

**Sailing  
Instructions  
Blackbeard  
Cup  
Regatta**



**Sept 30th, Oct 1  
2017  
Blackbeard Sailing  
Club New Bern,  
North Carolina**

**1. RULES**

- a) The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- a) Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board, the glass panels on the deck of the BSC Clubhouse.

**3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- a) Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- a) Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the Clubhouse deck.
- b) When flag AP is displayed ashore, 'one minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Saturday Sept 30

0800 Late registration close  
0900 Competitors' meeting  
1055 First warning signal.  
Other races to follow

Sunday Oct 1

0955 First warning signal  
Other race(s) to follow  
1300 No warning signal after this time.

**6. CLASS FLAGS**

- a) The Ensign One Design class will use the Ensign insignia.
- b) The San Juan One Design Class will use numeral 8 flag.
- c) The flags for the PHRF classes will be posted on the ONB and announced at the Competitors' meeting.

**7. THE COURSES**

- a) No later than the class warning signal, the race committee will designate the course to be sailed in a course board located on the starboard side of the Signal boat. Letters and/or numbers in red are to be left to port, those in green to starboard.

**8. MARKS**

- a) A displayed number indicates the corresponding government mark
- b) Inflatable marks will be large (~ five foot) yellow or orange triangles or cylinders.
- c) When numbers "19 or "2" are used an inflatable offset mark near the corresponding government mark should be rounded, not the Government mark
- d) "18" indicates an inflatable set approximately midway between "17" and "19"
- e) "R/C" indicates the race committee (Start / Finish line).

- f) "W" indicates a separately set windward mark. If "W" is used the approximate compass course to the windward mark will be announced on the VHF radio.
- g) "M" indicates the mark at the pin end of the Start/Finish line
- h) "L" indicates a separately set leeward mark.
- i) "G" indicates a gybe or wing mark set approximately midway between the windward and leeward mark and offset by approximately half of the distance between windward and leeward marks.

#### 9. THE START

- a) The races will be started by using Rule 26
- b) The starting line will be between a staff, on the Signal boat, displaying an orange flag and the course side of the starting mark.

#### 10. THE FINISH

- a) The finish line will be between a staff, on the Race Committee boat, displaying an orange flag and the course side of the finishing mark.

#### 11. TIME LIMITS

- a) There will be a time limit for each race of 90 minutes. If one boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit other boat shall finish within 30 minutes or be scored TLE with points equal to the number of finishers in her class plus 2 without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A4 and A5.

#### 12. PROTESTS

- a) Protest time will start when the Signal Boat docks and sounds a horn. Any protest shall be delivered to the PRO within 60 minutes of that horn.

#### 13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- a) The R/C will monitor and attempt to broadcast on **channel 67** to keep the competitors informed of general race information, class starting sequence, start count downs, premature starters, etc.

#### 14. SCORING

- a) There will be one throw out when 5 races have been completed.
- b) The PHRF classes will be scored Time on Time with a time Correction Factor of  $650 / (550 + \text{PHRF})$ .

#### 15. AWARDS

- b) There will be approximately one award given for every three boats entered in each class.

#### 16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and shall be adequately self insured or covered by third party insurance. 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 each day's racing.