



Bill Volk Regatta & RAIN Cup
Saturday June 6 and Sunday June 7 2015
Keyport Yacht Club
115 First Street, Keyport NJ 07735
(N40-28.4' W74-11.0')



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Sailing Instructions.

1 RULES: The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS: Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board (The official notice board is in the upstairs fireplace room on the glass wall opposite the fireplace at Keyport Yacht Club.)
All competitors shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channels 69 and 16 and 09.
Keyport Yacht Club launch(s) monitor VHF channel 09. All racers should monitor VHF channel 69.
An attempt will be made to post all changes at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1314>, which is NOT the official notice board.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE: Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole in the lower (waterside) parking lot of Keyport Yacht Club. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with '60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES: Dates of racing: Saturday June 6 for the Navigators Class. All other classes are scheduled to race Saturday June 6 and Sunday June 7. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 11:30. On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 16:00.

6 CLASS FLAGS: Class flags will be listed on the scratch sheet. Scratch sheets will be posted on the official notice board and an attempt will be made to post the scratch sheet at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1314>

7 RACING AREAS: The racing area will be on the waters of Raritan Bay, New Jersey in the vicinity of or to the east of Keyport Harbor Channel Mark 1.

8 THE COURSES:

Navigator Division: This Navigator Division is intended for those boats that do not normally race. The user of Spinnakers will NOT be allowed in this division. This division is for those who want to learn to race, cruisers who want to race, or those who want to have fun in a low-pressure environment. It is the intention of the race committee to have one race on Saturday June 6, 2015 with a start after all other classes have started. The start is intended to be from the same starting area as all other classes. When starting leave the race committee boat to starboard and when finishing leave the race committee boat to starboard. The course is from the start line to Old Orchard Shoal Light, (rounded either way) and return to cross the finish line (in the vicinity of the start area). **All Navigator boats are required to notify the race committee if they withdraw from racing.** The race committee may issue verbal instructions to the competitors in this division, including course changes. VHF channel 69 will be used for this communication. **Each Navigator boat shall acknowledge receipt of instructions issued on VHF 69.**

Non-Navigator Divisions: Addendum A shows the courses to be sailed. No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course, the approximate magnetic compass bearing to the first mark and the distance to the first mark. These 3 items (course, distance and bearing) will be displayed from the signal boat.

Course "W" is a Windward/Leeward course with a windward offset mark. The number of **LEGS** to be raced will be displayed next to the letter "W". The distance between the windward mark and the offset mark shall not count as a leg for the purposes of indicating the number of legs

9 MARKS: Course marks will be yellow inflatable balls. **An offset mark will be used at the windward mark, the offset mark will be a small buoy.** New marks will be yellow and black inflatable balls.

10 STARTS: The starting line will be between the staff of an orange flag on the signal boat at the one end and the windward side of a mark at the other end. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

When the RC displays code flag "C" prior to the warning signal and throughout the starting sequence, the initial mark shall be the change mark as designated in SI 9. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

Classes may not start in numerical order. The Race Committee may combine two or more classes into one start by displaying multiple class flags at the Warning Signal. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce the next class(es) to start on VHF Channel 69.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE: To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark (back to a yellow ball).

12 THE FINISH: The finishing line will be between the staff of an orange flag on the signal boat at the one end and the mark at the other end.

13 TIME LIMITS: Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5. This 20 minute rule does not apply to the Navigator Division. The Navigator Division has a 4:30 pm time limit regardless of start time.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS: A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee of its intention to protest, including the sail number of the boat(s) being protested, at the earliest possible time after finishing or withdrawing from the race.

14.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee boat has docked (or moored) at the end of each day. Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the waterfront office (lower level office) beginning at the time posted.

15 SCORING: The scoring system is Appendix A4. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS: All boats shall check in at the beginning of each race day by sailing behind the signal boat on starboard tack. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on **VHF 69**.

17 HAUL-OUT AND CLEANING RESTRICTIONS:

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of written permission of the race committee. The use of underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

18 RADIO COMMUNICATION: Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communication not freely available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. The race committee will broadcast and or monitor VHF channel 69. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

19 PRIZES: Division trophies for all divisions (including the navigator division) will be awarded after the conclusion of racing on Sunday June 7, 2015 at Keyport Yacht Club. The Bill Volk Trophy will be awarded to the first place boat of the most competitive division (the navigator division is NOT included). The most competitive division is determined by lowest average spread of corrected times between the 1st and 3rd place boats.

The Vi Yurowski Trophy will be given to the best performing Keyport Yacht Club boat (the navigator division is NOT included) as per the Deed of Gift.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority (including, but not limited to, the race committee, protest committee, and/or Keyport Yacht Club) will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, or during, or after the regatta.

Addendum A – Courses (not including Navigator)

