



# Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club

## Commodore's Cup

June 28, 2024

### 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) including Appendix V,
  - 1.1.2. The current PHRF regulations, as administered by Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRALIS) including non- spinnaker regulations,
  - 1.1.3. US SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS (SER), Nearshore Category.
- 1.2. RUNNING LIGHTS MUST BE DISPLAYED FROM THE FIRST WARNING SIGNAL.
- 1.3. Rules will be changed as noted in these instructions. Changes include, but are not limited to:
  - 1.3.1. Modification of RRS 35 and 63.1 to include a finishing time limit window,
  - 1.3.2. Modification of RRS 90.3(e) to extend the deadline for scoring appeals to 48 hours.

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats of PHRF classes of at least 21' LOA whose owner is a member in good standing of the LHYC.
- 2.2. Entry is done using the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club's online registration at [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org), following the link to the Race Information page.
- 2.3. There will be two divisions, Cruising and Racing. Boats which generally do not race and use "cruising canvas" will race in the Cruising division. All other boats will race in the Racing division.
- 2.4. Entrants must possess a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, a valid One-Design certificate, or receive a waiver and LHYC handicap rating from the LHYC Measurer.
- 2.5. This is a non-spinnaker event. No spinnakers of any variety may be used.

#### 3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club website [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org) by no later than 1200 hours on the day when the change takes effect and will 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 on the LHYC website at [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org) before 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

#### 5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Any postponement or abandonment will be announced prior to 1700 hours on the day before the race will be posted to the LHYC website at [www.lhyc.org](http://www.lhyc.org) and distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat.
- 5.2. In the event of severe weather which might compromise the welfare of the race committee (RC), warnings of

postponement or abandonment from ashore will be distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat prior to 1600 hours on the day of the race. The final decision will be distributed prior to 1800 hours and may be announced on VHF channel 72 from both Huntington and Northport Harbors.

## 6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. Racing is scheduled for June 28, 2024.
- 6.2. The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1900 hours.

## 7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. There will be two divisions, Racing (Class 1) and Cruising (Class 2). Boats which generally do not race and use "cruising canvas" not to include high-tech materials, e.g., Mylar, Kevlar, carbon fiber, will race in the Cruising division. All other boats will race in the Racing division.
- 7.2. The class assignment for each boat will be made at the discretion of the race committee (RC) and indicated on the Scratch Sheet.
- 7.3. 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 of Nun "2" at the entrance to Lloyd Harbor.

## 9. COURSES

- 9.1. Courses will be signaled by the RC using a letter placard indicating the course.
  - 9.1.1. **Course A:** Flasher "1" (Sand City) to port, Bell "8" (Target Rock) to port, then finish.
  - 9.1.2. **Course B:** Bell "8" (Target Rock) to starboard, Flasher "1" (Sand City) to starboard, then finish.

## 10. MARKS

- 10.1. The starting and finishing mark will be Nun "2" off Lloyd Harbor.

## 11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started according to RRS 26 using a rolling sequence where the Start of one division is the Warning Signal for the following division unless otherwise announced by the RC.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and Nun "2".
- 11.3. 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.
- 11.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- 11.5. Any boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1.
- 11.6. If the automated starting system is used, i.e., the Ollie System, racers should be aware of the short, repetitive sounds emitted prior to the initial warning signal and not consider them part of the starting sequence.

## 12. CHANGE OF COURSE

- 12.1. Courses will not be changed after the first start signal but may be shortened.

## 13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and Nun "2" unless the course is shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2. The race committee boat may shine a light at the mark to highlight the finish line. If finishing after dark, yachts shall shine a light on their sail numbers and report them to the RC.

## 14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1. The time limit will be 2110 hours for all boats. Any boat not finishing by the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35 and 63.1.

## 15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1. Penalties at the Time of the Incident
  - 15.1.1. The One-Turn Penalty as described in RRS Appendix V1 is in effect. This modifies RRS 44.1.
- 15.2. Post-Race Penalties
  - 15.2.1. The Post-Race Penalty as described in RRS Appendix V2 may be taken.

## 16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. A boat initiating a protest shall immediately after finishing, notify the race committee over VHF channel 72 of its intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat(s) being protested, repeating the notification at [reasonable] intervals until acknowledged by the RC. This changes RRS 61.1(a).
- 16.2. Notice of Protest(s) by the RC will be made via VHF channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 16.3. Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman as described in "Contacts", Section 23.2. Protests shall be delivered in person or via email to protest@lhyc.org by 2200 hours on the day following the event. 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.
- 16.4. Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly and posted on the event website notice board to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.5. Appeals for scoring corrections may be made to the Fleet Captain via email at [fleetcapt@lhyc.org](mailto:fleetcapt@lhyc.org) within 48 hours of a boat's finish. Appeals shall include the believed time of finish and witness accounts of the boat finishing immediately ahead and the boat finishing immediately behind the protesting boat.

## 17. SCORING

- 17.1. Time allowances will be as per YRALIS PHRF procedures using Time on Distance and will be based on the course distance of 3.4 NM.

## 18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1. 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.
- 18.2. 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.

## 19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1. Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channel 72.
- 19.2. 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 all mobile devices.
- 19.3. 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.

## **20. PRIZES**

- 20.1.** Prizes will be given as follows: Overall winner will receive the Commodore's Cup.
- 20.2.** Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place finishers in both divisions.

## **21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 21.1.** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.
- 21.2.** Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## **22. CONTACTS**

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