



**64<sup>th</sup> Annual Distance Race  
For the Junior Distance Sailing Championship of Long Island Sound  
Tuesday, August 11, 2020**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing; the US Safety Equipment Regulations (SER) Coastal and the current Rules for JSA Events, except as modified by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2 PHRF Minimum Safety Equipment Recommendations of the Y.R.A. of Long Island Sound rule 4.0 is modified by JSA Rules for PHRF Events, Rules F.5 b) & F.6 b).
- 1.3 The Advisors/Owners are not considered crew members and shall not assist the sailors with boat handling, trimming, racing strategies or steering except when a safety issue is involved.
- 1.4 If safety is a factor, the Owner or Advisor may take the helm, issue orders, use the engine, or take appropriate action. Any such intervention should be recorded, in detail in the log. At the very least, such detail shall include the GPS coordinates and time for both the start and finish of the period in which the adult advisor intervenes under this section. Immediately upon finishing, the yacht shall inform the Race Committee that an owner/advisor intervention has occurred and that there will be a submission. That submission is due in writing by noon the day following the start, or 12 hours after finishing. Such action will not be grounds for automatic disqualification.
- 1.5 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to inspect the boats before or after the Race to verify compliance with the above.

**2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors that are made prior to the scheduled check-in shall be made by sending an email to one or more Senior Advisors at the email address listed in the entry form.

**3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 800 hours on the day of the race.
- 3.2 Or, if made on the water pursuant to RRS 90.2(c), by displaying Race Signal “L” from the signal boat and given orally over VHF Channel 69 in the 10 minutes prior to the start.

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

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole at the BPYC's dock house.

#### **5. SCHEDULE**

5.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1055 hours on Tuesday, August 11, 2020. The warning signal for each succeeding class is scheduled to be made 5 minutes after the starting signal of the preceding class.

#### **6. CLASSES**

6.1 Boats may be divided into two classes based on the number and ratings of entries.

6.2 Class flag will be the letter pennant of the class/division as assigned on the scratch sheet.

#### **7. RACING AREA**

7.1 The racing area is the waters of Long Island Sound west of and in the area of Stratford Shoal Light.

#### **8. THE COURSES**

8.1 The course to be sailed will be indicated by the display of a numbered course card on the RC boat prior to the warning signal for the Class. The course card will correspond to one of the following courses:

**Course I** (57 miles)

Start to Stratford Shoal Light (leave to starboard) to finish.

**Course II** (61.1 miles)

Start to Green Gong "21" (leave to port) to Red Bell "18" (leave to starboard) to Stratford Shoal Light (leave to starboard) to finish.

**Course III** (61.4 miles)

Start to Green Gong "23" (leave to port) to Stratford Shoal Light (leave to starboard) to finish.

**Course IV** (35.7 miles)

Start to Green Gong "23" (leave to port) to Green Gong "11B" (leave to port) to finish.

**Course V** (56.7 miles)

Start to Green Gong "21" (leave to port) to Red Bell "18" (leave to port) to finish.

8.2 All government marks that are not marks of the course are to be left to their seaward side, with the exception of the following marks, which may be passed on either hand: Red Bell "32A", Red Bell "28C", Green Gong "11B", Green Can "3" north of Stratford Shoal Light, Green can "1" east of Stratford Shoal light, and Red Bell "2" south of Stratford Shoal Light.

8.3 Courses may be shortened. To shorten a course the Committee boat will announce the change on VHF Channel 69 and will request acknowledgement by each participant.

#### **9. CHECK IN**

9.1 Prior to the first warning signal each boat shall check in with the Race Committee by sailing astern of the RC boat with its mainsail reefed and hailing the name of the boat and its sail number on VHF Channel 69.

## **10. THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and Red Bell "42".
- 10.3 No boat shall start later than 30 minutes after her starting signal.
- 10.4 No warning signal shall be sounded after 2000 hours

## **11. RECALLS**

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled by a horn signal and the display of signal flag X. The Race Committee will endeavor to hail the sail numbers of the OCS boats by loud hailer or over VHF Channel 69. Failure to hear such hail or the timing and order of such hail shall not be grounds for redress.
- 11.2 A boat which makes a premature start and fails to return and start properly will be penalized by the addition of 30 minutes to her elapsed time.

## **12. TIME LIMITS**

- 12.1.1 There shall be no time limits.

## **13 THE FINISH**

- 12.1 The finish will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and Red Bell "42".
- 12.2 If the RC boat is not on station, a boat finishing shall record her time when, leaving Red Bell "42" to starboard at the shortest practicable length, Red Bell 42 bears 0 degrees magnetic; and shall report that time as soon as possible to BPYC on VHF Channel 69 or by telephone at: 917-620-1164.
- 12.3 Boats shall notify the RC on VHF Channel 69 when their finish is imminent.

## **14 PENALTIES**

- 14.1 On the day of the race and until all boats finish and clear the finishing area, any boats whose crew engage in activity, which in the opinion of the RC, could be dangerous or harmful to another boat or its crew, are subject to disqualification by the RC.

## **15 PROTESTS**

- 15.1 A boat intending to protest shall inform the RC when finishing or withdrawing. This adds to rule 61.1(a).
- 15.2 Protests shall be written on standard forms available at the registration desk and online at: [www.ussailing.org/racemgt/documents/ussapf.pdf](http://www.ussailing.org/racemgt/documents/ussapf.pdf) and delivered to the Beach Point Club main office by 1000 hours on the day following the start of the race, or within one hour after the time of the last boat's finish, whichever is later.
- 15.3 Protests will be heard in the Yacht Club room in the main clubhouse promptly on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 1000 hours.

## **16 COMMUNICATION**

- 16.1 While racing, boats shall neither make nor receive radio or cell phone transmissions not available to all boats with the following exceptions: in emergencies, in response to contact initialized by the RC, or in contacting the RC when notifying the RC after retiring or when finishing or as set forth in 13.3.

- 16.2 During the race, contestants may not receive weather, current or navigational information except by broadcast or online from a publicized source available, without charge, to all competitors. Fee-based, regatta-specific weather forecasting services are not permitted.
- 16.3 The RC will monitor VHF Channel 69 from 1000 hours on the day of the race until the finish of the last boat.
- 16.4 In the event of an emergency, the RC will be available at: 917-620-1164.
- 16.5 The US Coast Guard monitors VHF Channel 16 and can be reached by phone at: 203-468-4401 if in waters off Coastal Connecticut or North Shore of Long Island or 718-354-4120, if west of Port Chester, NY.

## **17 PRIZES**

- 17.1 The Junior Distance Sailing Championship Trophy, presented by BPYC, and the Everett B. Morris Memorial Trophy, donated by Emil Mosbacher, Jr., will be awarded to the club whose boat has the best-corrected time in the fleet.
- 17.2 First prizes will be awarded to the clubs whose boats have the best corrected time in each class; second prizes will be awarded in each class in which four or more boats start; third prizes will be awarded in each class in which seven or more boats start; fourth prizes will be awarded in each class in which ten or more boats start.

## **18 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY**

- 18.1 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Beach Point Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any guardian or heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Beach Point Yacht Club and the JSA of LIS and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the Race Committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant. Beach Point Club and Beach Point Yacht Club bear no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to yachts or their personnel arising from any cause during the race.

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