# BASS RIVER YACHT CLUB NEW ENGLAND BEETLE CAT BOAT ASSOCIATION

# LEO J. TELESMANICK CHAMPIONSHIP SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Saturday & Sunday, August 12 & 13, 2023

## 1. Rules:

The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2021-2024), including the prescriptions of US Sailing, and the New England Beetle Cat Boat Association (NEBCBA) One Design Regulations, except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.

### 2. Eligibility:

- a. The regatta is open to all Beetle Cat Boats.
- b. The helmsman shall be a member of the New England Beetle Cat Boat Association.

#### 3. Class Flag:

The class flag will be the NEBCBA Burgee

## 4. Notices and changes in the Sailing Instructions:

- a. Notices and changes in the sailing instructions will be posted on the bulletin board of the Bass River Yacht Club, more than 2 hours prior to the scheduled start of the day's racing.
- b. Oral instructions may be communicated to each yacht on the water before the warning signal while the race committee is flying the code flag "LIMA"
- c. Signals made ashore will be made from the yardarm of the Bass River Yacht Club flagpole located on the lawn.

# 5. Schedule:

- a. On Saturday, the signal for the harbor start will be 0915 hours. The race committee intends to make the first signal on the race course at 1000 hours. Subsequent races will start shortly after the last finisher has crossed from the previous race.
- b. On Sunday, the signal for the harbor start will be 0900 hours. The race committee intends to make the first signal on the race course at 0945 hours. Subsequent races will start shortly after the last finisher has crossed from the previous race.
- c. Four races are proposed for Saturday, with two on Sunday morning, but the Race Committee may run a greater or fewer number each day based on current conditions and forecast for each day.

## 6. Racing Area:

The racing area shall be a circle not more than 0.5 NM from the Bass River Gong #2.

#### 7. Courses:

- a. The diagrams enclosed show the possible courses. The identifying letter of the course will be displayed on the committee boat before or with the warning signal.
- b. The approximate direction of the windward leg will be shown.
- c. Turning angles shown are approximate.
- d. Marks are to be passed on the same side as the starting mark.

# 8. Marks:

Marks will be large ORANGE or YELLOW tetrahedrons or "tomatoes".

#### 9. **Start**:

- a. The races will be started in accordance with RRS Rule 26.
- b. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat and a nearby mark.

#### 10. General Signals:

- a. All signals will be made in accordance with the RRS Race Signals
- b. When code flag "FOXTROT" is flown, all yachts shall tie in at least one reef.

#### 11. Recalls:

- a. In the case of an individual recall, the race committee may attempt to hail the yacht's sail number; however, the obligation to start properly is solely the responsibility of each yacht.
- b. In the event of a general recall, RRS Rule 30.1, "round the ends rule", will be in effect.

#### 12. Finish line:

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and a nearby mark.

#### 13. Time limit:

The first boat must finish within 1 hour of the starting signal. All yachts finishing within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored.

#### **14. Safety:**

Yachts retiring shall attempt to notify the race committee as soon as practicable.

#### 15. <u>Life Jackets</u>:

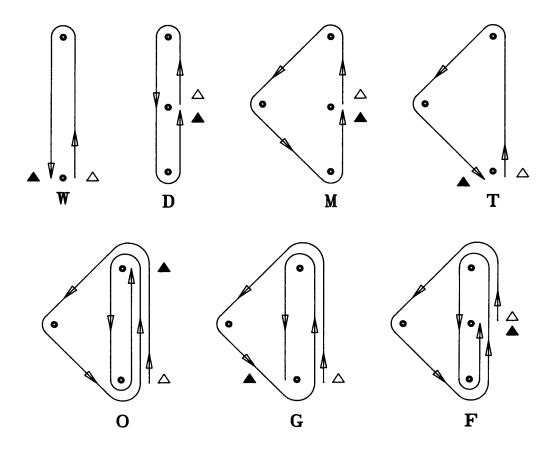
In accordance with Federal and State law, a USCG approved Type I, II, or III PFD for each person shall be aboard while on the water and shall be worn as required by lawn or NEBCBA Regulations. A SOLAS (Safety of Life at Sea) rescue whistle should be attached to the PFD.

#### 16. Protests:

- a. Protesting vessels shall give notice of their intent to protest, at the race committee boat, at the conclusion of the race.
- b. Protests shall be written on forms available at BRYC and filed there within 60 minutes of the committee's return to the dock. Hearings will be held immediately following the protest filing deadline.

## 17. Responsibility of Skippers:

The decision to undertake the race, the safety of each yacht and the people aboard, and the competence of each crew to meet the demands of navigation and seamanship are responsibilities accruing entirely to the skipper of each yacht.



Courses W, T, and D may be modified by adding additional legs, additional times around the entire course, or combinations thereof. When one of these courses is modified, it is posted with a number indicating the number of times the basic course is to be sailed. Refer to the following examples.

