



New York Yacht Club Grandmasters Team Race Regatta

August 7-8, 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.
- 1.2 Sonar-type boats will be used. Sonar Class rules shall not apply.
- 1.3 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 the team identification bibs provided by the OA. A breach of this sailing instruction may only be protested by the Race Committee, Protest Committee or Umpires. This changes rule 60.1(a).
- 1.4 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 for a breach of this rule, which may include disqualification from a race, is 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 announced at the Participants' Meeting on the day it will take effect and posted immediately thereafter, except that changes made to SI 8.1 may be made verbally and will be effective immediately, 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 Signal AP.

5 BOATS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY (OA)

- 5.1 Sonar-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 To keep the boats as equal as possible, the following limitations shall apply to all competitors:
- The boats shall be sailed with the rigging and fittings as supplied. Replacement of broken or damaged gear may only be made with gear sanctioned by the OA. Electrical or rigging tape may be used to help prevent gear from snagging.
 - Halyards shall not be unrove.
 - Standing rigging shall be set to a standard setting prior to the start of the regatta and shall not be adjusted nor tensions altered for the duration of the event except by the OA.
 - Mast block placement shall be set prior to the start of the regatta and shall not be altered for the duration of the event except by the OA.
 - Only one set of sails shall be used for the duration of the event unless a substitution is authorized by the OA.
 - Every effort should be made to avoid damage to hulls, rigging and sails.
 - Competitors are responsible for inspecting their assigned boats for possible breakdowns and missing equipment. Discrepancies must be reported immediately.

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.

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 two round-robins followed by a championship mini-round-robin between the top four teams. The OA may run additional races for the fifth and sixth place teams if a championship mini-round-robin is run.
- 7.2 A win in the first round-robin will be worth one point. A win in subsequent round-robins or mini-round-robins or races 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 or series impractical, the regatta may be terminated and the results based on the round robins or races completed at the discretion of the OA in consultation with the Umpires. This may revert back to the standings at the completion of the immediately prior round-robin or series or use results from an incomplete round-robin. The OA, in consultation with the Umpires or Protest Committee, 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

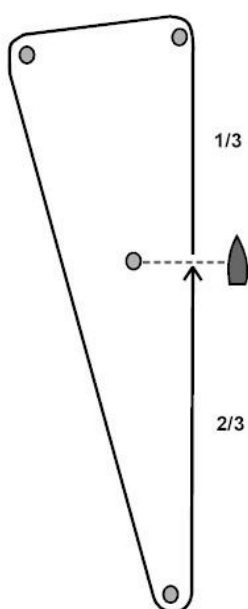
- 8.1 Teams will be assigned to boats as designated on the rotation in Addendum 1. Weather, time and conditions permitting, round robin races will be held in the order shown in Addendum 1.
- 8.2 Boats will be identified in Addendum 1 by their sail color (white, pink, yellow, black) and mainsail number.

9 RACING AREA

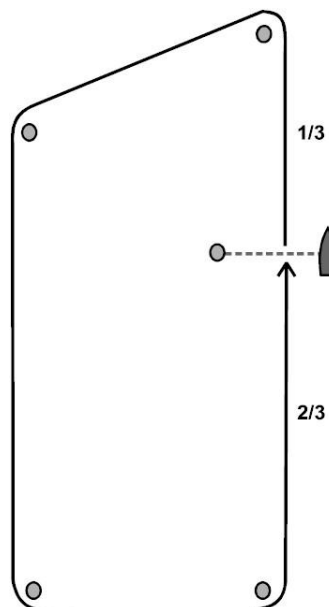
The racing area will be on Narragansett Bay. The location of the rendezvous will be announced at the Participants' Meeting.

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



“V” – BOX COURSE

- 10.4 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 When 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 immediately 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 D2.3(b), Races With Limited Umpiring, 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

Spinnakers shall not be used.

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>
Saturday, August 7	0546	3.4	1113
Sunday, August 8	0643	3.8	1211

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.

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