



Stamford Yacht Club

Double-Handed Regatta

SPRING June 5th / FALL October 9th

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by the current PHRF Regulations as administered by the YRA of LIS, except as any of these may be altered by this Notice of Race or by the Sailing Instructions.

2. Notice to Competitors

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Yacht Scoring event page.
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15151>
- 2.2 Prior to the first signal of the day in which they take effect, changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Notice Board on YachtScoring, and may be provided and/or announced by the Race Committee over VHF Channel 05A.

3. Class Flags

All boats shall display from the backstay at least five feet above the deck, the numeral pennant corresponding to their class.

4. Starting Area

The starting area will be approximately 1.2 nm SW of the Red Bell "32."

5. Courses

- 5.1 At or prior to the first Warning Signal of the day, the course for the first class will be displayed. If the first mark is a mark set by the race committee, the top row on the course board is the compass direction and distance to that mark. The bottom row indicates the order of the marks to be rounded. It is the intention but not the obligation of the Race Committee to announce, via VHF Channel 05A, that day's course.
- 5.2 Courses for each succeeding class, if they are to change, will be posted no later than the Preparatory Signal. This modifies rule 27.1.

6. Marks

- 6.1 The marks of the course will be as designated on Attachment 1 "Mark Designations."
- 6.2 When "S" is a mark on the course, the Start/Finish Mark "S" and the Signal boat will serve as a gate. Upon returning from a signaled mark to "S," all boats **must** pass through the **gate** and proceed to the next signaled mark.
- 6.3 Regardless of what tack each boat is on, when two boats are approaching the gate from opposite directions, the one sailing downwind shall have the right of way. This modifies rules 10 and 11 under this situation only.
- 6.4 Except when passing through the gate (as defined in 6.2), all marks shall be rounded so that a boat's rhumbline course to the next mark does not cross the rhumbline course from the previous mark.
- 6.5 Before the start, or on the race course, when a temporary mark is being used as a mark of the course, the Race Committee shall display on a course board from the signal or mark boat the distance and compass course to that mark from the previous mark.

7. The Start

- 7.1 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying a orange flag on the Signal boat and the Start/Finish Mark. Before the starting line is set, all boats shall stay clear of the starting area.
- 7.2 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26, with the following modification: 5 minutes before the first warning signal for the **first class start only**, Code Flag "F" will be displayed with 1 sound signal; 1 minute before the warning signal, Code Flag "F" will be removed without sound.

8. Individual Recall

Rule 29.1 is hereby modified to allow that, in the event of an Individual Recall, the infringing boat(s) may be recalled by name or sail number, by loud hailer or over Channel 05A. Failure of an OCS boat to hear a recall announcement or failure of the RC to make such an announcement or the order in which announcements are made shall not be grounds for redress.

9. The Finish

- 9.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a orange flag on a Race Committee boat and the Start/Finish Mark unless the course is shortened per rule 32.
- 9.2 The race may be shortened at any mark of the course. If the race is intended to be shortened for one class(s) and not others, the appropriate code flag(s) for those class(s) will be displayed under the "S" flag.
- 9.3 The Race Committee boat may be stationed on either side of a finishing mark. Boats shall finish in the direction of the rhumbline (bearing) from the last turning mark.

10. Retirement

A boat retiring from a race must notify the Race Committee of her retirement, either by hail or VHF Channel 05A.

11. Time Limit

- 11.1 The time limit for any division's race will be five hours.
- 11.2 At the time limit, the Race Committee will announce the end of the day's racing.
- 11.3 Boats failing to finish by the time limit will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and shall be given one point more than the number of finishers. This modifies rule A4.2.

12. Protests

- 12.1 Immediately after finishing, either by hail or VHF Channel 05A, protesting boats are required to inform the Race Committee of their intent to file a protest.
- 12.2 Protests shall be filed in writing and delivered to the Race Committee within 60 minutes of the Race Committee's arrival at the dock. The protest time limit will be posted on the Notice Board on YachtScoring.
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15151>
- 12.3 To inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses, notices will be posted on the Notice Board on YachtScoring within 30 minutes of the protest time limit. Hearings will be held at Stamford Yacht Club the day the protest was filed.
- 12.4 In conformance with RRS 61.1(b), and to inform boats of protests received, notices will be posted as soon as practicable after receipt.

13. Scoring

- 13.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A4 will apply.
- 13.2 A PHRF W/L rating using time-on-time will be used to calculate a boats corrected time.
- 13.3 One race is required to constitute a regatta.
- 13.4 Ties shall be broken in favor of the boat with the lowest accumulated corrected time for all races scored. This modifies Appendix A8.
- 13.5 Both **SPRING** and **FALL** scoring will count towards an overall winner in both classes. Best corrected time for both **SPRING** and **FALL** races will count towards your final score.
- 13.5 Scoring for the YRA *Edward duMoulin Cup* will be posted on the YRA website (www.yralis.org).

14. Prizes

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded for each class that qualifies. A qualified class is any class that has three or more starters.
- 14.2 Day prizes will be awarded after each day's racing has been completed.
- 14.3 Best corrected time from both **SPRING & FALL** races will be used in determining the overall winners.
- 14.4 Overall winners awards will be presented at the Stamford Yacht Club awards dinner on October 23rd.

15. Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for damage or personal injury, or death sustained in connection with their participation in the regatta, including events occurring prior to, during, or after the regatta. The Skipper / Owner of each boat participating in the Double-Handed 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 any reasonable request of any Race Officer, Regatta Committee member, or their representatives, may result in disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta and future SYC events.

16. Social Event

If you would like to bring a guest to the barbeque after the days racing, one extra charge of \$20 per guest will be charged. Call the SYC front desk (203) 323- 3161 to make a reservation.

For additional information, please contact:

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ATTACHMENT 1 - MARK DESIGNATIONS

A - Bell "1", Little Captains Island East Reef

F - Green Gong "11B"

C - Red Nun "34" Greenwich Point

J - Red Bell "32-A" Mid Channel Buoy

E - Red/Green Can "E" Eaton's Neck

G - Green Gong "1" Stamford Harbor

H - Red Bell "32" The Cows

S - Start / Finish Mark (inflatable mark)

U - *Leeward Inflatable Mark*

I - Red Bell "28-C" Cable & Anchor Reef

L - Green Gong "15" Lloyd Point

W - *Windward Mark*

O - Green Bell "17" Oyster Bay

P - Green Can "19" Oak Neck

SYC Racing Chart

