

# SUNSET SPRINT RACE 2015

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Saturday July, 25. 2015

Organized by Fayerweather Y.C.  
Black Rock, Connecticut

### 1 Rules

1.1 The races will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2013-2016, and the current PHRF Regulations as adopted and amended by the YRA of LIS.

1.2 Participation in this race does not grant any special "right of way" all vessels must follow the "Rules of the Road" Use extra caution in Shipping Lanes.

1.3 After Sunset all participants will be required to wear PFD's

1.4 At Sunset all boats are required to comply with USCG Regulations for Sailing vessels Operating at night.

1.5 After clear of the start all participants will monitor VHF Channel "16" USCG Hailing Channel.

### 2 Check-in and Retirement

2.1 A boat **intending to start** a race shall approach the race committee signal boat with their main up and on starboard tack and hail her division and sail number before the warning signal for her division.

2.2 A boat **retiring** from a race must inform the race committee as soon as possible at the Fayerweather Yacht Club 203-576-6796 or VHF Channel 68 in hailing distance.

### 3 Notices to Competitors

3.1 Notices to competitors and scratch sheets will be posted on the event website and the notice board located in the main hall of Fayerweather YC

3.2 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.

### 4 Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made from a race committee boat, either on a mooring in Black Rock Harbor, or docked at FYC, will be considered as signals made ashore

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replace with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP.

### 5 Schedule

5.1 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1900 hours 7/25, 2015.

### 6 Divisions

6.1 **Division 1** – All spinnaker boats

6.2 **Division 2** – JAM (Jib and Main) and Double handed boats.

Division **STARTING** assignments may be altered at the discretion of the organizing authority.

6.3 There is a three boat minimum to start a Division. If there are not three boats starting, Divisions may be combined at the discretion of the organizing authority;

6.4 Class flags will be the numeral pennant corresponding to the division number.

### 7 Starting Area

The starting area is between 2A and the Bridgeport channel.

### 8 Courses and Signals

#### 8.1 Spinnaker Course,

The course for spinnaker boats will be from Start in the area of 2A Black Rock Harbor to Leave R/W NH at New Haven to Starboard then to R/W PJ to Starboard returning to Black Rock Harbor leaving Stratford Shoal to Starboard finishing at the Docks of the Fayerweather Yacht Club.

#### 8.2 Non Spinnaker Course,

From start to R/W NH to round Stratford Shoal to starboard finishing at the Docks of Fayerweather Yacht Club

8.3 The course may be shortened before the race start signaled by the flag S.

8.4 The short course for all boats will be for all boats to sail from start to round Stratford Shoal Light to starboard then to finish at the docks of Fayerweather Yacht Club

8.5 Downwind starts are permitted.

8.6 Aids to navigation not used as turning marks may be disregarded with the following exceptions:

No yacht **shall** pass:

Between Flasher 2A and Fayerweather Light (abandoned).

## 9 The Start

9.1 The **Starting Line** will be between a white flag on the race committee boat and the starting mark. "A"

9.2 **Divisions will start in following order**; Division 1 will start first, followed by division 2, in a rolling sequence.

9.3 **Starts will normally be rolling.** At the start signal the Division Pennant will be removed and replaced by the next division's Pennant, which will be their warning signal.

9.4 Races will be started using rule 26, with no changes:

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Min</u>
<u>Warning</u>	<u>Class flag displayed</u>	<u>1 sound</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>Preparatory</u>	<u>P, I, Z, Z with I, or black</u>	<u>1 sound</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>One-Minute</u>	<u>Preparatory flag removed</u>	<u>1 long sound</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>Starting</u>	<u>Class flag removed</u>	<u>1 sound</u>	<u>0</u>

9.5 A series of short sound signals or hails may be made before the starting sequence begins in order to attract attention. Neither failure to make this signal nor failure of a boat to hear it will be grounds for redress.

9.6 Any boat not starting within four minutes after its starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes rule 63.1.

9.7 **Individual Recalls** will be signaled by displaying the code flag "X" and one sound. An "over early" boat will be hailed to restart by her name or sail number and an attempt may be made to notify her over VHF Channel 68. Neither failure to hail nor failure of a boat to hear their hail will be grounds for redress.

9.8 **General Recalls** will be signaled with code flag "First Substitute" (FS) and two sounds. A new warning signal for the recalled division will be made one minute after lowering "FS" and one sound. Succeeding divisions shall follow the order of the new start.

## 10 The Finish

1.1 **Finish Line** is between a white flag on the Deck of the Fayerweather Yacht Club and an Orange Buoy across from the FYC Docks.

1.2 **All participant will communicate with the Fayerweather Race Committee on VHF "68" or 203-576-6796 entering Black Rock Harbor to announce vessel arrival.**

## 11 Scoring

11.1 Boats will be scored using PHRF (Time on Distance) YRA of LIS rating will be used for scoring.

## 12 Protests

12.1 In addition to the requirements of rule 61, the protestor must also inform the race committee, as soon as possible after finishing or retiring, of the intent to protest, and the protest must be delivered to FYC sailing R/C on a US Sailing protest form within 60 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. Protest not fully in compliance with rule 61 and the sailing instructions will not be accepted.

12.2 The Organizing authority shall select a three member Protest Committee as soon as possible. This modifies rule 88.2(b). One member shall be appointed Protest Committee Chairman. The three member Protest Committee must be comprised only of owners or co-owners of boats that are properly entered in the Series. Non-owners who are US Sailing Certified Race Officers and/or US Sailing Certified Judges may also be selected to serve on the three member Protest Committee and shall be given preference in selection. The Protest Committee Chairman will schedule the date to hear the protest.

## 13 Liability

Competitors participate in the racing at their own risk. See RRS rule 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 racing.

## 14 Time Limit

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 0900 July 26 boats that have not finished by that time will be scored DNF.

## 15 Radio Communication

15.1 The race committee may monitor and utilize VHF Channel 68 while going to and coming from the race area and once "on station." All Vessels will monitor VHF "16" After Clear of the Starting Line.

15.2 All race committee communications over the radio are a courtesy only, and do not override any flags, signals, or rules.

## **16 Trophies**

16.1 The first, second, and third place winners of the Race in each Division will be awarded overall trophies at the awards night held at Fayerweather Yacht Club on November 7, 2015.

# **BLACK ROCK HARBOR**

## **Race Course Marks**

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- A – Special Starting Mark – either orange pin with orange flag or orange tetrahedron**
- B – Bridgeport Outer Channel Buoy RW “BH” WHIS**
- C – Green Can “3” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- D – Green Gong “5” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- E – Green Can “7” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- F – Green Gong “9” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- G – Green Can “11” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- H – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 1 nautical mile to windward**
- J – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 1 ½ nautical miles to windward**
- K – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 2 nautical miles to windward**
- L – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 1 nautical mile to leeward**
- M – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 1 ½ nautical miles to leeward**
- N – Special mark (orange tetrahedron) approximately 2 nautical miles to leeward**
- P – FL R Bell “20” 1 nautical mile South of Point no Point – Stratford**
- R – FL R Bell “18” 2 nautical miles South of Point no Point – Stratford**
- S – FL R Bell “22” ¾ nautical mile South of S. Pine Creek Point – Southport**
- T – FL G “LC” off Penfield Reef**
- V – G C “3” at Middleground**
- W – FL Green “1” at Stony Brook**
- Y – G “11A” Gong 1.5 nm NNW Port Jefferson Entrance**
- Z – RW “PJ” MO(A) Whis 1.5 nm N Port Jefferson Entrance**