



H Class National Championship Regatta
Shelter Island Yacht Club
12 Chequit Avenue, Shelter Island Heights, NY 11965
July 28-30 2017

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020) including US Sailing Prescriptions, the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions and any amendments.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors and changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Regatta Bulletin Board in the SIYC Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the Racing Schedule will be posted on the Regatta Bulletin Board before the Harbor Start each day.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the SIYC club flagpole.
4.2 In the event of a postponement made ashore (“AP”) the First Warning Signal will be no sooner than 45 minutes after the end of the postponement. *This changes RRS Race Signals.*

5 SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The racing schedule is as follows:

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Friday, July 28	1100	Registration	Yard
	1200	Junior Skippers’ meeting	Front Lawn
	1300	First warning signal	
		No Warning Signal After 1500	
	1600	Awards at SIYC following the last race	Front Lawn

Class Championship, Day 1

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Saturday July 29	930	Skippers’ Meeting	Yard
	1030	Harbor Start	
	1230	First warning signal	
		No Warning Signal after 1800	

Class Championship, Day 2

Date	Time	Activity	Location
Sunday, July 30	930	Skippers meeting	South Deck
	1030	Harbor Start	
	1230	First warning signal	
		No Warning Signal after 1600	
	Following last race	Awards Ceremony and BBQ	Front Lawn

6 COMMUNICATIONS

- 6.1 The RC will communicate with competitors using VHF channel 68. Competitors are urged to monitor channel 68 during the regatta. Radio communications are for safety, convenience and courtesy. Only the RC may request redress for errors, omissions, or misunderstandings resulting from such communications. *RRS 60 is changed.*

7 STARTING LOCATION AND LINE

- 7.1 LOCATION: Racing locations will be at the discretion of the Race Committee in the waters in and around Shelter Island
- 7.2 **LINE: The start/finish line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and a nearby mark or pin boat. The start/finish mark may be a different color than the course marks.**
- 7.3 MID-LINE BUOY: A mid-line buoy may be used. A mid-line buoy is a reference point only. It is not a mark of the line or course or an obstructions and may be touched without penalty.

8 RACE COMMITTEE SIGNALS

- 8.1 CLASS FLAG: Will be a black letter 'H' on a white background
- 8.2 ADDITIONAL RACES: An additional race will be indicated by the 2nd Substitute flag displayed on the committee boat at the finish of a race.
- 8.3 END OF DAY: Code Flag "AP" over "A" with 2 sounds signals means all races not sailed today are postponed.
- 8.4 END OF REGATTA: Code Flag "N" over "A" with 3 sound signals means all races not sailed are abandoned; the regatta is ended.

9 START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals. The absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Signal	Time	Sound	Visual
Warning	5 minutes	1 blast	Class flag hoisted
Preparatory	4 minutes	1 blast	P, I, U, Z, or Z with I
One-minute	1 minute	1 long blast	Preparatory flag removed
Start	Zero	1 blast	Class flag lowered

10 RECALLS

- 10.1 As a courtesy the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast the sail numbers of the OCS boats on VHF channel 68.
- 10.2 Only the RC may request redress for failure to announce any or all OCS boats, the manner of hailing, failure of a boat to hear a hail, the sequence and timing of announcements, or any other issue arising from this procedure. *RRS 60 is changed.*

11 THE COURSE

- 11.1 TYPE: See Course Sheet 3,4,5 and G
- 11.2 SIGNAL: The course signal will be a white flag with a blue numeral or letter.
- 11.3 DESIGNATION: Distance and bearing to the first mark will be displayed on the committee boat.

12 PROTESTS

- 12.1 PROTEST FLAGS: Are required. *This changes RRS 61.1 (a) (2),*
- 12.2 NOTIFICATION: A protesting yacht must notify the Race Committee upon finishing its race.
- 12.3 TIME LIMIT: Protests shall be filed at the SIYC Clubhouse within 30 minutes of the arrival of the RC to the Sailing Center.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the Racing Rules of Sailing, will apply, except that a boat's series score shall be the sum of her scores for all races.
- 13.2 MAXIMUM: A maximum of 6 races will be sailed for the Championship.
- 13.3 **MINIMUM: 2 completed races will constitute a regatta.**