HYANNIS YACHT CLUB REGATTA July 30 - August 1, 2010 Sailing Instructions

The Hyannis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.

1. Rules

This Regatta shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. Entries

Eligible boats may be entered by completing on-line registration with the Hyannis Yacht Club, together with all other appropriate forms and fees, no later than the registration deadline. Any boat whose registration is not complete, including fees, by the registration date will not be scored.

3. Owner's Responsibility

The owners of each boat shall accept full responsibility for the conduct of each member of his/her boat and guest(s). The skipper has sole responsibility for the safety of his/her crew and each participant is responsible for deciding whether it is safe to participate.

4. Hyannis Shipping Channel

Special Instructions for Leaving and Returning to Hyannis Yacht Club during the Hyannis Yacht Club Regatta. This instruction applies to all 420's. Lasers, and Laser Radials.

Leaving the Harbor: all boats must remain on the West side of the Hyannis Harbor Channel until they pass to the west of green can channel marker #5.

Returning to the Harbor: all boats shall sail to the west side of the Hyannis Harbor Channel beginning at green can channel marker #5. In the vicinity of Dunbar Point there will be 2 inflatable buoys set as a gate. Boats shall not fly spinnakers after passing through the gate. In the case of excess boat traffic in the channel area, patrol boats may direct competitors to remain in the area of the gate until directed to pass through the gate.

At absolutely no point are any competitors to sail in the Hyannis Harbor Channel. Failure to comply with this instruction will subject any competitor to protest by the Race Committee. THE PENALTY FOR

<u>VIOLATING THIS SAILING INSTRUCTION IS DISQUALIFICATION FROM</u> THE COMPETITOR'S BEST RACE OF THE DAY.

5. Notices to Competitors

Official Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board, located in the Scudder Room of the Yacht Club. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check this board for information. Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted two (2) hours before the first warning signal of the day it will take effect, except any change to the location of the Race Circles. Any change to the schedule will be posted by 1800 hours on the day before the change.

6. Signals Made Ashore

Harbor Start: The Race Committee will make one (1) sound signal signifying the Harbor Start for all classes at 1130 hours on Friday and 0930 hours on Saturday and Sunday. All boats should be underway towards their respective starting areas at this signal.

The Race Committee will not delay the start of the day's first race for boats that are late to the starting line.

Postponement: Postponement of the Harbor Start will be signaled by two (2) sound signals and the display of "AP" (Answering Pennant) from the HYC Flag Staff located on the dock. The lowering of the "AP" flag will be accompanied by one (1) sound signal. The next warning signal will be no earlier than one (1) hour from the lowering of the "AP" flag. This changes "Race Signals"

"L" Flag: Certain weather and logistical conditions may necessitate moving race circle locations and/or canceling races for some or all of the classes. In this event, flag "L" will be displayed at the harbor start signal. Competitors must then consult the Official Notice Board for the status and starting location of each class.

7. Courses

The diagram in Appendix #2, Chart shows the courses and their configurations. In the event the Race Committee elects to set a gate, boats shall pass between the gate marks from the direction of the last mark, rounding either mark before proceeding to the next mark. All single marks shall be left to port.

8. The Start

8.1 The Starting Areas (See Appendix #2, Chart)

Six racing circles are located in Lewis Bay, Hyannisport Harbor, and South of the Hyannisport Harbor Area. The circle locations are approximate. Inside each circle will be the starting line, marked by the appropriate Committee Boat and a buoy. The starting line will

be between a staff on the signal boat displaying an orange flag and an inflatable starting mark. There may be a small "keep off" buoy attached to the Signal Boat. This buoy shall be considered a part of the Signal Boat and boats shall not pass between it and the Signal Boat.

8.2 The Starting Order

The intended starting order listed below is for the first race of the day. The starting order for subsequent race starts may vary. Watch for your class flag.

Circle	Class	Class Flag	<u>Start</u>
Green	Optimist Green	Green	
Blue	Optimist, White, Red, Blue	Red	
<u>Orange</u>	Club 420 See Appei	ndix #1 for starting	g order
Yellow	Laser Standard Rig	Laser White	
Red	Laser Radials	Laser Red	
White	Formula 18 Cats PHRF (Spinnaker) PHRF (Non-Spinnaker) J-22	Numeral # 1 Numeral # 2 Numeral # 3 Flag "J"	

8.3 Starting Times Warning Signal Friday

- Optimists 1200 hours
- All other classes 1300 hours

Warning Signal Saturday and Sunday

- Optimists 1000 hours
- All other classes 1100 hours
- **8.4 Starting Procedures Blue and Green Circles (OptImists):** Starting Procedure for Blue and Green Circles, (Optimists) only will be Appendix "Q", Sound Signals Starting System. (RRS)
- **8.5 Starting Procedure for All Other Classes** will be RRS 26.
- 8.6 Starting Rotation for Orange Circle (Club 420's) only:
 - **a.** Boats will be assigned to four groups by the Organizing Authority and at check-in will be provided a colored streamer corresponding to their group color.
 - **b.** Each boat will display the colored streamer from her masthead.
 - **c.** The starting rotation will be described in Appendix #1.

9. Time Limit

Green, Blue, Red, Orange, and Yellow Circles: The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 75 minutes. Boats failing to finish within the time limit or within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat to comply with RRS 28 and finish will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

White Circle: The time limit will be two hours and failing to finish within the time limit or within thirty (30) minutes of the first boat to comply with RRS 28 and finish will be scored DNF. This changes RRS 35 and A4.

10. Protests

Any boat protesting shall do so in accordance with RRS 61. The protesting boat must deliver a written protest to the Race Secretary, located at the Information Desk, within one (1) hour of the time the Committee boat for their circle reaches its berth.

The sail numbers of boats involved in a protest shall be posted on the Official Notice Board after the last race of the day. Skippers must check the "Board" since this posting shall constitute notice of protest under RRS 61.1 (b). Skippers so notified shall make themselves available to the Protest Committee. Decisions may be rendered even if all parties are not present in accordance with RRS 63.3 (b).

11. Scoring

11.1 The Low Point Scoring System Appendix A RRS will apply, except that each boat's score will be the sum of its scores for all races. As many races as practical will be run during this regatta, however, in the event only one (1) race is completed it shall constitute a series.

11.2 Scoring for the Orange Circle. In Appendix A4.2 RRS, the "number of boats entered" will be the sum of the number of boats entered in the two largest fleets.

12. Sail Numbers

Any change in a sail number from that recorded on the 2010 Hyannis Yacht Club Registration Form must be received and approved by the Chief Scorer, before the harbor start signal of the first race for which the new numbers are to be effective. A boat that has an invalid sail number will be scored DNC. This changes RRS A5 and G4.

13. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded following the conclusion of the races on Sunday, August 1, 2010, in accordance with the Notice of Race.

14. Safety

14.1 PHRF boats: are subject to ISAF Special regulations Category 4. PHRF Competitors are reminded that all personnel on deck shall wear personal flotation while starting and finishing without exception and at all other times except when the Captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside.

14.2 All One Design boats are subject to class rules and competitors shall wear a properly fastened United States Coast Guard approved Type III non-inflatable life jacket at all times whole on the water, except to quickly change clothing.

15. White Circle Radio Procedures

The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Channel 68; competitors are encouraged to monitor VHF Channel 68. In the event of an Individual Recall, the Race Committee shall endeavor to notify each boat recalled by hailing it on VHF Channel 68. The timelines of such a broadcast and the order of boats notified shall not be grounds for redress. It is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start.

16. Penalties (PHRF ONLY)

The PHRF fleet will use the Scoring Penalty RRS 44.3

17. Disposal of Trash

This event is designated a **Clean Regatta** by the Sailors for the Sea organization. By entering all competitors agree to abide by the *Clean Regatta* Certification Level requirements. Boats observed discharging trash into the water will either be disqualified from all races that day that the infraction is observed or be subject to other suitable disciplinary action, or both.