	N"8"	41° 01.048'N	072° 16.271'W	S of Mashomack Point
N14P	N"14"	41° 02.411'N	072° 22.457'W	S of Paradise Point
N14T	N"14"	41° 02.046'N	072° 18.029'W	SE of Tyndal Point
N14C	N"14"	41° 04.614'N	072° 10.593'W	Crow Shoals
R16	R"16"	41° 01.714'N	072° 21.314'W	Middle of Noyac Bay
R18	R"18"	41° 00.725'N	072° 23.845'W	W of Jessup Neck
R20	R"20"	41° 58.571'N	072° 25.771'W	S of Nassau Point
MoaR	RW"N"Mo(A)	41° 05.999'N	072° 15.672'W	NE of Ram Island
MoaTM	RW"TM"Mo(A)	41° 02.656'N	072° 11.311'W	by Three Mile Harbor
C1	C"1"	41° 03.150'N	072° 14.015'W	NE of Cedar Point
G15	G"15"	41° 02.572'N	072° 18.689'W	N of Tyndal Point
G17	G"17"	41° 01.493'N	072° 22.910'W	N of Jessup Neck
WM	WM	To Windward of	the Start Area	Yellow Inflatable

4 COURSES

- 4.1 The Course Board will be displayed on the starboard side of the RC Boat.
- 4.2 The Race committee may elect to have a Windward Mark (WM) as the first mark of the course (probably an orange tetrahedron). If so the Course Board will display the Course Name followed by "WM". If "WM" is circled it shall be left to Starboard, otherwise it shall be left to Port.
- 4.3 For all courses, when going between N8 and either G15 or N14T, pass north of C"S" in the "North Channel" (south of Mashomack Point) and don't use the "South Channel" (by R "10A").
- 4.4 All government marks must be honored except during use as a mark of the course, and except N14T.
- 4.5 The Course(s) will be chosen from the following courses:

Course 1 “Three Mile Harbor” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - MoaTM(p) - N8(s) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 2 “Noyack Bay-longer” –

R16(p) - N14P(p) - R16(p) - N14P(p) - R16(p) - G15(s) - N14T(p) – Finish

Course 3 “Crow Shoal” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - N14C(p) - N8(s) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 4 “Ram's Head” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - MoaR(p) - N8(s) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 5 “Ram's Head-longer” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - MoaR(s) - C1(s) - MoaR(s) - C1(s) - N8(s) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 6 “Ram & Three Mile” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - MoaR(s) - MoaTH(s) - N8(s) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 7 “Little Peconic” –

R16(p) - N14P(p) – R18(p) - N14P(p) – R18(p) - G17(s) - R16(p) - G15(s) - N14T(p) – Finish

Course 8 “Robin's Island ” –

R16(p) - N14P(p) - G17(p) - R18(s) - R20(p) - R18(p) - G17(s) R16(p) - G15(s) - N14T(p) – Finish

Course 9 “North Haven ” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - N14T(s) – Finish

Course 10 “North Haven-longer” –

R16(s) - G15(s) - N14T(p) - N8(p) - N14T(p) - N8(p) G15(p) - N14T(p) – Finish

A Separate Document, posted on the event Notice Board, shows the above courses on charts

Appendix B is a separate document for the Start times for each boat