



THE QUEENS CUP

The Women's Championship of Long Island Sound

Saturday, July 9, 2016

Organizing Authority: Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound

Hosted by: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Rule 60.1(a) is changed such that a boat is not permitted to protest another boat for an alleged breach of a rule requiring class membership.

2.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front porch of American Yacht Club.

3.0 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Written change(s) to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it/they will take effect; oral changes may be made on the water per Rule 90.2(c).
- 3.2 If there is a change to the sailing instructions while ashore, flag L will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat. If a change is made on the water, flag L will be displayed from the signal boat until one minute prior to the warning of the race to which the change(s) will apply.

4.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 Minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" after the drop of Code Flag AP ashore. This changes Race Signals AP.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday, July 9

0900 – 0930 Registration

0930 – Competitors' meeting

1045 – Warning signal for first race

1630 – No warning will be made after this time

The Race Committee will start as many races as the Race Committee deems appropriate.

Presentation of Awards will be made as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the series.

6.0 CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag will be Numeral Pennant 1.

7.0 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the waters south of American Yacht Club.

8.0 COURSES

8.1 The course for each race will be either

A. windward-leeward for a specified number of legs. Unless the course has been shortened, the Start/Finish mark is also the leeward mark.

OR

B. windward-leeward-finish for a specified number of legs. The start/finish line will lie between the leeward mark and windward mark, There is no restriction on crossing the start/finish line on the leg from the windward to leeward mark.

8.2 The signal boat will display code flag A if course A is to be sailed or code flag B if course B is to be sailed along with the number of legs, magnetic bearing, and range in nautical miles and tenths to the windward mark.

9.0 MARKS

9.1 All marks of the course will be orange tetrahedrons.

9.2 In the event of a change of course, the new mark will be a yellow tetrahedron. If there is a second course change the original mark will be used. Subsequent course changes will follow this pattern.

10.0 THE START

10.1 Races will be started as follows: the warning signal will be made three minutes before the starting signal, and the preparatory signal will be made two minutes before the starting signal. This changes rule 26.

10.2 The Race Committee will endeavor to make several courtesy sound signals one minute prior to commencing a starting sequence.

10.3 The starting line will be between a staff displayed on an orange flag on the signal boat and an orange tetrahedron.

10.4 A boat starting later than three minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes Rule A4.

11.0 THE FINISH

Unless the course has been shortened, the finishing line will be between a staff displayed on an orange flag on the signal boat and an orange tetrahedron.

12.0 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12.2 Boats taking a penalty turn shall report that fact to the Race Committee promptly after finishing that race.

13.0 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 45 minutes after the start.
- 13.2 The time limit for the first boat to round the first mark will be 20 minutes after the start.
- 13.3 Boats failing to finish within ten minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE). This changes rule A4.2.

14.0 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 As soon as possible after finishing, boats shall notify the Race Committee of their intent to protest including the sail number of the protested boat.
- 14.2 Protest forms are available at the jury desk (outside the library in the main clubhouse) and shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 14.3 The protest time limit is 30 minutes from the time the signal boat docks, which will be posted on the Official Notice Board. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and to requests for redress. This changes Rule 61.3 and 62.2.
- 14.3 Notices of hearings will be posted promptly after the protest time limit.
- 14.4 Protests will be heard promptly after the protest time limit in the library in the main clubhouse.
- 14.5 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final in accordance with rule 70.4

15.0 SCORING

- 15.1 The Low Point scoring system will apply.
- 15.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.3 If fewer than 6 races are completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her race scores. If 6 or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the sum of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes Appendix A2.
- 15.3 Boats scored TLE will be given points equal to the number of finishers within the time limit plus 2 points, but will not be scored worse than DNF.

16.0 PRIZES

Prizes will be presented at the Awards Ceremony to be held at American Yacht Club as soon as practicable after racing. Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers.

17.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 4 "Decision to Race"; that American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and sponsors will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of

them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and/or sponsors, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other American Yacht Club vessels, or patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant.