

# 2015 Fall Series at Target Rock Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club Masthead Cove Yacht Club Saturday, October 10, 2015



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:
  - 1.1.1. The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016;
  - 1.1.2. Current class rules for one-design fleets;
  - 1.1.3. The current PHRF regulations, as administered by YRA of Long Island Sound (YRALIS) including non-spinnaker regulations and crew weight limitations;
  - 1.1.4. Current Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of YRALIS, Category C;
  - 1.1.5. The RRS will be changed as noted in these instructions.

# 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats of PHRF and One-Design classes.
- 2.2. Eligible boats can enter and electronically pay the entry fee using the online registration at www.lhyc.org, following the link to the Race Information page.
- 2.3. Boats shall enter in only one class. If less than four entries are received for any one-design class, they will be entered in an appropriate PHRF class, unless they wish to withdraw their entry.

# 2.4. SPINNAKER FLEET

2.4.1. To race in the PHRF spinnaker fleet, a boat must possess a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, or a valid one-design certificate, or receive a temporary waiver and LHYC handicap rating from the LHYC Fleet Captain.

### 2.5. NON-SPINNAKER FLEET

- 2.5.1. To race in the Non-Spinnaker fleet, a boat must have either a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, or a Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club handicap rating.
- 2.6. No boat shall make any change during the regatta which would affect its rating.

# 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the LHYC web site (www.lhyc.org) shall be broadcast on VHF Channel 72 prior to the first warning signal.

### 4. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 hours on October 10 on the LHYC website (http://www.lhyc.org/) and announced prior to the first warning signal on VHF Ch. 72, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 hours on October 9.

# 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1. No signals will be made ashore.

### 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. Racing is scheduled for Saturday, October 10, 2015.
- 6.2. The scheduled time for the first warning signal 1100 hours EDT.
- 6.3. Up to three races may be held, conditions permitting, at the sole discretion of the race

committee.

- 6.4. Additional races shall be signaled by the display of the code flag "R", hoisted prior to the finish of the race. The code flag "R" displayed by itself at the finish of any race indicates there will be another race for all classes. A numeral pennant(s) displayed below the code flag "R" indicates an additional race will be held for those classes only. The next race for any class may begin even though other classes may still be racing.
- 6.5. If the race committee will not be starting the classes for subsequent races in numerical order, then no less than five minutes before its warning signal, the identity of the next class to start will be announced on VHF Channel 72.
- 6.6. No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

# 7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. The number of classes and the class assignment for each boat will be made at the discretion of the regatta committee and indicated on the Scratch Sheet.
- 7.2. Scratch Sheets will be available on the LHYC website no later than 2100 hours October 9 and from the race committee boat(s) conditions permitting.
- 7.3. Classes will be designated by numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.). Class flags will be numeral pennants.
- 7.4. Each boat may display the numeral pennant for its class on its backstay or, in the absence of a backstay, from its stern.
- 7.5. Boats wishing to change class, e.g., spinnaker to non-spinnaker, shall notify the race committee prior to the first warning signal of the first race of their class. The race committee will announce any such changes on VHF Channel 72.

## 8. RACING AREAS

- 8.1. Rendezvous will be made in the vicinity north of Bell 8, but no further than one mile north of Nun 6 off Lloyd Neck.
- 8.2. The race committee shall announce the approximate position of the starting area on VHF Channel 72 at approximately 1030 hours.
- 8.3. All boats shall identify themselves to the race committee by sailing past the stern of the committee boat on starboard tack with mainsail hoisted prior to the first warning signal.

### 9. COURSES

- 9.1. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will post the course using letters to signal the turning marks listed below.
- 9.2. Courses I, II, and III (if needed) will be displayed. Each class will be assigned to one of the courses.
- 9.3. REFER TO THE SCRATCH SHEET FOR YOUR CLASS COURSE ASSIGNMENT!
- 9.4. Marks will be rounded in the order indicated from top to bottom. Letters will be either red or green with a red letter indicating a mark to be left to port and a green letter a mark will be left to starboard. If a numeral is posted, the course letters above it shall be sailed that many times around before continuing with the remaining marks.

### 10.MARKS

10.1. Marks are as indicated below and as displayed on Illustration A

ID	Mark Location	ID	Mark Location
Α	Bell "8" at entrance to Huntington Bay	M	Can "13" off Eaton's Neck Point
В	Nun "6" off Lloyd Neck	R	Flasher "1" off Sand City at entrance to Northport Bay
D	Nun "4" off Lloyd Neck	T	Flasher "1" off entrance to Huntington Harbor
E	Nun "2" off Lloyd Neck	W	Inflatable approximate magnetic bearing and distance to windward in nautical miles of the
F	Gong "15" off Lloyd Point		starting line will be displayed on the signal boat and may be announced on VHF channel 72
J	Mid Sound buoy "28C" Cable and Anchor Reef		
K	"11B" Mid-Sound, off Eaton's Neck	Υ	Inflatable south of line connecting marks "R" and "T"
L	Green/Red Can NNW of Eaton's Neck Point	Z	Inflatable no more than 1 mile to leeward of the signal boat

- 10.2. Government marks Bell 8, Nuns 2, 4 and 6 used as aids to navigation along the north shore of Lloyd Neck must be observed unless designated as marks that begin, bound or end the leg of the course the competitor is on. This changes RRS 28.2.
- 10.3. All other government and private aids, when not designated as marks of the course, may be disregarded at the discretion of the skipper.

### 11.THE START

11.1. Races will be started according to RRS 26.

Sample start sequence assuming an 11:00 first signal.

Note: A break in sequence could occur between any or all classes:

CLASS	TIME	ACTION	SOUND	VISUAL SIGNAL
1	11:00	Class 1 warning	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag displayed
	11:01	Class 1 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:04		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
2	11:05	Class 1 start &	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag removed
		Class 2 warning		Class 2 flag displayed
	11:06	Class 2 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:09		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
3	11:10	Class 2 start &	Horn/Gun	Class 2 flag removed
		Class 3 warning		Class 3 flag displayed

Sequence repeated until all classes have started.

- 11.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and a pin with an orange flag bearing a black "X".
- 11.3. The race committee will attempt to identify OCS boats and broadcast their sail numbers via VHF Channel 72. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification, and the timing and order of such hail, shall not be cause for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.
- 11.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- 11.5. Any boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS rules A4.2 and A5.

11.6. If the automated starting system is used, i.e., the Ollie System, racers should be aware of the short, repetitive sounds emitted prior to the initial warning signal and not consider them part of the starting sequence.

# 12. CHANGE OF COURSE

12.1. A change of course after posting or the start will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a race committee boat displaying flag C and making three sound signals. The change will be announced on VHF channel 72 and will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg. This changes RRS 33.

# 13.THE FINISH

13.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the port end and the course side of a mark on the starboard end.

# **14.TIME LIMIT**

- 14.1. If no boat in a class finishes within three hours of the start of that class, the race for that class will be abandoned.
- 14.2. Boats failing to finish by 1700 hours will be scored Did Not Finish.
- 14.3. Any boat failing to finish within 30 minutes plus her time allowance from the finish of the first boat in her class will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS 35, A4.2 and A5.

### 15. PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT

15.1. A boat that may have broken a rule of RRS Part 2 outside the 3-length zone of any rounding or finishing mark, may take a One-Turn Penalty. For a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the Zone of any rounding or finishing mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. This changes rule 44.1.

### 16. PROTESTS

- 16.1. Notices of protests by the race committee will be made via VHF Channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.2. Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman: Mr. Michael Sterflinger, 220 Taylor St, Centerport NY 11721. Protests may be delivered in person, by e-mail to msterf@gmail.com. Protests shall be delivered by 21:00 hours on the day that racing occurs. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they observe in their racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3. Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly and posted on the LHYC website to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. A protest against a boat whose representative has not announced his intention to attend the hearing, or who fails to attend the hearing, will be heard without representation from the protested boat as provided by RRS 63.3(b).
- 16.4. Decisions of the protest committee will be final as stated in RRS 70.5.

### 17. SCORING

- 17.1. Time allowances will be as per YRALIS PHRF procedures using time on distance and will be based on the course distance as calculated by the race committee, regardless of the distance sailed.
- 17.2. Each class will be scored separately in each race with the Low Point Scoring System.
- 17.3. One completed race shall constitute a series.
- 17.4. No scores will be discarded. This changes RRS A2.

### 18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to extend the right-ofway to commercial vessels, especially those restricted in their ability to maneuver, or making passage through the racing area. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the race committee.
- 18.2. A boat withdrawing before the start or retiring from a race for any reason is requested to notify the race committee by VHF Channel 72 at the earliest possible opportunity.

### 19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1. 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.
- 19.2. The race committee shall use VHF Channel 72 for any radio communications with competitors. As an additional courtesy, radio prompts may be given to preface any actions by the race committee. Boats shall not be entitled to redress for the following: misstatements by the race committee, or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast.

# 20. PRIZES

- 20.1. Prizes will be awarded as follows for each class: First if three or more competitors, Second if five or more and Third if seven or more.
- 20.2. The Go Fast Bucket Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the best performing boat belonging to a Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club member competing in the spinnaker fleet, as determined by the Regatta Committee by using the Cox-Sprague scoring system and based upon class placement.
- 20.3. The Double Ender Trophy will be awarded to the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club boat participating in the Spring and Fall Series with the best combined score, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.
- 20.4. This is a qualifying race for North Sail's Huntington Bay Boat of the Year Trophy. Participation earns two points
- 20.5. The Huntington Sail Makers' Cup, a perpetual trophy, will be awarded to the best performing Masthead Cove Yacht Club spinnaker boat in the Spring and Fall Series.
- 20.6. The Coneys' Cup, a perpetual trophy, will be awarded to the best performing Masthead Cove Yacht Club non-spinnaker boat in the Spring and Fall Series.

# 21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk - See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Visit the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club Web Site at www.LHYC.org for results, scratch sheets, etc.





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# **Illustration A**

