



American Yacht Club  
Rye, NY USA  
2020 High Performance Regatta  
October 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- i. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- ii. The Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix T "ARBITRATION" shall apply.
- iii. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 "PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT" shall apply.
- iv. J/70 Class Rules 111.1.3 (Support Boats) and 111.1.4 (Corinthian Division) shall apply.
- v. Appendix U shall apply for the Yellow Circle only.
- vi. Boats without an engine are encouraged to carry a floating towline, minimum 3/8 diameter and 3 times the length of the boat.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Event Website:

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13185>.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- i. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main club flagpole located on the front lawn of the main clubhouse.
- ii. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

#### Saturday, October 10

1030 Scheduled First Warning Signal (All Classes)




#### Sunday, October 11

1030 Scheduled First Warning Signal (All Classes)

No Warning Signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday, October 11

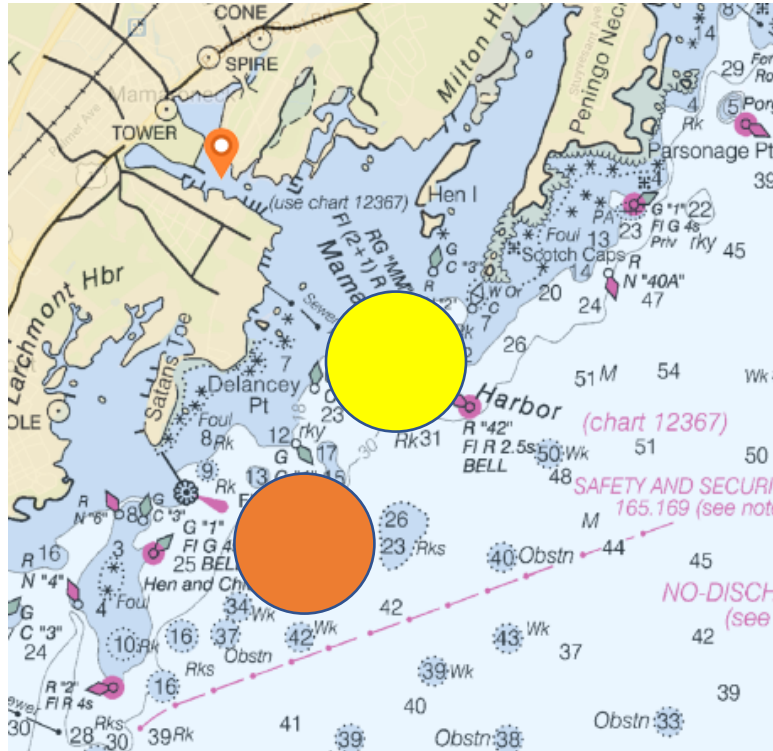
### 6 CLASS FLAGS

The Class flags for the Orange Circle will be numeral pennants as indicated below:

		
1	2	3
Viper 640	K6	J/70

## 7 RACING AREAS

- i. There will be two racing areas off Milton Point, Rye, New York. The Orange Circle will be located approximately 1.50nm Southwest of Milton Point. The Yellow Circle will be located approximately 0.50nm Southwest of Milton Point.
- ii. The race committee signal boat for the Orange Circle will be “Peningo” (White hull lobster boat). The race committee signal boat for the Yellow Circle will be a “Bear” (White hull outboard).

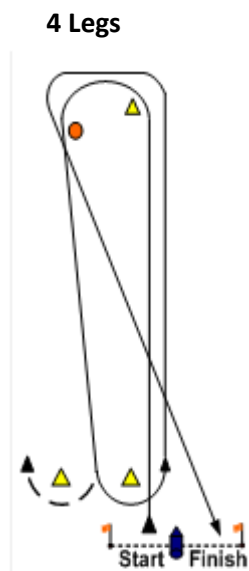
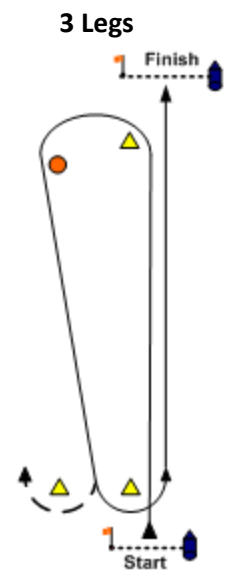


## 8 THE COURSES

### ORANGE CIRCLE

- i. The following diagrams show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

Example:



- ii. No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the magnetic bearing and range, in nautical miles, from the signal boat to the first mark and the number of legs for each class. All rounding marks and the start mark shall be left to port.
- iii. The race committee may set a leeward gate in place of a leeward mark. If there is a leeward gate, boats shall pass through the gate from the direction of the previous mark before proceeding on to the next leg of the course. If there is only one mark present in the area of the leeward mark, then that mark should be rounded to port.
- iv. Boats shall not pass through the start or finish lines unless starting or finishing. A boat infringing this rule may not correct the error by sailing back through the start/finish line and leaving the start/finish marks on the correct side. This changes RRS 28.1. The line between the signal boat and the start/finish marks shall be considered an *obstruction* for RRS 19.
- v. Below is a sample Orange Circle course board and configurations which may be read left to right or right to left depending on the signal boat and location of the viewer (labels may not be displayed):

Bearing	Range	Class	Legs
2	0	1	4
3	.7	2	2
0		3	4

YELLOW CIRCLE

- i. The course for the Yellow Circle will be given verbally before the start of each race.
- ii. All rounding marks and the starting mark left to port.
- iii. The race committee may set a leeward gate in place of a leeward mark. If there is a leeward gate, boats shall pass through the gate from the direction of the previous mark before proceeding on to the next leg of the course. If there is only one mark present in the area of the leeward mark, then that mark should be rounded to port.

**9 MARKS**

- i. Orange Circle rounding marks will be orange inflatable tetrahedrons. Orange Circle start mark will be a yellow inflatable cylinder, and the finish mark will be a yellow inflatable tetrahedron. An offset mark may be set approximately 100 feet away from the windward mark and will be a small orange or red buoy. This mark, if set, must be honored regardless of the course being sailed.
- ii. Yellow Circle rounding marks will be orange hippity-hops for the windward mark and leeward mark. Yellow Circle Start and Finish marks will be orange hippity-hops. There will be no offset marks on the Yellow Circle.

**10 THE START**

- i. US Sailing Prescription Appendix U “Audible-Signal Racing System” shall apply to the Yellow Circle only.
- ii. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port end starting mark.
- iii. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose warning signal has been made.
- iv. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

- v. The Race Committee may endeavor to hail the sail number(s) of boats which are OCS. Failure of the race committee to hail OCS boats, the timing of the hail, or failure of competitors to hear the hail shall not be grounds for requesting redress.

## **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. On the Orange Circle the change mark will be a yellow tetrahedron, and on the Yellow Circle the change mark will be a hippity-hop.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- i. For WL courses with an even number of legs, finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat on the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.
- ii. For WL courses with an odd number of legs, finish will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat on the starboard end and the course side of the port end finishing mark.

## **13 PENALTY SYSTEM**

The US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 "PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT" shall apply.

## **14 TIME LIMITS**

- i. The time limit for the first boat in each class to sail the course and finish shall be 1 hour.
- ii. A boat that fails to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat in their class to sail the course and finish shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- iii. If a boat in last place in a race is delaying the start of another race, the race committee may terminate the race and score that boat in the place she would have finished. This changes rule 35.

## **15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- i. A boat intending to protest shall notify the race committee promptly after finishing that race. This changes Rule 61.1a.
- ii. Protest forms are available on Yachtscore and shall be completed and e-mailed to the AYC Protest Committee at [aycrc@americanyc.org](mailto:aycrc@americanyc.org) within the time limit.
- iii. The protest time limit for each class shall be 1 hour after the race committee signal boat for their circle docks.
- iv. The protest hearings will be conducted on a Zoom call which will be scheduled on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Parties will be notified of the time of the hearing by e-mail.

## **16 SCORING**

- i. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- ii. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- iii. When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **17 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- i. All competitors shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) or CE approved personal flotation device while on the water, other than for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes Rule 40. [DP]

- ii. Before the first warning signal for the first race each day, each boat shall sail by the stern of the Race Committee Signal boat on starboard tack and check-in and continue to do so until verbally acknowledged by the Race Committee.
- iii. Boats retiring for the day, withdrawing from a race, or not intending to start a race must notify the race committee or a safety boat before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the club waterfront staff immediately upon arriving ashore.

## **18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Organizing Authority, once launched for the regatta, J/70s shall not be hauled until the conclusion of racing. No such restrictions shall apply to other classes.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS - EMERGENCY ONLY**

Competitors may use VHF Channel 68 to contact the Safety & Rescue boat.

## **20 PRIZES**

- i. Prizes will be given to the top 3 finishers in each class, and to the top boat with a helmsman under the age of 25 years of age which, in the judgement of the race committee, performed the best overall in the regatta.
- ii. There will be no awards ceremony. Prizes will be mailed to the winners after the event.

## **21 NAVIGATION RULES**

All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to yield right of way to vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver, especially to tugs and barges. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the race committee.

## **22 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY**

The skipper/owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew or guests. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member or agent of the American Yacht Club, the skipper/owner will be held responsible, and his/her boat shall be subject to protest and disqualification.

## **23 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE**

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasers") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water. Releasers also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death, whether by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasers forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasers now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasers' participation in such sailing events. Notwithstanding anything to

the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasers agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

## 24 OTHER DOCUMENTS

Forms, race documents, amendments, the scratch sheet, and results related to this event will be located on the Event Website. Competitors should consult the official race committee Notice Board for final information.

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