

**Whiskeytown Sailing Club**  
**56th Annual Memorial Day Regatta**  
**May 29 and 30, 2021**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Rules
  - 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. Amendments to the Racing Rules may be included in the Sailing Instructions.
  - 1.2 RRS 40.1 is modified with added text in *italics*: "Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices *while on the racecourse*, except while changing clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits are not considered personal buoyancy.
  - 1.3 Flag "Y" will not be displayed. This changes RRS 40.2
  - 1.4 Competitors in this event shall comply with the **Whiskeytown Sailing Club Covid -19 Protocols** and **National Park Service Picnic Area Protocols.**
2. Notices to Competitors
  - 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Regatta Headquarters in the Brandy Creek Marina parking lot.
3. Changes to Sailing Instructions
  - 3.1 Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board by 0900 on the day which they will affect.
  - 3.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
  - 3.3 Oral instructions maybe given by the Race Committee on the water. Code flag "L" shall be displayed.
4. Signals Made Ashore
  - 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a staff at Race Headquarters.
  - 4.2 When the "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the Race Signals "AP".
5. Schedule
  - 5.1 Competitors meeting will be held at 0900 on Saturday, May 29th at the Regatta Headquarters in the Brandy Creek Marina parking lot.
  - 5.2 The Warning signal for Race 1 on May 29th will be at 1030 and further races shall follow.
  - 5.3 The Warning Signal for Race 4 on May 30th will be at 1000 and further races shall follow.
  - 5.4 No races will be started after 1530 hours on May 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - 5.5 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound signal not less than five minutes before a warning signal is made.

## 6. Classes and Divisions

6.1 The Classes or Divisions for the first race of each day shall start in the order they are listed in the Class Assignments. Subsequent races shall be started no sooner than 5 minutes after a fleet finishes and may be started in any order at the discretion of the Race Committee.

6.2 Class or division assignments will be available at the Competitors Meeting and posted on the Regatta Notice Board.

6.3 Classes or divisions will be displayed no later than the warning signal of the class or division starting.

6.4 Each class or division will be identified and displayed on a placard on the Race Signal Barge.

## 7. The Courses

7.1 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee will designate the classes or divisions and the course with placards displayed from the Race Signal Barge.

7.2 Attachment "A" shows the racing area, the courses, and the order in which marks are to be passed.

## 8. Marks

8.1 The marks shall be cylindrical floats bearing a number corresponding to the course chart. Marks "A", "B" and "C" will be inflatable orange marks.

## 9. Starts

9.1 Races will be started using RRS Appendix "U" Audible Signal Racing System.

9.2 There will be a one (1) minute delay after the start of a fleet and the Warning Signal for the next start.

9.3 Boats that start more than 1 minute after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

9.3 The starting will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee barge and the course side of the starting mark.

## 10. Finish

10.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

## 11. Time Limit

11.1 Boats not finishing in the time limit for a race of 60 minutes of their start or 15 minutes after the first boat in a class or division sails the course shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and A5.2

## 12. Protest and Request for Redress

12.1 Protest forms will be available near the official notice board. Protest shall be delivered to a Race Committee representative in the Race Office within protest time limit.

12.2 Protest filing time shall end thirty (30) minutes after the posted docking time of

the signal boat. Docking time will be posted on the official notice board.

12.3 Notices will be posted and hearing time will be posted on the official notice board within thirty (30) minutes after the end of protest filing time limit.

13. Alternative Penalties. The RRS Appendix "V" shall apply.

14. Scoring

14.1 Six races are scheduled. One (1) completed race shall constitute a regatta.

14.2 Handicap division boats will be scored using the Portsmouth Rating System. Boats without a Portsmouth Rating will be assigned one by the Race Committee.

14.3 If less than six (6) races are completed for a Class or Division there will be no race scores excluded. This changes RRS A2.1

15. Safety

15.1 A boat that retires from the race or leaves the racing area prior to the conclusion of racing shall notify the Race Committee **before leaving the course area**. If that is not possible, the competitor shall notify a shore side member of the Race Committee immediately after arriving ashore.

16. Acknowledgement of Risk

16.1 I agree to abide by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). I certify that I am fully capable of participating in this activity. Therefore, I assume and accept full responsibility for myself, including all minor children in my care, custody, and control, and all competitors on my boat, for bodily injury, death, damage or loss of personal property and expenses as a result of those inherent risks and dangers (see RRS3, Decision to Race) identified in the Notice of Race and those inherent risks and dangers not specifically identified, and as a result of my negligence in participating in this activity.

16.2 I understand that Whiskeytown Sailing Club members and/or their associates will photograph boats sailing in the regatta, and that photos which include my boat may be used in future promotional materials.

17. Trash Disposal

17.1 Competitors and support persons shall not intentionally put trash in the water. This rule applies at all times while afloat. The penalty for a breach of this rule may be less than disqualification.