

FISHERS ISLAND YACHT CLUB
59th ANNUAL 'ROUND ISLAND RACE
Saturday, September 5, 2015
The Organizing Authority is Fishers Island Yacht Club.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- a. Races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions.
- b. Class rules will apply for all classes except as modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- c. The 'Round Island Race is a qualifying race for the Island Cup and is a points race on the ECSA Offshore Circuit.
- d. Appendix T, Sections A and B are in effect for this event.
- e. Rule T1 changes the first two sentences of **RRS 44.1** to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

2. Notices to Competitors

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Fishers Island Yacht Club and on the event page at www.YachtScoring.com.
- b. The Race Committee will communicate on VHF Channel 01A. Radio communications are for safety, convenience and courtesy only. Errors, or omissions that may result from such communications are not grounds for protest or redress. *This modifies Rule 60.*

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- a. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board at Fishers Island Yacht Club before 0900 on the day of the race and on YachtScoring.com.
- b. Changes may be broadcast on Channel 01A prior to the first Warning.

4. Schedule—

- a. The First Warning signal is scheduled at 1000 hours on Saturday, September 5, 2015.

5. Check In ---

- a. All boats shall check in with the Race Committee by passing the RC boat from stern to bow on the side opposite the starting line and be acknowledged prior to starting.

6. Classes—

- a. The assignment of yachts to classes, class flags, and order of start will be on the scratch sheet. Scratch sheets will be posted on event page at www.yachtscoring.com. Hard copies will also be available at FIYC after 1800 on Friday, September 4, and from a race committee launch in the starting area after 0900 on race day.

7. Courses— The course for each class shall be signaled with numeral pennant 1, 2, 3, or 4 prior to each class warning signal as follows:

- a. **Course 1: Around Fishers Island to Port;** leave the following buoys to Port: North Hill Bell (R-2), Race Point Nun (N-2), Lords Passage MOA (L), Wicopesset Rock Cans (C-7, C-9, C-11), Seal Rocks Can (C-15), Youngs Rock Can (C-17), Chocomount Can (C-1W), and Clay Point Can (C-5), then to Finish. Nun 2L at Lord's Passage must be left to starboard.
- b. **Course 2: Around Fishers Island to Starboard;** reverse course "1" leaving all marks to Starboard. Nun 2L may be ignored.
- c. **Course 3: Sound course;** North Hill Bell (R-2) to Port, Silver Eel Whistle (SE) to Starboard, Vixen Ledge Nun (28VL) to Starboard, Ram Island Bell (R20) to Port, Eel Grass Ground Nun (N-16) to Starboard, West Harbor East Channel Nun (N-2) to Starboard, Clay Point Can (C-5) to Port, then Finish.
- d. **Course 4: Sound course reverse;** Clay Point Can (C-5) to Starboard, West Harbor East Channel Nun (N-2) to Port, Eel Grass Ground Nun (N-16) to Port, Ram Island Bell (R20) to Starboard, Vixen Ledge Nun (28VL) to Port, Silver Eel Whistle (SE) to Port, North Hill Bell (R-2) to Starboard, then Finish.

8. Start/Finish Line—

- a. The Start/Finish line will be immediately north of West Harbor between an orange flag displayed on the Committee Boat and an inflatable buoy.
- b. If the RC boat is not on the line at the finish, boats shall finish according to the U.S. Prescription to Rule 34. Use GPS time.

9. The Start –

- a. The race will be started using Rule 26.
- b. No boat shall start later than 30 minutes after the starting signal for her class. *This changes Rule 26.*

10. Time Limit—

- a. The time limit for each boat will be six hours from the start of her class. Boats failing to finish within one hour after the first boat in their class finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "Did Not Finish." *This changes Rule 35.*
- b. Approximately five minutes after the time limit has expired for a class, the Race Committee may announce on VHF channel 01A whether any boat finished in that class.

11. Protests –

- a. Protests forms are available at the Fishers Island Yacht Club and shall be submitted there within one hour of the Race Committee boat docking.

12. Scoring –

- a. Results for one-design classes will be based on the order of finish.
- b. Results for handicap classes will be based on the Time on Time scoring method.

13. Prizes—

- a. Prizes will be awarded at the post race party at Fishers Island Yacht Club for first through third in each class that has at least three entrants. For handicap classes there is also a perpetual trophy for the Fishers Island Yacht Club member/skipper with the best corrected time.
- b. The Island Cup winners will also be announced.
- c. Launch service will be available in West Harbor after the race.
- d. Refreshments will be served as soon as possible after the racing at the Yacht Club.