



## **Commodore George R. Hinman Masters Invitational Trophy**

**August 20-22, 2010**

*Organizing Authority (OA):* New York Yacht Club (NYYC)

### **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*, including Appendix D – Team Racing Rules. US SAILING prescriptions to rule 60, 63.2 and 63.4 are deleted.
- 1.2 Rules D2.1(c) and D2.2(c) are changed by adding the following sentence to the end of each: “A boat taking a penalty shall have the spinnaker head below the main-boom gooseneck from the time she passes head to wind until she is on a close-hauled course.”
- 1.3 Sonar-type and J/22-type boats will be used. The Sonar Class and J/22 Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.4 Competitors shall handle the boats and equipment with proper care and seamanship and in accordance with SI Addendum B, Handling the Boats and SI Addendum C, Equipment List. The penalty, if any, for breaking a rule in either Addendum will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes rule 64.1(a).
- 1.5 USCG-approved PFDs shall be worn at all times while on the water except while actively adding or removing clothing. This modifies the preamble to Part 4 and rule 40. Competitors must supply their own PFDs. PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing except team identification bibs. A breach of this sailing instruction may only be protested by the Race Committee, Protest Committee or Umpires. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 1.6 No boat shall discharge trash of any kind into Narragansett Bay. Any boat observed breaking this rule is subject to protest only by the Race Committee, Protest Committee or Umpires. The penalty, if any, for breaking this rule will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes rules 60.1(a) and 64.1(a).

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Sailing Center.

#### **3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change in the Sailing Instructions will be approved by the Chief Umpire and announced at the Participants’ Meeting on the day it will take effect and posted immediately thereafter, except that changes on the water, including changes to SI 8.1, may be made orally by the Race Committee with the assistance of the Umpires, if necessary, in which case Flag “A” will be flown from the Signal Boat.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the head of the Harbour Court dock.

- 4.2 When a Postponement (flag AP) is displayed ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after flag AP is lowered. This changes "Race Signals."

## **5 BOATS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA)**

- 5.1 Sonar-type boats and J/22-type boats will be provided by New York Yacht Club for competing teams. The boats have been equalized in performance potential to the extent possible and organized into fleets. An alternate boat may be substituted in case of a breakdown. Claims regarding the performance of the boats will not be grounds for a redress request. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 5.2 All equipment shall be used as supplied and no changes, additions or subtractions shall be made other than those permitted by the Sailing Instructions or the Organizing Authority. Replacement of broken or damaged gear may only be made with gear sanctioned by the OA.
- 5.3 Addendum B, Handling the Boats, lists items and actions that are prohibited, permitted and mandatory.
- 5.4 Addendum C, Equipment List, lists all equipment that shall be onboard at all times.

## **6 SCHEDULE**

- 6.1 A meeting of participants will be held at 0900 on each day at the NYYC Sailing Center. The approximate time of the warning signal for the first race will be announced at the meeting.
- 6.2 The Race Committee will endeavor not to begin a starting sequence after 1500 on Sunday. However, weather conditions and/or the progress of the event may govern the actual conclusion of racing. This changes the Notice of Race.

## **7 REGATTA FORMAT**

- 7.1 The regatta format and number of races will be determined by the OA and will be based on the number of teams and the weather conditions. The planned format is to run a full round-robin (RR1) amongst all 12 teams, followed by a second round-robin (RR2) where the top six teams from RR1 will complete a 'gold' mini-RR, then the bottom six teams from RR1 will complete a 'silver' mini-RR. Depending on the time, the existing conditions and the weather forecast, the OA may declare the regatta complete, or continue with RR2, or go directly to a championship mini-round-robin(s) between the top four teams after the 'gold' mini-RR using only Sonars, or decide on any other format that it determines will provide the best competition in the remaining time and conditions.
- 7.2 A win in the first round-robin will be worth one point. A win in subsequent round-robins or mini-round-robins will be worth two points.
- 7.3 If time, wind, weather or other contingencies make the completion of a current or an additional scheduled round-robin impractical, the regatta may be terminated and the results based on the round robin(s) or races completed at the discretion of the OA in consultation with the Chief Umpire. This may revert back to the standings at the completion of the immediate prior round-robin or series or use results from a mini-round-robin or an incomplete round-robin. The OA, in consultation with the Chief Umpire, may terminate or alter the format in progress, or make such other arrangements as may be necessary to conclude the event.

## **8 FLEET DESIGNATION AND STARTING ORDER**

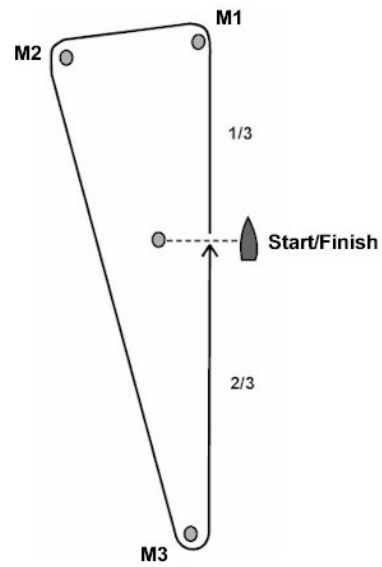
- 8.1 Teams will be assigned to boats as designated on the rotation in Addendum D - Rotation. Weather, time and conditions permitting, round robin races will be held in the order shown in Addendum D.
- 8.2 Boats will be identified in Addendum D by their sail color (white, pink, yellow, black) and mainsail number in the Sonars, and shroud/backstay flag color (pink, blue) and mainsail number in the J/22s.

## **9 RACING AREA**

The racing area will be on Narragansett Bay. The location of the rendezvous will be announced at the Participants' Meeting each day.

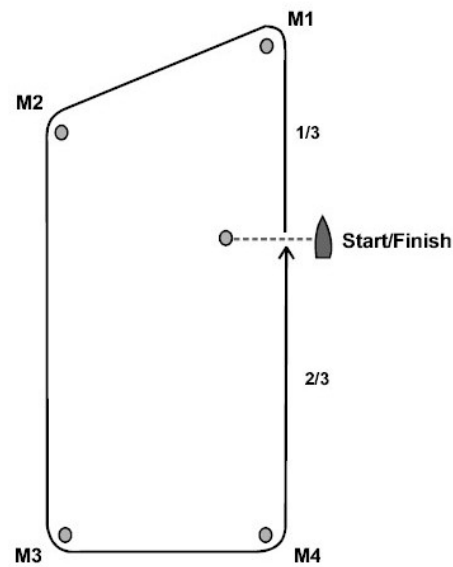
## 10 COURSE

- 10.1 The Course flag will be displayed at or before the warning signal.
- 10.2 The Race Committee may change a leg of the course that begins at a rounding mark by changing the position of the next mark or the finishing line, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. Subsequent legs may be changed to maintain the course configuration. There will be no visual or audible signals for a course change. This changes rule 33.
- 10.3 When a green flag is displayed with the course signal, marks are to be left to starboard.



**“T” - MODIFIED TRIANGLE**

Start – M1 – M2 – M3 – Finish



**“V” – BOX COURSE**

Start – M1 – M2 – M3 – M4 - Finish

- 10.4 The finishing mark for Course “V” may be set to the starboard side of the Signal Boat. The Race Committee will announce this change to the Course “V” diagram in accordance with SI 3.
- 10.5 The start/finish line, including the starting and finishing marks, are designated as a single obstruction through which boats shall not pass from the time a boat starts until she has finished.
- 10.6 Races may not be shortened. This changes rule 32 and Race Signal Flag “S”.

## 11 MARKS

All marks will be inflatable marks.

## 12 START AND FINISH

- 12.1 The start and finish lines will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Signal Boat and an inflatable mark. The Signal Boat may deploy a “Keep Off” buoy from her stern. This buoy and the line attaching it to the Signal Boat shall be considered an integral part of the Signal Boat.
- 12.2 Races will be started using the Sound-Signal Starting System in Appendix S of the *RRS*.

## 13 RECALLS

- 13.1 Individual recalls will be made in accordance with rule S6 using the sail number, modified in that the Individual Recall flag (flag “X”) will be displayed for up to one minute following the start.
- 13.2 If a General Recall is signaled, the First Substitute will be accompanied by repeated short sound signals. This changes rule 29.2 and Race Signal First Substitute.

## 14 TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 45 minutes for the first boat to sail the course and finish and, for all other boats, within 15 minutes of the first boat to finish. Any boat not finishing within 15 minutes of the first boat to finish or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored points equal to the number of boats entitled to race.

## 15 PROTESTS

15.1 Rule D2.4 (b) applies for all protests.

15.2 Rule 61, Protest Requirements, is modified in that a boat intending to protest or request redress shall report that fact to the Race Committee Signal Boat as soon as possible after finishing the race and clearly identify the boat(s) being protested or the reason for the redress request.

15.3 The Protest Committee may require that protests be heard on the water directly after the parties involved have finished the race. The “three-minute justice” system may be used. This changes rule 63.2 regarding time for preparation for the hearing and rule 63.6 regarding the calling of witnesses.

## 16 UMPIRES

16.1 Rule D2.2, Umpired Races, shall apply.

16.2 Competitors may assist the umpires when their team is not racing at the discretion of the chief umpire and shall not be considered *interested parties* while serving in this role.

## 17 SPINNAKERS

When the Race Committee Signal Boat displays flag “K” at or before the Warning Signal, spinnakers shall not be used for that race.

## 18 NOTES

18.1 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have the right of way over a vessel under power that may be restricted in its ability to maneuver.

18.2 All times herein are Eastern Daylight Time.

18.3 Government buoys, when not designated as having to be observed, or not specified as marks of the course, have no required side except for safe navigation.

## 19 TIDES

|                     | <u>High</u> |     | <u>Low</u> |
|---------------------|-------------|-----|------------|
| Friday, August 20   | 0517        | 3.1 | 1059       |
| Saturday, August 21 | 0613        | 3.2 | 1144       |
| Sunday, August 22   | 0700        | 3.4 | 1226       |

## 20 SAFETY

In accordance with rule 4, the responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The responsibility for the safety of the boat and each competitor lies solely with each individual and not with the New York Yacht Club.

## 21 PRIZES

A keeper trophy will be awarded to the winning team. The winning team’s name will be engraved on the Commodore George R. Hinman Masters Invitational Trophy.

## **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

Peter Benedetto – Event Chair  
Colin Gordon –NYYC TR Sub-Committee Co-Chair  
Chris Woods – NYYC TR Sub-Committee Co-Chair  
Joseph Aleardi, Benjamin Kinney - Team Racing Committee Co-Captains  
A. Rives Potts, Jr. - Chair, NYYC Sailing Committee  
Elizabeth Duggan – NYYC Racing Coordinator

## **RACE COMMITTEE**

Colin Gordon, PRO  
Sarah Gochberg, A-PRO  
Robert Armes  
Clay Bischoff  
Michael Deck  
A. J. Evans  
Andrew Kennedy  
Stuart Flerlage  
Avram Robbins  
Shane Wells

## **UMPIRES**

Charley Cook, Chief Umpire  
Thomas Duggan  
Matthew Flood  
Richard Gumpert  
Peter Johns  
Jay Kehoe  
Gregory Kiely  
Patricia O'Donnell  
Christopher Petracco  
Anderson Reggio  
Sue Reilly  
Kerry Sullivan  
Stephen van Dyck  
Greg Wilkinson  
Peter Wilson

## **PREVIOUS WINNERS**

|      |                                  |
|------|----------------------------------|
| 2000 | New York Yacht Club              |
| 2001 | Yale Corinthian Yacht Club       |
| 2002 | Yale Corinthian Yacht Club       |
| 2003 | No Race                          |
| 2004 | New York Yacht Club              |
| 2005 | Larchmont Yacht Club             |
| 2006 | New York Yacht Club              |
| 2007 | New York Yacht Club              |
| 2008 | Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club |
| 2009 | New York Yacht Club              |

## SI ADDENDUM A – LIST OF COMPETITORS

### **ANNAPOLIS YC**

Gary Jobson (TC)  
John Aras  
Dave Askew  
Molly Hughes Willmer

Mark Hillman  
Ron Weed  
Jon Forst  
Jennifer Flake Comerford

Rod Jabin  
Ken Comerford  
Matt Beck

### **NEW YORK YC**

Ned Jones (TC)  
Dean Brenner  
Heather Gregg / Wendy Lotz (Fri.)  
Susan Daly

Bill Tripp  
Danielle Tripp  
John Hele  
Dick Hoyt

Chip Whipple  
Lynne Whipple  
Dan Hadley  
Joe Bardenheier

### **SOUTHERN YC**

Dwight LeBlanc (TC)  
Connie LeBlanc  
Preston Christman  
John Lovell

Benz Faget  
Scott Sonnier  
Gerard Sonnier  
Rob Rogers

John Dane  
Leslie Dane  
Tim Molony

### **BOSTON YC**

Ted Moore (TC)  
Larry Rosenfeld  
Peter DeWolfe  
Amy Drinker

Charlie Quigley  
Leo Fallon  
Ron Homa

Mike Fallon  
Jason Maher  
Dee Colcord  
Janet Quigley

### **NOROTON YC**

Lee Morrison (TC)  
Susan Morrison  
Don Vasta  
Karl Ziegler

Tom Kinney  
Britt Hall  
Kevin Sheehan  
Jim Linville

Steve Shepstone  
Melissa Shepstone  
Kari Roberts  
Paul Barringer

### **ST. FRANCIS YC**

Mark Adams (TC)  
Peter Lane  
Jennifer Dunbar  
Dan Pingaro

Bill Dana  
Paul Manning  
Mike Priest

Beau Vrolyk  
Theresa Brandner  
John Siegel  
Kellie Fennesy

### **EASTERN YC**

Bill Lynn (TC)  
Rick Myers  
Katie Bloxham (Sat. & Sun.)  
Ed Keller (Sat. & Sun.)  
Sam Foster (Fri. only)

Jack Slattery  
Dru Slattery  
Kyle Jachney  
Molly Bushman

Dave Curtis  
Tom Dailey  
John Boyle  
Deb Noble

### **ROYAL THAMES YC**

Bernard Kinchin (TC)  
Anthony Esse  
Joseph King

Nigel Baker  
Mike Halstead  
Jilly Allenby Ryan

Margo Taylor  
Paul Madden  
Bernard Sivell Muller

### **STORM TRYSAIL/IDA LEWIS**

Paul Fleming (Sat. & Sun.)  
Brad Dellenbaugh (Fri.)  
Steve Regine  
Steve Lirakis  
Dan Faria (TC)

Jeff Adam  
Steve Park  
Lee Reichart

Peter Stalkus  
Ray Fougere  
Deb French-McKay  
Jeff Udell

**LARCHMONT YC**

Rob Dailey  
David Dowd  
Steve Leicht  
Tricia Leicht

Michael Funsch  
Dan Ronan  
Buttons Padin  
Teresa Laughlin

Andy Kaplan (TC)  
Steve Langan  
Chris Marx  
Kate Manion

**SEAWANHAKA CYC**

Al Constants (TC)  
Priscilla Constants  
Gary Van Dis  
Robert Capita

Mark Swanson  
David Trinder  
Robyn Philip-Norton  
Dave Constants

Hugh Jones  
Jim Hahn  
Bam Miller

**TEXAS CORINTHIAN YC**

Tony Smythe  
George Francisco  
Eric Ellis

Gary Ross  
Joel Scott  
Ford Hubbard

Gerard Coleman  
Pierce Owens  
Mike McCann  
Mike Guerriero

## **SI ADDENDUM B - HANDLING THE BOATS**

### **1 GENERAL**

While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize, variations in the boats will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

### **2 PROHIBITED ITEMS and ACTIONS**

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by an umpire otherwise, the following are prohibited:

- 2.1 Any additions, omissions or alterations to the equipment supplied.
- 2.2 The use of any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
- 2.3 The replacement of any equipment without the sanction of the RC.
- 2.4 Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
- 2.5 Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
- 2.6 Boarding a boat without prior permission.
- 2.7 Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the RC, or, on race days, while 'AP' is displayed ashore.
- 2.8 Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
- 2.9 Moving the mast blocks.
- 2.10 Using a flattener as a reef.
- 2.11 Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
- 2.12 Perforating sails, even to attach tell tales.
- 2.13 Radio transmission, except to report damage or in response to a request from the RC.
- 2.14 Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging, excluding the backstay.
- 2.15 The use of electronic instruments other than compass and watches.
- 2.16 Using the spinnaker pole to wing out the foresail.
- 2.17 Marking directly on the hull or deck with permanent ink.
- 2.18 The use of the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) above the lower bottle screw (turnbuckle) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crew member outboard is prohibited.
- 2.19 Sitting outboard (including legs) of the toe rail is prohibited, but the upper body may lean outboard.

### **3 PERMITTED ITEMS and ACTIONS**

The following are permitted:

- 3.1 Taking on board the following equipment:
  - (a) basic hand tools
  - (b) adhesive tape
  - (c) line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less)
  - (d) marking pens
  - (e) tell tale material
  - (f) watch, timers and hand held compass
  - (g) shackles and clevis pins
  - (h) velcro tape
  - (i) spare flags
- 3.2 Using the items in 3.1 to:
  - (a) prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets
  - (b) attach tell tales
  - (c) prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard
  - (d) mark control settings
  - (e) make minor repairs and permitted adjustments
  - (f) make signals as per Appendix C6
- 3.3 On the J/22 only, fixing a spinnaker sheet catcher at the bow, providing that it does not extend the length of the boat more than 100 mm and does not require any repair after removal.
- 3.4 Changing the number of mainsheet purchases.

#### **4 MANDATORY ITEMS and ACTIONS**

The following are mandatory:

- 4.1 The completion of a written damage report before leaving a boat and submitting it to the Bo'sun, even if no damage or loss is recorded. Reports shall include any evidence of matters which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future matches.
- 4.2 At the end of each sailing day:
  - (a) rolling, bagging and placement of the sails as directed
  - (b) leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day
  - (c) releasing backstay tension
- 4.3 At the end of the final day for a particular boat, cleaning the boat (cabin and decks), removing all trash & recycling and removing all tape and marks.
- 4.4 Any request to alter, in any way, the equipment on a boat shall be in writing and worded to permit a yes/no answer.
- 4.5 Complying with any regulations, including speed restrictions and navigation marks, while leaving or returning to the berth or mooring.
- 4.6 A breach of items 4.2 and 4.3 will be considered as damage and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.

#### **SI ADDENDUM C - EQUIPMENT LIST**

The following non-fixed items, provided by the OA, are to be carried on board at all times in their designated place while sailing. Any loss shall be reported on the daily damage report.

##### **SONARS**

###### **SAILS and SAILING EQUIPMENT**

- Mainsail and set of battens
- Jib
- Spinnaker
- Three sail bags
- One spinnaker pole
- Two spinnaker sheets
- Jib sheets
- Two twings
- Tiller extension
- Two headsail track cars

###### **SAFETY GEAR**

- Life jackets for each crew member (provided by competitors or OA)
- Paddle
- Bucket & sponge
- Bilge pump
- Throwable cushion

###### **GROUND TACKLE**

- Anchor and chain
- Anchor line

###### **MOORING LINES and FENDERS**

- Four (gold) dock lines
- One (black or gold) tow line
- Two blue fenders

##### **J/22s**

###### **SAILS and SAILING EQUIPMENT**

- Mainsail and set of battens
- Jib
- Spinnaker
- Three sail bags, mainsail cover
- One spinnaker pole
- Two spinnaker sheets
- Jib sheets
- Two twings
- Tiller extension
- Two headsail track cars
- Winch handle

###### **SAFETY GEAR**

- Life jackets for each crew member (provided by competitors or OA)
- Paddle
- Bucket & sponge
- Throwable cushion

###### **GROUND TACKLE**

- Anchor and chain
- Anchor line

#### **SI ADDENDUM D – ROTATION (attached)**