



BARRINGTON YACHT CLUB 2021 CHARLES V COX MEMORIAL SERIES Sailing Instructions (SI"s)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1) RULES

- a) The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- b) RRS Appendix V applies

2) CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a) Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1600 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.

3) COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- a) Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Yacht Scoring.com
- b) On the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- c) [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4) CODE OF CONDUCT

- a) [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5) SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- a) Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flag pole at the Barrington Yacht club.
- b) When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.
- c) Code flag "N" hoisted shall mean racing for that day has been canceled.
- d) The R/C intends to make the decision to cancel no later than 1700 hours of that day.

6) SCHEDULE OF RACES

- a) Series 1: May 18, 25, June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, July 6
- b) Series 2: July 12, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
- c) Fall Series: September 7, 14, 21, 28
- d) The Warning Signal for the first class to start each evening of racing will be at:
 - i) 1830 for all races prior to September 1, 2020
 - ii) 1815 for Fall Series
- e) One race is scheduled each evening,

7) CLASS FLAGS

- a) The class flags are:
 - i) Spinnaker - Pennant ONE
 - ii) One Design - J-29 Pennant TWO
 - iii) Non-spinnaker - Pennant 3.
 - iv) If any additional one design classes qualify the class flag and starting order will be promulgated prior to 1600 on the first day of racing that the additional class is qualified (5 or more).

8) RACING AREA

- a) The racing area is Northeastern quadrant of Narragansett Bay

9) COURSES

- a) Courses will either be drop mark courses or fixed Government mark courses or combinations thereof.
- b) For Drop Mark courses
 - i) The diagrams in SI Addendum B 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.
- c) For Government mark courses
 - i) Appendix A is a list of Government aids to navigation that may be used as marks of the course.
- d) No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg for drop mark courses, or the Government marks to be used in order to be rounded.

10) MARKS

- a) Marks are:
 - i) For drop mark courses
 - (1) inflatable marks.
 - (a) rounding marks: Orange inflated tetrahedron marks.
 - (b) Start/finish marks maybe Yellow inflated marks different in shape from rounding marks.
 - (c) The Start/finish mark may, however also be used as the leeward mark
 - (d) New marks, as provided in SI 12, are yellow inflated tetrahedron marks.
 - ii) For Government mark courses
 - (1) from the list in Appendix A

11) THE START

- a) Races will be started using RRS 26
- b) The starting line is between staff or halyard displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the one end and the course side of the starting mark at the other end..
- c) Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- d) If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a redress for request. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- e) A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

12) CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- a) 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.

13) THE FINISH

- a) The finishing line is between a staff or halyard displaying a blue flag on the finishing mark at one end and the course side of the finishing mark.
- b) If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she shall report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

14) PENALTY SYSTEM

- a) RRS 44.1 as modified by RRS V1 applies

15) TIME LIMITS

- a) If no boat in a class finishes within 2 1/2 hours of her class start, the race will be abandoned.

16) HEARING REQUESTS

- a) The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat has docked The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- b) Hearing request forms are available from the race office and on Yacht Scoring.com.
- c) Online protests are encouraged.
- d) Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- e) Hearings will be held in the Williams Room, at Barrington Yacht Club shortly after posting the notice of the hearing.
- f) RRS 62.2(a) and 66.2(a) do not apply.

17) SCORING

- a) Scoring shall be as described in the NoR.

18) SAFETY REGULATIONS

- a) [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

19) EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- a) A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, notice of race and sailing instructions.

20) OFFICIAL VESSELS

- a) Official vessels will be identified as follows: Flying “RC” flags, at least when setting up.

21) TRASH DISPOSAL

- a) Trash shall be retained onboard for proper disposal ashore after racing.

22) PRIZES

- a) Prizes will be given as listed in the NoR.

23) RISK STATEMENT

- a) 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. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**
- b) The race area utilizes navigable waters shared by commercial traffic and other stakeholders.
- c) The right of way of commercial traffic and other vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver is absolute.
- d) (NP) A commercial vessel sounding a danger signal (5 or more horn blasts) shall subject the offending boat to be protested by the Race Committee.