



**47<sup>th</sup> LHYC Katrina Cup**  
**61<sup>st</sup> CYC Winkle Cup**  
*Saturday, September 12, 2015*



## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:
  - 1.1.1 The *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) 2013-2016;
  - 1.1.2 Current class rules for one-design fleets;
  - 1.1.3 The current PHRF regulations, as administered by YRA of Long Island Sound (YRALIS) including non-spinnaker regulations and crew weight limitations;
  - 1.1.4 Current Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of YRALIS, Category C;
  - 1.1.5 The RRS will be changed as noted in these instructions.

### **2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 **The regatta is open to boats of PHRF and One-Design classes.**
  - 2.1.1 Eligible boats can enter and electronically pay the entry fee using the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club's (LHYC) online registration at [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org), following the link to the Race Information page.
  - 2.1.2 Boats shall enter in only one class. If less than four entries are received for any one-design class, they will be entered in an appropriate PHRF class, unless they wish to withdraw their entry.
- 2.2 **SPINNAKER FLEET**
  - 2.2.1 To race in the PHRF spinnaker fleet, a boat must possess a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, a valid one-design certificate, or receive a temporary waiver and LHYC handicap rating from the LHYC Fleet Captain.
- 2.3 **NON-SPINNAKER FLEET**
  - 2.3.1 The Non-Spinnaker Program as published in the YRALIS Racing Schedule (2015 Racing Program) will be followed.
  - 2.3.2 To race in the Non-Spinnaker fleet, a boat must have either a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, or a LHYC handicap rating.
- 2.4 No boat shall make any change during the regatta which would affect its rating.

### **3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the LHYC web site ([www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org)) as well as the Centerport YC (CYC) website, [www.centerport-yc.org](http://www.centerport-yc.org) and shall be broadcast on VHF Channel 72 prior to the first warning signal.

### **4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on September 12 on the LHYC website ([www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org)), the CYC website, [www.centerport-yc.org](http://www.centerport-yc.org) and announced prior to the first warning signal on VHF Ch. 72.

### **5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 No signals will be made ashore.

**6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 6.1 Racing is scheduled for Saturday, September 12, 2015.
- 6.2 The scheduled time for the first warning signal for the Winkle Cup Race is 1100 hours EDT.
- 6.3 The Katrina Cup Race will begin as soon as practicable after the Winkle Cup Race.
  - 6.3.1 Classes that have finished the Winkle Cup Race may be started in the Katrina Cup Race before other classes have finished the Winkle Cup Race. Boats should proceed to the starting area no later than the finish of the last boat in their class in the Winkle Cup Race (or expiration of the time limit for their class), being careful not to interfere with boats sailing the course or starting.
- 6.4 No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

**7 CLASS FLAGS**

- 7.1 The number of classes and the class assignment for each boat will be made at the discretion of the Race Committee (RC) and indicated on the Scratch Sheet.
- 7.2 Scratch Sheets will be available on the LHYC website ([www.LHYC.org](http://www.LHYC.org)) and the CYC website ([www.Centerport-YC.org](http://www.Centerport-YC.org)) no later than 2000 hours on September 11, and in hard copy form at the Binnacle Room at CYC at 1800 hrs.
- 7.3 Classes will be designated by numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.). Class flags will be numeral pennants.
- 7.4 Each boat may display the numeral pennant for its class on its backstay or, in the absence of a backstay, from a point near its stern.
- 7.5 Boats wishing to change class, e.g., spinnaker to non-spinnaker, shall notify the RC prior to the first warning signal of the first race of their class. The RC will announce any such changes on VHF Channel 72.
- 7.6 All boats shall identify themselves to the RC by sailing past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack with mainsail hoisted prior to the first warning signal.

**8 RACING AREAS**

- 8.1 Rendezvous will be made in the vicinity north of Bell 8, but no further than one mile north of Nun 6 off Lloyd Neck.
- 8.2 The RC shall announce the approximate position of the starting area on VHF Channel 72 at approximately 1030 hours.

**9 MARKS**

9.1 Marks are as indicated below and as displayed on Illustration A:

ID	Mark Location	ID	Mark Location
A	Bell "8" at entrance to Huntington Bay	M	Can "13" off Eaton's Neck Point
B	Nun "6" off Lloyd Neck	R	Flasher "1" off Sand City at entrance to Northport Bay
D	Nun "4" off Lloyd Neck	T	Flasher "1" off entrance to Huntington Harbor
E	Nun "2" off Lloyd Neck	W	Inflatable to windward at approximate course bearing and distance displayed on the signal boat and may be announced on VHF channel 72
F	Gong "15" off Lloyd Point		
J	Mid Sound buoy "28C" Cable and Anchor Reef		
K	"11B" Mid-Sound, off Eaton's Neck	Y	Inflatable south of line connecting marks "R" and "T"
L	Green/Red Can NNW of Eaton's Neck Point	Z	Inflatable no more than 1 mile to leeward of Signal boat

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- 9.2** Government marks Bell 8, Nuns 2, 4 and 6 used as aids to navigation along the north shore of Lloyd Neck must be observed when not designated as marks that do not begin, bound or end the leg of the course the competitor is on. This changes RRS 28.2.
- 9.2.1** All other government and private aids, when not designated as marks of the course, may be disregarded at the discretion of the skipper.

## **10 THE START**

- 10.1** Races will be started according to RRS 26.

*Sample start sequence assuming an 11:00 first signal.*

**Note:** A break in sequence could occur between any or all classes:

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>ACTION</b>	<b>SOUND</b>	<b>VISUAL SIGNAL</b>
1	11:00	Class 1 warning	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag displayed
	11:01	Class 1 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:04		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
2	11:05	Class 1 start & Class 2 warning	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag removed Class 2 flag displayed
	11:06	Class 2 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:09		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
3	11:10	Class 2 start & Class 3 warning	Horn/Gun	Class 2 flag removed Class 3 flag displayed

Sequence repeated until all classes have started.

- 10.2** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and the flag on a pin to port of the signal boat.
- 10.3** The RC will attempt to identify OCS boats and broadcast their sail numbers via VHF Channel 72. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification and the timing and order of such hail shall not be cause for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.
- 10.4** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- 10.5** Any boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS rules A4.2 and A5.

## **11 COURSES**

- 11.1** Courses will be signaled by the RC using letter placards indicating the turning marks set forth in sailing instruction 9.1. Marks indicated by letters on a green background shall be left to starboard. Marks indicated by letters on a red background shall be left to port. Class numbers I, II, III, etc., will be displayed. Turning marks will be displayed for each class under its class number and should be read from top to bottom. Refer to the scratch sheet for your boat's class assignment.

## **12 THE FINISH**

- 12.1** The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat at the port end and the course side of a mark on the Starboard end.

## **13 TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1** If no boat in a class finishes within three hours of the start of that class, the race for that class will be abandoned.
- 13.2** Boats failing to finish by 1730 hrs. in any race will be scored Did Not Finish.
- 13.3** Any boat failing to finish within 30 minutes plus her time allowance from the finish of the first boat in her class will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS rules 35, A4.2 and A5.

## **14 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT**

A boat that may have broken a rule of RRs Part 2 outside the zone of any rounding or finishing mark, may take a One-Turn Penalty. For a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 within the zone of any rounding or finishing mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turn Penalty. This changes rule 44.1.

## **15 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE**

- 15.1** After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing* may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race and when and where the incident occurred.
- 15.2** The Post-Race Penalty shall be: (a) 20% if taken before the protest time limit or (b) 30% if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

## **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1** Notice of Protest(s) by the RC will be made via VHF Channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.2** Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman: Mr. Mike Sterflinger, 220 Taylor St, Centerport NY 11721. Protests shall be delivered to Mr Sterflinger or his representative in person or via email to msterf@gmail.com within one hour of the Signal boat's docking time on the race day. The Signal boat's docking time will be announced via VHF Channel 72. The same time limit applies to protests by the RC about incidents they observe in their racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 16.3** Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly and posted on the LHYC website to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. A protest against a boat whose representative has not announced his intention to attend the hearing, or who fails to attend the hearing, will be heard without representation from the protested boat as provided by RRS 63.3(b).
- 16.4** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

## **17 PROTEST ARBITRATION**

- 17.1** An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest by a boat involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, but must be held as soon as possible after the race, but only if each party is represented by a person who was on board at the time of the incident. No witnesses will be permitted. However, if the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) may apply or that arbitration is not appropriate, the meeting will not be held, and if a meeting is in progress, it will be closed. If the arbitrator determines that a protest hearing is required it will be scheduled at a future time.
- 17.2** Based on evidence given by the representatives, the arbitrator will offer an opinion as to what the protest committee is likely to decide: (a) the protest is valid, (b) no boat will be penalized for breaking a rule, or (c) one or more boats will be penalized for breaking a rule, identifying the boats and the penalties.
- 17.3** A boat that may have broken a rule may take a Post-Race Penalty as provided in Section 15.2 of these Sailing Instructions. However, the penalty in Section 15.2(a) of these Sailing Instructions is available only until the protest time limit or until the beginning of the arbitration meeting, whichever is earlier. During a meeting, a boat may take a penalty by acknowledging her acceptance of the penalty in writing.
- 17.4** If a boat asks to withdraw her protest, the arbitrator may act on behalf of the protest committee in accordance with rule 63.1 to accept the withdrawal.

## **18 SCORING**

- 18.1** Time allowances will be as per YRALIS PHRF procedures using time on distance and will be based on the course distance as calculated by the RC, regardless of the distance sailed.
- 18.2** Each class will be scored separately in each race.

## **19 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 19.1** All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to extend the right-of-way to commercial vessels, especially those restricted in their ability to maneuver, making passage through the racing area. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the RC.
- 19.2** A boat withdrawing before the start or retiring from a race for any reason is requested to notify the RC by VHF Channel 72 at the earliest possible opportunity.

## **20 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 20.1** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 20.2** The RC shall use VHF Channel 72 for any radio communications with competitors. As an additional courtesy, radio prompts may be given to preface any actions by the RC. Boats shall not be entitled to redress for the following: misstatements by the RC, or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast.

## **21 PRIZES**

- 21.1** Prizes in each race will be awarded as follows for each class: First if three or more competitors, Second if five or more and Third if seven or more.
- 21.2** The name of the first place finisher in each division of the Winkle Cup race will be placed on the *Winkle Cup* Trophy, which is on permanent display at Centerport Yacht Club.
- 21.3** The *Byers Trophy* will be awarded to the best PHRF spinnaker boat with the lowest overall corrected time in the Winkle Cup race.
- 21.4** The *Katrina Cup* will be awarded to the best PHRF spinnaker boat with the lowest overall corrected time (one year retention of the trophy) in the Katrina Cup race.
- 21.5** The *Katrina Cup Race* is a qualifying race for the *Schuster Trophy* – awarded to the best overall Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club boat, using Cox-Sprague scoring based upon fleet placement, with the combined scores from the Lloyd Trophy, Stratford Shoal Race and Katrina Cup.
- 21.6** Each race is a qualifying race for North Sails' *Huntington Bay Boat of the Year* Trophy. Participation earns one point per race.
- 21.7** Each race is a qualifier for the YRALIS PHRF Fall, Gitana, Sappho, Competitors, Kings Point and Mertz Trophies.

## **22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 22.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely 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 regatta.

**Visit the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club Web Site at [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org) for a link to the regatta scores.**

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Illustration A

