

2020 BELLPORT BAY YACHT CLUB SPRING, SUMMER & FALL SERIES

Sailing Instructions

Spring Series Register online: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20700 Time:

Thursday: May 28, June 4, 11, 18, 25, July 2, 9

Summer Series Register online: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20701 Time:

Thursday: July 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13, 20, 27

Fall Series Register online: http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20702 Time:

Saturday: Sept 12, 26, Oct 3
Saturday Sept 19 & Sunday Sept 20 Long Distance Races
1100

Abandoned races will not be re-sailed.

1. ENTRIES:

Eligible yachts may enter by completing registration online for the series and signing check in sheet in the clubhouse 1/4 hour before the warning gun. Eligible competitors shall be BBYC members or guests with a current handicap measurement form on file. Helms person shall sign full name on check in sheet. Only BBYC members are eligible for season trophy. No Entry Fee.

2. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The Bellport Bay Yacht Club, Officers, and Members 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.

3. RULES

The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, will govern the races except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions. All single-handed sailors shall wear a life jacket at all times. Handicapping will be done using the PHRF system based upon handicaps determined by the <u>BBYC</u> handicap committee. A copy of the sailing instructions will be available at registration before each race.

- **4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** will be posted on the official notice board located inside the yacht club. Any change will be posted 30 minutes before the start of the race in which it will take effect, and shall be posted only by the race committee chairperson or officer of the club.
- 5. SIGNALS as per RRS 26 AND COURSE SIGNALS will be flown from the yacht club porch, crow's nest, or RC boat.

6. MARKS:

The BBYC MARKS A, B, and H are ORANGE AND WHITE BARRELS.

MARK C = R #6, MARK D = R #4, MARK E = R #2, and MARK F = FLG #1 are government marks.

7. COURSES:

- 7.1 The start and finish lines for all yachts will be between buoy "A" and the "orange cylinder" on the dock in front of the yacht club. In this case the signals will be on the club porch or crow's nest.
- 7.2 Or the start line will be between the "RC flag" on the RC boat and the "red ball" at the pin end. Then signals will be on the RC boat. The RC boat may be the club whaler.
- 7.3 In both cases, letters corresponding to those on the Course Chart will signal the course. Marks must be turned in the order signaled and rounded on the side indicated by the color of the letter posted.
- **8. START** signals will be displayed as per RRS 26 in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020. The distance races September 21 and 22 may use a different starting system.

9. WITHDRAWAL:

In order to account for all starters, a yacht withdrawing shall make every effort to report to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

10. TIME LIMIT for the first boat to finish will be 1 3/4 hours. Any boat not finished after 2 1/4 hours will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) 1 more place than the last boat to finish. The time limit for the distance race is 5 hours. Boats not finishing within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) 1 more place than the last boat to finish.

11. SCORING:

- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A of the racing rules will apply. Appendix A2 is changed by these sailing instructions as follows: if 5 races are sailed there will be no throw outs. If 6 races are sailed there will be one throw out. If 7 races are sailed there will be 2 throw outs. One race scored will constitute a Series. App. J, J1.2 (14).
- 11.2 No series score will be calculated for any yacht not registered, or any yacht not displaying proper sail numbers.
- 11.3 To qualify for the Series Scoring, a Yacht must race in at least 50% of Races Scored in the Series. To be scored in a race a Yacht must be within 100 yards of the Start Line within a Time Window of 15 Minutes before or after the Start Time for her Race. A Yacht not being within that distance of the Start Time within the Time Window will be NOT be Scored for that Race and will not have that Race count as a Qualifying Race for the Series.
- 11.4 The Minimum number of yachts appearing in the Starting Area required to Start a Race as defined in NOR 7.4 shall be TWO. Appendix J2.2 (36).

12. PROTESTS:

- 12.1 Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Committee and filed within the Protest Filing Time Period that ends at the Warning Signal of the Next Race in that Series.
- 12.2 Notice of protest hearings will be posted on the official bulletin board.

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