



BLACK ROCK HARBOR Single/Double Hand Series SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

July 10, 2016 – August 21, 2016

Organized by Black Rock Y.C. and 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) and the current PHRF Regulations as adopted and amended by the YRA of UIS.

1.2 Crew Weight limits and the crew weight credits indicated on a boat's PHRF certificate, will not apply.

1.3 PHRF ratings issued by the YRA of UIS will be used

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 sail number before the warning signal.

2.2 A boat **retiring** from a race must inform the race committee as soon as possible. The race committee monitors VHF channel 68.

3 Notices to Competitors

3.1 Notices to competitors and scratch sheets will be posted regatta network.

3.2 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 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 1300 hours on July 10, July 24, August 7 and August 21, 2016, with one race scheduled for each day.

6 Divisions

6.1 **Division 1** – JAM - All single & double handed boats

6.2 There is a 2 boat minimum to start a race.

7 Starting Area

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

8 Courses and Signals

8.1 **Courses**, The marks to be used are shown on the attached page titled "Black Rock Harbor Race Course Marks" Further footnoted with v10 on the bottom of the page. The course to be sailed will be signaled by posting the letters that correspond to the marks that are to be rounded. They will be posted on the course board in the order in which they are to be rounded, and shall

include the finish mark. Rounding marks are to be left to the same side as the starting mark. Letters that correspond to rounding marks that are to be left to the opposite side shall be circled on the course board. A number following the list of marks to be rounded may be used to indicate the number of times around the course.

8.2 The course for JAM boats shall include reaching legs whenever possible.

8.3 Downwind starts are permitted.

8.4 Aids to navigation not used as turning marks may be disregarded with the following exceptions: No yacht shall pass:

Between 100ft west of LC and Penfield Light,
 Between Penfield Light and Lantern point,
 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 Races will be started using rule 26, with no changes:

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

9.3 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.

9.4 **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.

9.5 **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 Change of Course after the Start

A change of course will be signaled by a race committee boat making sound signals, displaying flag "C", and displaying the remaining marks to be passed, including the finishing mark. This changes rule 33.

11 The Finish

The **Finish Line** is between a white flag on a race committee boat and the finish mark and shall be crossed in the direction of the course from the last mark.

12 Penalty System

A boat breaking a rule described in RRS Part 2 ("When Boats Meet") may take a penalty by promptly making **one turn** including one tack and one gybe. This modifies the "two turns rule" (formerly the 720 rule) .

13 Scoring

13.1 The Low-Point Scoring System in RRS Appendix A will apply.

13.2 A modified YRA of LIS, PHRF "time on time" scoring procedure will be used. .
 $TCF=650/(550+PHRF)$

14 Protests

14.1 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 on a US Sailing protest form within 30 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. Protest not fully in compliance with rule 61 and the sailing instructions will not be accepted.

14.2 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 which 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.

15 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.

16 Time Limit

16.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 2 hours 30 minutes. The time limit for any boat to sail the course and finish is 3 hours

17 Radio Communication

17.1 The race committee may monitor and utilize VHF Channel 68 while going to and coming from the race area and once "on station."

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

18 Trophies

18.1 The first, second, and third place winners of the Series will be awarded "Black Rock Harbor Single/Double Hand Series" trophies at the awards night held at Fayerweather Yacht Club on November 5, 2016. Black Rock Yacht Club will also award trophies for their member's top finishing boats that participated in the Series. The trophies will be awarded the annual awards night held at Black Rock Yacht Club on October 22, 2016.



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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 Can “5” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- E – Green Can “7” Bridgeport Entrance Channel**
- F – Green Can “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 1/2 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 1/2 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” 3/4 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**