



**2014 Rhodes 19 East Coast Championship Regatta  
June 19-22, 2014  
Eastern Point Yacht Club**

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the regatta notice board located on the Eastern Point Yacht Club front porch.

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the Eastern Point Yacht Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

**5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Dates of racing:

Thursday, June 19

1600 – 1900 Registration

Friday, June 20

0800-1000 Registration

1000 Skippers Meeting, Eastern Point Yacht Club front porch

Not earlier than 1200 Warning signal for the first race, additional races may follow

Saturday, June 21

Not earlier than 1100 Warning signal for the first race, additional races may follow

Sunday, June 22

Not earlier than 1100 Warning signal for the first race, additional races may follow

No warning signal will be made after 1400.

**6 CLASS FLAG**

The class flag will be the Rhodes 19 class flag.

## 7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters of Massachusetts Bay off of Eastern Point Lighthouse, or Gloucester Harbor.

## 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg.

## 9 MARKS

- 9.1 The starting line mark will be a green tetrahedron.
- 9.2 Rounding marks will be orange tetrahedrons.
- 9.3 The offset mark will be an orange tetrahedron and identified by a red, white and blue band.
- 9.4 If an offset or gate mark is not in place the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

## 10 CHECKING IN

- 10.1 Before the warning signal of her first race each day, each boat shall sail past the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee repeating the boat's sail number.
- 10.2 A boat failing to do so may receive a 20% scoring penalty **for the first race in which she competes on that day**, as described in rule 44.3(c). This changes A4, A5.

## 11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 For the second and subsequent race(s) of the day, or after a postponement for more than 15 minutes, a short series of signals will be sounded approximately four minutes before the warning signal is made.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a green tetrahedron at the port end of the starting line.
- 11.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

## 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 A change of course after the start will be signalled before the leading boat has begun the changed leg, although the new mark may not be in position.
- 12.2 The new mark will have a black band.
- 12.3 Any mark to be rounded, after rounding the new mark, may be relocated to maintain the original course configuration.

- 12.4 When, in a subsequent change of course, a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an original mark with no black band.

### **13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finish line mark boat at the starboard end of the course side of the port-end finishing mark.

### **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

Rules T1 and T2 (Appendix T) apply.

### **15 TIME LIMITS**

- 15.1 If the first boat does not reach Mark 1 within 40 minutes or the first boat to finish does not finish within 150 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.
- 15.2 Boats still racing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) and will be scored two more than the last boat finishing. This modifies rule 35.

### **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 16.1 All boats intending to protest shall conspicuously display a red flag at the first reasonable opportunity following the incident(s) being protested. This changes Rule 61.1(a)(2).
- 16.2 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the race committee signal boat has docked.
- 16.3 Protest forms are available at the office of the Eastern Point Yacht Club.
- 16.4 Protest hearings will be conducted at the Eastern Point Yacht Club in the Private Dining on the first floor, or the Member's Room on the second floor.
- 16.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
  - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 16.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

### **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 A boat's regatta score shall be her total score for all races in that series, excluding her worst score if five (5) or more races have been completed, or her worst two scores if ten (10) races have been completed this changes Rule A2.
- 17.2 A maximum of ten (10) races are scheduled. A minimum of three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.

### **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

## **19 REPLACEMENT OF CREW**

Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the protest committee.

## **20 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 20.1 All boats shall conform to the Class By-Laws and the Class Rules as prescribed by Rhodes 19 Class By-Law Article XV, Section B 15.00. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.
- 20.2 Any measurement waivers given by the Rhodes 19 Class Association must be submitted to the protest committee prior to the start of the first race.

## **21 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Competing boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee.

## **22 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 22.1 All competing boats shall carry a working VHF capable of monitoring VHF channel 78.
- 22.2 The race committee broadcasts concerning its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, etc. shall be on VHF channel 78 and are a courtesy only. Failure of the race committee to make a broadcast, the timing of the broadcast or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast shall not be grounds for redress under rule 62.1.
- 22.3 Recalls. The race committee will attempt to hail boats that are identified as on the course side (OCS) on VHF frequency 78. The failure to hail, the hail of some but not all boats, or untimely hail of a boat or boats shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

## **23 BERTHING AND TRAILER STORAGE**

The storage of trailers belonging to visiting boats at Eastern Point Yacht Club must be coordinated with the regatta organizing committee. Mooring of yachts will be under the control of the Eastern Point Yacht Club dockmaster and the regatta organizing committee. All competitors are required to follow their instructions. Launching and hauling may be coordinated by the dockmaster and the regatta organizing committee by prior request.

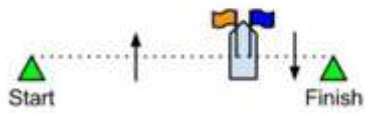
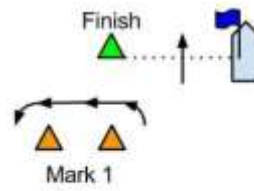
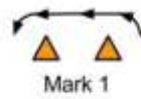
## **24 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for the first three places in the regatta. In addition, prizes will be awarded daily to the first boat in each race.

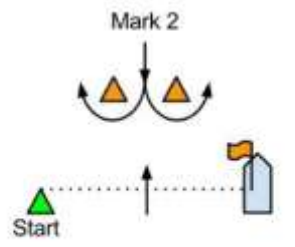
## **25 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See 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 regatta.

# Attachment A



**Course A**  
Start - Mark 1 - Finish



**Course B**  
Start - Mark 1 - Mark 2 - Finish