

# Benedict Arnold Race

Malletts Bay Boat Club  
Colchester, VT

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 1.1 Open to all member and non-member monohull keelboats with a Lake Champlain PHRF Certificate.
- 1.2 CLASSES:
  - Class Spinnaker: PHRF Handicap (all)
  - Class JAM: Non-spinnaker PHRF Handicap (all)
- 1.3 Registration: Online using the link on the MBBC-VT.org race calendar.
- 1.4 Before the warning signal, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the Signal Boat and hail her sail number and boat name until acknowledged by the RC repeating her number and name.

### 2 RULES

- 2.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2 If code flag "Y" is displayed, lifejackets are required to be worn.

### 3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online at the link on the MBBC-VT.org race calendar.
- 3.2 The Race Committee (RC) will monitor VHF marine radio frequency channel 72.
- 3.3 The RC intends to broadcast courtesy information to competitors.

### 4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.
- 4.2 Verbal changes on the water are allowed if the RC flies the "L" flag and announces the change on VHF 72.

### 5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the MBBC main flagpole or the Signal Boat.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in race signal AP. This changes "Race Signals".

### 6 SCHEDULE OF RACES & CLASS FLAGS

| Class | Flag  | Warning | Start |
|-------|-------|---------|-------|
| All   | White | 1100    | 1105  |

### 7 RACING AREA & COURSES

- 7.1 Lake Champlain west of outer Malletts Bay.
- 7.2 Course length 12.25nm:
  - 1 - Start near Carleton Prize
  - 2 - RN "24" (Crab Island) to port
  - 3 - Crab Island to port
  - 4 - RN "2" (Valcour Shoal) to starboard
  - 5 - GC "3" (in Valcour Channel) to port
  - 6 - Garden Island to starboard
  - 7 - RN "28" (Garden Island Ledge) to port
  - 8 - Finish near Carleton Prize

### 8 MARKS

- 8.1 All marks will be government buoys or islands except for the Start/Finish which shall be an orange, yellow or green shape.

### 9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started using rule 26.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between an orange flag displayed on the Signal Boat and the course side of a nearby mark to port of the Signal Boat.

### 10 RECALLS

- 10.1 The RC may use VHF channel 72 to broadcast race information. The race committee may attempt to hail each boat that is determined to be on course side (OCS) using VHF radio. The failure to hail, the order of hail, the hail of some but not all, or the untimely hail of OCS boats, all will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).

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### 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a blue flag displayed on the Signal Boat and the course side of a nearby mark to the Signal Boat.

### 12 TIME LIMITS & FINISHING WINDOW

- 12.1 The Time Limit is 1630 hours for all boats.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limit, and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress, will be scored Time Limit Expiredh (TLE) without a hearing. A boat scored TLE shall be scored points for their finishing place one more than the points scored by the last boat that finished within the time limit. This changes RRS 35, A5.1 and A5.2.
- 12.3 One boat finishing in any class will make the race valid for that class.

### 13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protests shall be reported to the Signal Boat at the finish and filed by e-mail to [race@mbbc-vt.org](mailto:race@mbbc-vt.org) by 2000 Saturday.
- 13.2 All protests will be heard at MBBC on Sunday at 1400.

### 14 SCORING

- 14.1 Appendix A. Low point.
- 14.2 All Classes will use PHRF time-on-time.
- 14.3 RRS A5.3 will be used.

### 15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1 Each boat shall carry safety equipment conforming to government regulations, class rules, and US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements for Nearshore.
- 15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

### 16 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

### 17 TRASH DISPOSAL

- 17.1 Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be placed aboard support boats and race committee boats.

### 18 PRIZES

- 18.1 The Benedict Arnold Trophy will be awarded at the MBBC Annual Banquet.

### 19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.