

# 2012 NHYC Non-Calm Bowl June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Sailing Instructions

Newport Harbor Yacht Club

Organizing Authority: NHYC Junior Board of Directors

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- USCG approved PFD's shall be worn at all times by competitors while on the water, other than brief periods while adding or removing clothing. The 'Y' flag will not be flown. This modifies RRS 40 and the preamble to Part 4.

## 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located in the main hallway of the Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

## 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted not fewer than thirty (30) minutes before it will take effect.

#### 4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1 The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first race each day is 12:00 with subsequent races to follow.
- 4.2 No warning signal will be made after 16:30.

## 3. RACING AREA

- 3.1 The racing area will be in the harbor north of the main dock of NHYC.
- 3.3 Any boat that willfully makes contact with a moored boat at any time while afloat may be subject to protest.

## 4. COURSES AND MARKS

- 7.1 Course descriptions will be provided in Appendix A.
- 7.2 All turning marks will be **GREEN** inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 7.2 The starting and finishing marks will be **GREEN** inflatable tetrahedrons.
- 7.2 The starting/finishing line marks are not marks of the course except when starting or finishing.
- 7.3 All marks *are* to be left to port unless otherwise indicated.

## 5. START/FINISH

- 5.1 All races will be started using RRS Appendix S.
- 5.2 The start/finish line will be between a staff with an orange flag on the R/C signal boat at the starboard end and the nearby start/finish *mark*.
- 5.5 The order of start will be: Sabot A/B, Sabot C1, Sabot C2, Sabot C3, Sr. Sabot or as stated by the R/C.
- The R/C reserves the right to combine classes for the purpose of starting. This will be communicated via a notice on the Official Notice Board prior to the competitors' meeting.
- 5.7 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area; boats that fail to comply with this instruction may be subject to protest.

## 6. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each class to *finish* will be one (1) hour. Boats failing to finish within ten (10) minutes after the first boat in their class finishes will be scored points equal to the number of finishers in the race plus one. The scoring abbreviation TLE (Time Limit Expired) shall be used for recording this circumstance. This changes RRS 35, A4.1 and A11.

## 7. PROTESTS

- 7.1 RRS 61.1 is changed by adding this sentence: "When a boat intends to protest she shall notify the R/C at the finish line."
- 7.2 All protests shall be submitted in writing. Forms are available at the Protest Desk located in the Trophy Room at NHYC. Protest forms shall be delivered to the Protest Desk no later than thirty (30) minutes after the R/C signal boat has returned to the dock. That time will be posted.
- 7.3 Protests will be heard as soon as possible, in the order determined by the protest committee.
- 7.4 Protests will be open to observers during the finding of evidence at the discretion of the protest committee. Witnesses will not be allowed to observe. Observers will be instructed at the beginning of a hearing as to the rules they must follow. Failure to follow these rules will be cause for dismissal from the Protest Room.
- 7.4 Only the Skipper may represent his or her boat in a hearing. No coach or other party may represent a boat or file a protest on her behalf. This changes RRS 63.It is the responsibility of each boat involved to be ready and have witnesses available when the hearing is called.
- 7.5 Trash and garbage may not be discharged into the waters of Newport Harbor. Competitors observed to do so may be protested by the R/C and may also be subject to such penalties as prescribed by local, state and federal environmental regulations.
- 7.6 The penalty, if any, for breaking sailing instruction 8, discharging trash or garbage, breaking a class rule or a measurement rule shall be at the discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.1(a).
- 7.7 RRS 66 is changed by adding this sentence: "On the last day of racing, a party to the hearing may ask for a reopening no later than thirty (30) minutes after being informed of the decision."

## 8. COMPETITOR SUPPORT

- 8.1 Team leaders, coaches and other support personnel (including family members) shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to the start until all boats have *finished* or the R/C signals a postponement, general recall, or abandonment.
- 8.2 Competitors in Sabot A, B, C1 and C2 divisions shall not receive any advice, instruction, or other type of assistance (including positive reinforcement), except as provided for in RRS 41, while racing.

## 9. SCORING

- 9.1 Two (2) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 When four (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

## 10. TROPHIES

- 10.1 Trophies will be presented at NHYC as soon as possible after the last race on Saturday June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- 10.2 The Non Calm Bowl Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the largest fleet. In the event of even entries between fleets, the winner of the most advanced fleet will be awarded the trophy.

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