

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

EASTERN YACHT CLUB

JULY 22 - 25, 2021 MARBLEHEAD, MA

SAILING WORLD AND MARBLEHEAD RACING ASSOCIATION (MRA) ARE THE CO-ORGANIZING AUTHORITIES FOR THIS REGATTA AND MRA WILL PROVIDE RACE MANAGEMENT. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL US SAILING SANCTIONED EVENT.

THE NOTATION '[NP]' IN A RULE MEANS THAT A BOAT MAY NOT PROTEST ANOTHER BOAT FOR BREAKING THAT RULE. THIS CHANGES RRS 60.1(A).

1. RULES

1.1 This regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 The J/105 Class has authorized the following changes to their class rules for this regatta: Allow limited (boom and spinnaker only) advertising.

1.3 Personal flotation shall be worn as required by class rules. Competitors should be aware that the race committee may display Flag "Y" in accordance with RRS 40.

1.4 For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Outside Help) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply.

1.5 The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.

2. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=13228

3.2 It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or other notices.

3.3 Emergency conditions shall be reported directly to the race committee on the assigned frequency for its line. Boats in need of assistance can also contact the Marblehead Harbor Master on VHF Channel (16). The Eastern and Corinthian Yacht Club Dockmasters will monitor VHF Channel (9). The Boston Yacht Club Dockmaster will monitor VHF Channel (68).

3.4 Division Channels are as follows:

Outside Line VHF 78
Tinkers Line VHF 71
Halfway Rock Line VHF 72

3.5 A boat may not protest another boat for breaking a class rule prohibiting the carrying of

VHF radios while racing. This changes RRS 60.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

4.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

4.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole yardarm at the Eastern Yacht Club, and as a courtesy at the Corinthian and Boston Yacht Clubs. Flag "AP" with two sound signals means "races have been postponed for all classes"; Flag "AP" over one or more Class Flags with two sound signals means "races have been postponed for the indicated Class(es)".

5.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in RRS Race Signals.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 It is the intent of the organizing authority and the race committee to run as many races as practical on each race day up to a maximum of 12 races for the regatta.

6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for each day of racing is 1200 EDT, except for the Town Class, whose first warning is no earlier than 1300.

6.3 No warning signal will be made after 1430 EDT on Sunday, July 25, 2021.

6.4 The IOD and Rhodes 19 classes will race Thursday thru Sunday

6.5 Town Class, Etchells, J/105, J/80, J/24, Viper 640, RS 21, and J/70, will race Friday

through Sunday.

6.6 Lasers will race Saturday and Sunday.

6.7 This schedule is subject to change pending final entries.

7. DIVISIONS, CLASS FLAGS, STARTING SIGNALS AND MARKS

7.1 Division splits, racing areas, initial starting order, and description of marks will be defined in SI Addendum 1.

7.2 Warning/Class flags for each class will be listed in Addendum 1.

7.3 Any and all subsequent starting orders will be at the discretion of the race officer for each racing line.

8. RACING AREA

Courses will be sailed offshore from Marblehead Neck, Salem Sound, and Massachusetts Bay.

9. COURSES

9.1 Courses are shown in Illustration A, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.2 The approximate compass bearing from the signal boat to Mark 1, and the designated course will be displayed in the forward rack of the race committee signal boat. The distance from the leeward mark to Mark 1 will be displayed in the aft rack of the race committee signal boat.

9.3 Gates: If a gate is not in place, boats shall round the existing leeward mark to port.

9.4 Offset mark: The offset mark will be the same color as Mark 1. An offset mark may not be set if there is a change of course

9.5 A green flag flown no later than five minutes before the start means "Mark 1 for the class about to start will be green. This applies to each rounding of Mark 1 by this class." (changes RRS 27.1 and race signals).

9.6 A pink flag flown no later than five minutes before the start means "Mark 1 for the class about to start will be pink. This applies to each rounding of Mark 1 by this class." (changes RRS 27.1 and race signals).

10. MARKS

10.1 Start and finish marks will be green tetrahedrons.

10.2 Except as provided for in SI 9.5 and SI 9.6, rounding marks will be:

Outside Line: orange tetrahedrons
Tinker's Line: yellow tetrahedrons
Halfway Rock Line: red tetrahedrons

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10.3 New marks, as provided in SI 12, are pink tetrahedrons. A subsequent change will revert to the original mark described in 10.2. However, a new green mark will be a green tetrahedron with a black band.

11. THE START

11.1 Boats are requested to check in with the race committee before their first start each day.

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 [DP] The starting area is defined as extending 100 yards beyond each end of the starting line and 150 yards behind the starting line and its extensions. Boats shall keep clear of the starting area and the first leg of the course until their warning signal has been made.

11.4 When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull is on the course side of the starting line or she must comply with RRS 30.1, the race committee shall attempt to identify her on the designated VHF channel.

12. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE WHILE RACING

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will set 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.

13. THE FINISH

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff on the race committee signal boat from which a blue flag is displayed and the course side of the nearby mark. For courses designating a downwind finish, the finishing mark will be placed on the side opposite that of the starting mark.

13.2 Competitors retiring shall report to the race committee before leaving the racing area if practicable. If unable to do so, competitors retiring shall report to the Eastern Yacht Club by calling the front desk (781) 631-1400 immediately after coming ashore.

14. PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Penalties while racing: US Sailing Prescription V1 (Penalty at the Time of the Incident) will apply.

14.2 Penalties after racing: RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

14.3 For the Town Class only, Appendix V1 is changed as follows: the final sentence is deleted.

15. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each class is two hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of THE first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), equal to the number of finishers in her class plus 2. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

16. HEARING REQUESTS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk at the Eastern Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is one hour after the docking of the race committee signal boat for the applicable line.

16.3 Protests will be heard at Eastern Yacht Club.

16.4 The times of protest hearings and the parties involved will be posted on the Official Notice Board

16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; or (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16.7 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.

17. SCORING

Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. One race will constitute a series.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

[DP] [NP] Each boat shall carry the following equipment: prescribed Coast Guard and class association safety equipment, a working VHF radio, Coast Guard approved visual signal for daytime use, and suitable anchor and line for the class and sailing area.

19. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

[DP] Viper 640s and Lasers may be hauled each day. All other classes shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee.

20. PRIZES

20.1 Prizes will be awarded by class.

20.2 Each class winner is eligible for the 2021 Helly Hansen Caribbean NOOD Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion of the event.

21. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA and MRA will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

22. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent.

23. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

COURSE DIAGRAMS

ILLUSTRATION A MRA STANDARD COURSES

