

2011 Manhattan Regatta
May 14 to May 15, 2011

Organizing Authority
J/105 Fleet 10

Hosted by
Manhattan Sailing Club and J/105 Fleet 10
New York, NY

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the US SAILING prescriptions, and US J/105 Class Association Rules (CR), except the prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 regarding Protests, Redress, Hearings, Misconduct, and Appeals shall not apply.

1.1 Should there be a conflict between the sailing instructions and the Notice of Race (NOR), the sailing instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS rule 63.7.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the Manhattan Sailing Club floating classroom in the North Cove.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.

3.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted before 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3.3. Changes to these sailing instructions may be changed on the water via VHF Ch 69, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Manhattan Sailing Club Floating Classroom, The North Cove.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 45 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Signals.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 The actual number of races sailed each day will depend upon conditions. The RC will attempt to get three races per day.

5.2 All boats shall check in on the water with the race committee by sailing past the committee boat or WW with their mainsail hoisted prior to the warning signal for the first race of each day and prior to the first race following the signaling of N over H or AP over H.

5.3 Schedule: The warning signal for the first race on Saturday will be at 1155 followed by subsequent races. On Sunday the first warning signal will be at 1055.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flag will be J/105 Class flag.

7 RACING AREA

7.1 Attachment 2 shows the location of racing area.

7.2 Races will be held in Upper Hudson Bay. The start and finish of all races will be from the harbor clubhouse, which is permanently anchored north of Ellis Island. The Upper Hudson Bay is a commercial and recreational area; there will be ferries, barges, tugboats and other commercial and recreational vessels transiting the area.

7.3 Tide and Astronomical Information (at The Battery):

Day		High /Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Sunrise Sunset	Moon	Time	% Moon Visible
Sa	14	High	5:52 AM	4.8	5:40 AM	Set	3:26 AM	82
	14	Low	12:24 PM	-0.2	8:05 PM	Rise	5:07 PM	
Su	15	High	6:54 AM	4.9	5:39 AM	Set	4:01 AM	90
	15	Low	1:16 PM	-0.4	8:06 PM	Rise	6:23 PM	

8 THE COURSES

8.1 The diagrams in Attachment 3 show the courses. All turning mark rounds will be to port.

8.2 The Race Committee will announce the course over VHF CH 69 prior to warning signal.

8.3 Government Mark Courses: The start and finish will be from the Honorable William Wall, using government aids to navigation buoys.

8.4 Windward-Leeward. The start/finish area will be announced prior to the start of racing that day. The start and finish will be from an alternate committee boat (either Greyhound or Sea Wolf) and a yellow ball. The Mark 1 will be upward from the committee boat. Mark 2 will be set downwind of the committee boats. Races always sail to Mark 1 first.

8.5 The Round Governors Island Race. The Start and Finish of this race will be at the Honorable William Wall. Boats may take Governors Island in either direction (clockwise or counterclockwise).

8.6. If Courses are shorted, the course will be shorted by removing a leg of the course or by shortening the length of a leg. Course changes will be announced over VHF Ch 69. This changes RRS 32.

8.7. The Honorable William Wall is the Manhattan Sailing Clubs floating club house. It is located just north of Ellis Island and is shown on the course sheets.

9 MARKS

9.1 For the windward-leeward courses, Marks 1 and 2 will be orange inflatable cylindrical buoys, 4 feet high. For the government mark course, marks will be government aids to navigation buoys.

9.2 The starting and finishing marks will be a yellow sphere.

9.3 If there is course change that requires a new mark, that new mark will be a yellow inflatable cylindrical buoy, 4 feet high.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag aboard the Honorable William Wall or the alternate committee boat (Greyhound or Sea Wolf) and the starting mark.

10.2 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10.3 The Preparatory Flag "P" is changed to a solid green flag. This changes RRS 26.

11 RECALLS

11.1 The race committee may courtesy hail boats identified as on the course side at the start by sail number on VHF CH 69. Failure of a boat to hear a courtesy hail is not a basis for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

12.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee may 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

13.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Hon. William Wall (or alternate committee boat) and the course side of the finish mark.

14 PENALTY SYSTEM

14.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty unless the incident occurs in the Zone in which case the Two-Turn Penalty applies.

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 Time limit for each race will be two hours.

15.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course in accordance with RRS 28, and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available from the Manhattan Sailing Club Dockmaster aboard the Floating Classroom at the North Cove. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

16.2 Protest hearings will be held after each day of racing, near the Manhattan Sailing Club Floating Classroom. Parties to a protest should report to the Floating Classroom for further directions to the protest committee.

16.3 It is the responsibility of the parties to ensure that their witnesses are available when called to testify. If witnesses are not in the vicinity of the protest committee area when called, they may not be heard.

16.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b) on the official notice board.

16.5 On the last day of the regatta, rules 66, 62.2, and the US SAILING prescription to rule 62.2 are changed such that a request for reopening a hearing or a request for redress based on an action or omission of the jury shall be delivered within the protest filing deadline if the requesting party was informed of the decision the previous day; no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day; or no later than 30 minutes after a signal to abandon racing is displayed ashore.

16.6 Intention to protest for a rule of Part 2 and the boat being protested shall be signified to the Race Committee on the VHF Channel 69 at the finish of a race, until acknowledged by the Race Committee. This modifies rule 61.1(a).

16.7 The protest time limit in rule 61.3 is 30 minutes after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks. Notices will be posted to inform competitors of protest hearings in which they are parties as soon as possible after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held as soon as possible, approximately in the order received. Location and times will be posted.

16.8 Boats may not protest other boats for breaches of: retirement from race notification, safety equipment, and disposal of trash. The penalty for breaking these rules is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification. This changes rule 60.1(a).

17 SCORING

17.1 The scoring system will be the Low Point System and each boat's regatta score will be the total of that boat's scores in all the races. There will be no excluded races. This changes RRS A2.

17.2 All races raced will constitute the series.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 USCG Approved personal flotation devices (PFD) shall be worn at all times. This changes RRS rule 1.2.

18.2 Any boat withdrawing before the start or retiring a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on the race course VHF channel 69.

18.3 Security Zones – The USCG has established a 150-yard security zone around Ellis and Liberty Islands as shown in Attachment 4. Additionally there is a 100-yard security zone around all US Naval or Coast Guard vessels. These security zones are considered obstructions on the racecourse and no boat is allowed to sail inside the security zones. Boats found to be in the zone by the Race Committee will be immediately hailed by a race committee boat on VHF Ch 69 to notify them to move out of the zone and shall be required to immediately take a penalty turn of

720 degrees (to include two tacks and two gybes). Security Zones are marked with white buoys with orange bands and diamonds.

18.4 Weather Protocols – In accordance with the USCG Marine Event Permit, there may be no racing if the wind gusts to speeds greater than 25 knots, there is lightning, thunderstorms or visibility is less than 1 nautical mile. A race may be postponed or abandoned if any of these conditions exist. If a race is abandoned for weather, teams will be notified via VHF Ch 69 and may be directed to proceed to the North Cove.

19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

19.1 Substitution or repair of damaged or lost equipment must comply with or conform to the class rules and be approved by the J/105 Class Association Fleet 10 Measurer or his designee.

20 ADVERTISING

20.1 Pursuant to Class Rules 2.8 and ISAF Regulation 20, ISAF Advertising Code, including ISAF Regulation 20.5.6(a), no advertising shall be permitted on boats.

21 TRASH DISPOSAL

21.1 Boats shall not put trash in the water. Boats observed violating this rule shall be subject to protest by the race committee or judges.

22 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

22.1 All boats shall be launched by 1200 hours on May 12, 2011 and must remain in the water through the end of the regatta. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee, after consultation with the J/105 Class Association Fleet 10 Measurer or his designee.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATION

23.1 Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving on US VHF channels 9, 13, 16, and 69. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. Courtesy broadcasts to the fleet will be on VHF channel 69.

23.2 The courtesy broadcast channel may be changed on the water. Multiple courtesy broadcasts on channel 69 stating the change to the new channel will be made prior to the change.

23.3 Assistance from Race Committee - The Race Committee may respond to any questions from sailors even after the race has started and any such answers from the race committee will not be considered outside assistance.

24 PRIZES

24.1 Prizes: Regatta prizes will be awarded to the top 3 teams.

24.2 Prizes will be awarded at Manhattan Sailing Club Floating Club House, The North Cove.

Attachment 1: Racing Area: Will be published as a separate .pdf document on yachtscoring.com
Attachment 2: Courses: Will be published as a separate .pdf document on yachtscoring.com
Attachment 3: Security Zones

