HURRICANE CUP PURSUIT RACE SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), with US SAILING Prescriptions, including Appendix V, except as changed by the Notice of Race or by these Sailing Instructions.

1.2 All competitors are reminded of the importance of compliance with RRS 67.

1.3 RRS 52 is amended as provided for under RRS 86.1(c) as follows: Competitors are permitted to use electrically-powered winches for running rigging while racing.

1.4 Competitors in PHRF races are required to remove anchors from their bow pulpits while racing.

1.5 Changes to the Sailing Instructions or Schedule must be posted on Regatta Network's event site for the <u>BYC Hurricane Cup Pursuit Race</u> at least 24 hours prior to the first scheduled warning signal. Changes to the Sailing Instructions, excluding the schedule of races, may also be posted on the Race Committee boat prior to the warning signal and after displaying signal flag "L" and a radio announcement by the Race Committee on VHF c 72.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS/SCRATCH SHEETS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on Regatta Network's event site for the <u>BYC Hurricane Cup Pursuit</u> Race.

2.2 Scratch sheets including start times will be available at the bar at BYC and through the registrant's email, no later than 0900 on the day of the race.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the BYC flagpole.

3.2 Flag AP displayed ashore means "The races are postponed. The warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered." This changes RRS Race Signals AP.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACE

4.1 The Hurricane Cup PHRF Pursuit Race will be held on September 21, 2019

4.2 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1155.

5. RACING AREA

5.1 The racing area will include Buzzards Bay.

5.2 The start will be in the vicinity of Sippican Harbor Lighted Red Buoy "2" (F1 R) at Centerboard Shoal (BYC mark "G").

5.3 The BYC Race Chart can be found on Regatta Network's event site for the <u>BYC Hurricane Cup Pursuit</u> Race.

6. COURSES

The courses will be as described on the scratch sheet, or displayed on the committee boat.

7. STARTING PROCEDURE AND RECALLS

The start line will be between the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the signal boat and the course side of the nearby mark.

	PURSUIT STARTING PROC	EDURE (This changes RRS :	26)
Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes before and after starting signal
	Orange when signal boat is on station		
Warning	Course designation and "F" flag displayed	1 sound	-5
Preparatory	"P" flag	1 sound	-4
One-minute	"P" flag removed	1 long sound	-1
First boat(s) starting	"F" flag removed	1 sound; announced on VHF ch. 72	0
Subsequent Starts	None	1 sound; announced on VHF ch. 72	Posted on scratch sheet

7.1 (a) This is a pursuit start. The first warning will be at 1155. The first start will be at 1200. The signal boat will be using GPS time.

7.1 (b) The first boat(s) to start will be allocated minute zero in accordance with RRS 26.

7.1(c) Succeeding boats will be allocated a start time relative to minute zero based on their handicap (rounded to the nearest minute), and those times will be listed on the scratch sheet, which will be available at the Club at 0900, and sent to registered skippers via the email they used for registration.

7.1 (d) The starting line is closed to all boats until one minute prior to their assigned start time.

7.1 (e) The Race Committee will attempt to alert the fleet of impending starts on VHF ch. 72.

7.1 (f) Competitors shall actively monitor VHF ch. 72 for communications from the race committee.

7.2 Postponing Pursuit Races

7.2(a) Postponement of pursuit races shall be in accordance with RRS 27.3.

7.2 (b) If a postponement is necessary, the race committee will signal postponements in multiples of 10-minute intervals and will advise the fleet accordingly via VHF ch. 72.

7.2(c) In the event of a postponement, boats will start at their allocated number of minutes after the new minute zero. The start sheet will not be reprinted; it is the boat's responsibility to figure out their new start time. Boats will be advised of the rescheduled start time via VHF ch.72.

7.3 Individual recalls - Pursuit races

7.3 (a) There shall be no individual recalls. This changes RRS 28.2 and RRS 29.1.

7.3 (b) Boats who have started earlier than their start time shall have that amount of time added to their elapsed time, as well as a further 10% time penalty.

7.4 General recalls - Pursuit races

There shall be no general recalls. This changes RRS 29.2.

8. PENALTIES

RRS Appendix V will apply in its entirety. (This alters RRS 44.1)

9. TIME LIMITS

The Hurricane Cup PHRF Pursuit Race has a time limit of 5 hours.

10. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

10.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on forms available at the BYC bar and deposited in the protest box on the BYC porch within two hours from the time when the race committee finish boat docks.

10.2 The Protest Committee will hear protests properly filed for the Hurricane Cup Pursuit Race directly after the protest filing time limit, or at a time posted on the Regatta Network's Hurricane Cup Pursuit Race event site.

10.3 A boat requesting redress based on her scores shall do so by 1100 on September 22. This changes RRS 62.2.

11. SCORING

Boats will be scored using the system set out in RRS Appendix A. One race is scheduled; boats will be scored in their finish place.

12. SAFETY

12.1 When Flag L is displayed on the Race Committee signal boat before a warning signal, boats shall check in by sailing past the signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their numbers until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

12.2 VHF c. 72 is the hailing channel for the Race Committee. The Race Committee will monitor VHF c. 72 and will provide safety information on VHF c. 72. As part of the BYC Racing Safety Plan, every competing boat is required to carry a VHF radio and to monitor VHF c. 72 from the preparatory signal and while racing.

12.3 Boats shall notify the Race Committee on VHF c. 72 if they retire from racing.

12.4 All competitors shall wear properly fastened, USCG approved personal flotation devices while starting and finishing, without exception, and at all other times except when the captain directs that the devices may be set aside.

12.5 When flag V (Red X on White Background) is displayed not later than the warning signal spinnakers shall not be used.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in BYC series racing and special races entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 racing.