

NYRA Parrothead Race
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
July 23, 2022

Part I. General Instructions

MANAGEMENT AND RULES

The Parrothead Race shall be conducted and managed by NYRA. It shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, including the prescriptions of US Sailing, except as altered by these sailing instructions. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

ELIGIBILITY

Entries shall be accepted from owners of mono-hull boats 20 feet long or longer who possess a CURRENT VALID PHRF RATING from an acceptable NC State rating organization. Upon request of the Race Committee, the owner or skipper shall provide a signed, dated copy of the yacht's rating certificate as proof of currency and validity. Cruisers and others without a valid NC-PHRF certificate may race but will be assigned a provisional rating and start time by the Principal Race Officer (PRO).

COMMUNICATIONS

All participants are to communicate and monitor via VHF Channel 78A

NOTICES TO COMPETITORS/CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All notices to competitors shall be posted on the official bulletin boards at the NYRA Regatta Network site for this event. Changes to the SI's may also be made on the water, and will be announced over the radio.

SCHEDULE

Saturday July 23. The warning signal for the first boat(s) will be at or after 10:55 am.

PENALTIES

The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a one turn penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 13 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.

Part II. The Race

CLASSES

There shall be classes for spinnaker, non-spinnaker, multi hull, and cruising boats.

STARTING SIGNALS

This event has a pursuit start. The highest handicapped boat will start at the first scheduled start time, other boats will start at times dependent on their handicap. The time increments will be provided at the skippers' meeting. The first start will be started according to Rule 26 utilizing a red class flag. The warning signal for the first boat(s) will be at or after 10:55 am. The race committee will attempt to notify boats by radio prior to their start.

Tables of course length and start times will be available on the event website by 8 p.m. Friday evening.

AFTER THE STARTING SEQUENCE HAS BEGUN, ALL BOATS WHOSE START TIME IS MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES AWAY SHALL REMAIN CLEAR OF THE STARTING AREA. BOATS THAT FAIL TO KEEP CLEAR ARE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.

THE COURSE

The race course will be located on the Neuse River. The course will start around marker #17, toward Oriental regardless of wind direction, leave marker # 8 to port, leave marker '1AC' to port and finish within 100 feet of marker Oriental #1SC. The course distance is 17.05 nautical miles.

SCORING

The scoring system will use Time on Distance handicapping. Start times will be available at the Skipper's Meeting. The first boat to finish shall record her finish time and the name and time of the second boat to finish. Each subsequent finisher shall record her finish time and the name and time of the following boat. The order of finish determines the order of placement in each class. BOATS SHALL REPORT THESE TIMES TO THE RACE RECORDER BY TEXT TO: 252 671 7462.

PROTESTS

Protests are discouraged. This is a fun event! Notice of an intent to protest shall be announced by hail on VHF 78A immediately upon occurrence, and should be resolved on the water by use of the appropriate penalty.

AWARDS

Awards will be given as deemed practical and advisable, and in such a manner as deemed appropriate by the organizing authority

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rules Part 1- Fundamental Rule 3, Decision to Race. Each competitor is responsible for any and all liability claims which may result from their participation and should be adequately self-insured or covered by third party insurance. 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 each day's racing.