

MUDHEAD BENEFIT CUP
Center for Hospice Care
Saturday, July 16, 2016
Non-Spinnaker Sailing Instructions

The Mystic River Mudhead Sailing Association is the Organizing Authority

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Regatta is governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2. RRS 44.1 is changed to read: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 33 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

- 2.1. Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board on the Yacht Scoring Events Page available online at mudhead.org.
- 2.2. Notices will also be placed on a Notice Board under the Sperry tent at Mystic Shipyard.
- 2.3. The Non Spinnaker Race Committee will communicate on VHF Ch. 71.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 on Saturday, July 16, except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before the change takes effect.
- 3.2. Changes may also be broadcast over VHF prior to the first warning.

4. THE COURSE

- 4.1. The marks of the course are designated in SI Appendix A and will be posted on the course board in order of rounding. Boats shall sail to the finish line after rounding the last posted mark.
- 4.2. The letter P (port) or S (starboard) will indicate which side to round the preceding posted mark(s).
- 4.3. The course may be shortened at any rounding mark by an RC boat displaying code flag "S". The finish line will then be between the "S" flag and the mark and shall be crossed from the direction of the previous mark.
- 4.4. Restrictions: Competitors must pass South of Nuns #22, #24 and #26 located near Groton Long Point. Competitors must not pass between Flat Hammock and South Dumpling Island.

5. CLASS FLAGS

- 5.1. Class flags will be the numeral pennants corresponding to the number designating each class on the Scratch Sheet posted on YachtScoring accessible at mudhead.org.

6. STARTING AREA

- 6.1. The Non Spinnaker Starting Area will originate .25 miles Southeast of Horseshoe Reef Nun26."
- 6.2. The RC Signal boat will be flying code flag Tango. Make sure you are on the correct circle.

7. THE START

7.1. The Warning Signal for the first class will be 11:55.

7.2. Starts will be run in accordance with RRS 26 as follows:

5 minutes Warning: Class Flag displayed – Sound

4 minutes Preparatory Flag (P) displayed – Short Horn

1 minute Prep Flag removed – Long Horn

0 Start Class Flag removed - Sound.

The Warning Signal for succeeding classes may be made at the start signal of the previous class.

7.3. The starting line will be between the orange flag on the RC boat and mark S/F.

7.4. The RC may attempt to notify early starters by sail number or boat name.

7.5. Redress for failure to announce any or all boats, the sequence or timing of the announcements, or failure of boats to receive them may only be requested by the RC. This changes RRS 62.1a.

8. THE FINISH

8.1. The Finish Line will be in the vicinity of the Starting Line.

8.2. Finishers shall pass between the Blue flag on the RC boat and the nearby buoy.

8.3. A boat that retires from the race shall notify the RC as soon as possible.

9. SCORING

9.1. One race is scheduled and shall constitute a series. No exclusions.

9.2. The Low Point Scoring System will be used based on corrected times.

9.3. The Time on Time Method will be used to calculate Corrected Times using the formula $TCF = 650 / (550 + PHRF)$.

10. PROTESTS

10.1. A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee after finishing.

10.2. Protests shall be made in writing and submitted to the Race Committee within 1 hour of the Committee boat docking.

10.3. The deadline for filing a protest and the outcome of all protests heard will be posted on the Notice Board in the Sperry tent and online at YachtScoring for this event.

11. PRIZE GIVING AND PARTY

11.1. All skippers and their crews are invited to enjoy live music, buffet dinner, a silent auction, a dunk booth and libations at the MegaParty at Mystic Shipyard in West Mystic beginning at 1700.

11.2. Trophies for class winners will be awarded as well as the Mudhead Benefit Cup to the team raising the most money for Center for Hospice Care.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

12.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race

SI Appendix A / Marks of Course (Lat/Lon is approximate)

B	Black Ledge	N "2BL"	41'18.02" 72'03.92"
E	Silver Eel Cove Mo"A"	SE	41'15.55" 72'02.22"
I	Intrepid Rock	C "DIR"	41'17.94" 72.00.24"
M	Mouth of Mystic River	C "1"	41'17.92" 71'59.42"
N	North Hill Bell	R "2"	41'16.79" 72'01.38"
R	Ram Island Bell	R "20"	41'18.19" 71'58.39"
V	Vixen Ledge	N "28VL"	41'18.33" 72'02.92"
W	West Harbor	FI R "6"	41'16.30" 72'00.33"
D/M	Drop Mark I	Inflatable Mark	Range & Bearing from RC
S/F	Start / Finish	Inflatable Mark	

* All positions approximate