

2024 Weekend and Wednesday Night Sailing Instructions

(see separate SI's for Lasers)

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Note that RRS Appendix U will be in effect. This allows any Race Signal to be made by hailing. Hails will be made on VHF channel 68.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 All members in good standing of NBYC are eligible to race. Boats register by participating in racing. Scores will be recorded based on the sail number displayed on the vessel.
- 2.2 Non-members may race at the invitation of the Fleet Captain of that class.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the clubhouse bulletin board near the Galley window.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Changes to the Sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time for the day's racing and announced on VHF 68 prior to the start of racing. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours the day prior.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore may be displayed from the flagpole and shall be announced on VHF 68.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1 Wednesday Night: warning signal for the first class to start will be at 1800 hours. Additional classes will start as signaled by the race committee. Starting and ending date of the series will be announced in the club newsletter or posted on the bulletin board. The number of races that will be scored will be determined by the scorer and announced no later than August 1st.
- 6.2 Weekend Series: warning signal for the first class to start will be at 1400 hours. Additional classes will start as signaled by the race committee. Starting and ending date of the series as well as any special series scoring (ie, Holiday Weekends) will be announced in the club newsletter or posted on the bulletin board. The number of races that will be scored will be determined by the scorer and announced no later than August 1st.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 No class flags will be displayed; Class starting sequence will be displayed on the course board on the Signal Boat.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The course for each class will be posted on the course board on the Signal Boat and designated by class logo or number. All marks are to be rounded in the order listed on the course board. A numeral placed in the sequence indicates the number of times the preceding marks or sequence of marks is to be rounded. All marks shall be rounded to port except while finishing at F as noted in 12.1. See attached diagram for course and mark designation.
- 8.2 If a red flag is displayed on the Signal Boat, the Start and Finish line must not be crossed except when starting or finishing or rounding Mark X or Mark F. On a leg of the course from the weather mark to the leeward mark or from the leeward mark to the weather mark, boats shall leave the line between X and/or F and RC Signal boat either to port or to starboard. This line is defined as an OBSTRUCTION and RRS 19 applies. A boat that breaks this rule may not correct her error and will be scored DSQ without a hearing. (Changes RRS 63.1). The line remains an obstruction even after a course is changed or shortened. In the event the Signal Boat has to move, a mark boat will take its place to continue to delineate the obstruction.
- 8.3 All boats must pass to the east of C-7, "Three Foot Rock", Lightnings and Lasers excepted.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks will be inflatable marks as designated on the attached diagram except 'W' which is R-2 'White Rock'.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started per RRS Appendix U (3 minute sound signals).

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and the course side of the starting mark.

10.3 Classes will start in the order listed on the course board from top to bottom.

10.4 More than one class may be started together. If so, both classes will be listed together on the course board.

10.5 Recalls will be per RRS 29.

11 CHANGE/SHORTEN COURSE

11.1 Changes to the course, including shortening the course, will NOT be signaled per RRS Race Signals but will be announced on VHF 68 as per Appendix U. Changes may be made 'per class'. Courses may be shortened to one leg.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The last mark listed on the course board will be X or F. If X (port side of committee vessel), the finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and the course side of mark X. If F (starboard side of the committee vessel), the finish line will be between a staff displaying Code Flag F on a race committee boat and the course side of mark F.

13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 Wednesday Nights the first boat of each class must finish by 1930 hours or the race will be abandoned for that class. Any boat that does not finish by 2000 hours will be scored DNF.

13.2 Weekends the time limit for Atlantics shall be 2 hours from the starting signal. The time limit for other classes shall be 1 hour from their start. If no competitor finishes within the time limit, the race shall be abandoned. Any competitor not finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat of that class to properly finish shall be scored DNF.

14 PENALTIES

14.1 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will be in effect for non-One Design Wednesday Night races only. The penalty of 44.3c that is referenced in V2 shall be changed to 20% of the score of *the boat finishing first* in the involved race.

14.2 For all One Design races, RRS 44.1 and 44.2 apply regarding penalty turns. Any deviation in the number of turns will be decided by the individual fleets and will be promulgated to all fleet members by the respective Fleet Captains.

15 SAILS

15.1 Wednesday Nights spinnakers may not be used. (Any headsail used must be attached to the forestay along her full luff.) The use of spinnaker or whisker poles is allowed.

16 SCORING

16.1 Series scoring shall be done using the high point scoring system. (Special Weekend scoring is possible – see 6.2 above)

17 RADIOS

17.1 All boats shall monitor VHF 68 for announcements from the race committee.

18 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

18.1 Protest forms are available at the clubhouse office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the clubhouse office within the appropriate time limit.

18.2 For each class the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Signal Boat arrives at the dock.

18.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses as well as when and where hearings will be held. Hearings may be held after the event or on the following Saturday.

18.4 Notices of protest by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1b.