

46th LHYC Katrina Cup 60th CYC Winkle Cup

Saturday, September 6, 2014



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) 2013-2016;
 - 1.1.2 Current class rules for one-design fleets;
 - **1.1.3** The current PHRF regulations, as administered by YRA of Long Island Sound (YRALIS) including non-spinnaker regulations and crew weight limitations;
 - **1.1.4** Current Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of YRALIS, Category C;
 - **1.1.5** The RRS will be changed as noted in these instructions.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to boats of PHRF and One-Design classes.

- **2.1.1** Eligible boats can enter and electronically pay the entry fee using the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club's (LHYC) online registration at www.lhyc.org, following the link to the Race Information page.
- 2.1.2 Boats shall enter in only one class. If less than four entries are received for any one-design class, they will be entered in an appropriate PHRF class, unless they wish to withdraw their entry.
- 2.1.3 Entry must be submitted and entry fee received by LHYC by Thursday, September 4, 2014 to avoid a late entry fee. All entries must be received no later than 1800 hours, Friday, September 5, 2014.

2.2 SPINNAKER FLEET

2.2.1 To race in the PHRF spinnaker fleet, a boat must possess a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, a valid one-design certificate, or receive a temporary waiver and LHYC handicap rating from the LHYC Fleet Captain.

2.3 NON-SPINNAKER FLEET

- **2.3.1** The Non-Spinnaker Program as published in the YRALIS Racing Schedule (2014 Racing Program) will be followed.
- **2.3.2** To race in the Non-Spinnaker fleet, a boat must have either a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate, or a LHYC handicap rating.
- 2.4 No boat shall make any change during the regatta which would affect its rating.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the LHYC web site (http://www.lhyc.org/) as well as the Centerport YC (CYC) website, www.Centerport-YC.org and shall 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 before 0900 hours on September 6 on the LHYC website (http://www.lhyc.org/), the CYC website, www.Centerport-YC.org and announced prior to the first warning signal on VHF Ch. 72.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 No signals will be made ashore.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **6.1** Racing is scheduled for Saturday, September 6, 2014.
- **6.2** The scheduled time for the first warning signal for the Katrina Cup Race is 1100 hours EDT.
- 6.3 The Winkle Cup Race will begin as soon as practicable after the Katrina Cup Race.
 - 6.3.1 Classes that have finished the Katrina Cup Race may be started in the Winkle Cup Race before other classes have finished the Katrina Cup Race. Boats should proceed to the starting area no later than the finish of the last boat in their class in the Katrina Cup Race (or expiration of the time limit for their class), being careful not to interfere with boats sailing the course or starting.
- **6.4** No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The number of classes and the class assignment for each boat will be made at the discretion of the race committee and indicated on the Scratch Sheet.
- 7.2 Scratch Sheets will be available on the LHYC website (www.LHYC.org) and the CYC website (www.Centerport-YC.org) no later than 2000 hours on September 5, and in hard copy form at the Binnacle Room at CYC at 1800 hrs.
- **7.3** Classes will be designated by numerals (1, 2, 3, etc.). Class flags will be numeral pennants.
- **7.4** Each boat may display the numeral pennant for its class on its backstay or, in the absence of a backstay, from a point near its stern.
- **7.5** Boats wishing to change class, e.g., spinnaker to non-spinnaker, shall notify the race committee prior to the first warning signal of the first race of their class. The race committee will announce any such changes on VHF Channel 72.
- **7.6** All boats shall identify themselves to the race committee by sailing past the stern of the committee 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 north of Bell 8, but no further than one mile north of Nun "6" off Lloyd Neck.
- **8.2** The race committee shall announce the approximate position of the starting area on VHF Channel 72 at approximately 1030 hours.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks are as indicated below and as displayed on Illustration A:

ID	Mark Location	ID	Mark Location
Α	Bell "8" at entrance to Huntington Bay	М	Can "13" off Eaton's Neck Point
В	Nun "6" off Lloyd Neck	R	Flasher "1" off Sand City at entrance to Northport Bay
D	Nun "4" off Lloyd Neck	T	Flasher "1" off entrance to Huntington Harbor
E	Nun "2" off Lloyd Neck	W	Inflatable approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles from the starting
F	Gong "15" off Lloyd Point		line will be prominently displayed on the committee boat and may be announced on VHF channel 72
J	Mid Sound buoy "28C" Cable and Anchor Reef	X	Flag on Pin starting/finishing mark
K	"11B" Mid-Sound, off Eaton's Neck	Y	Inflatable south of line connecting marks "R" and "T"
L	Green/Red Can NNW of Eaton's Neck Point	Z	Inflatable no more than 1 mile to leeward of mark "X"

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- 9.2 Government marks Bell "8", Nuns "2", "4" and "6" used as aids to navigation along the north shore of Lloyd Neck must be observed when not designated as marks that do not begin, bound or end the leg of the course the competitor is on. This changes RRS 28.2.
 - **9.2.1** All other government and private aids, when not designated as marks of the course, may be disregarded at the discretion of the skipper.

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started according to RRS 26.

Sample start sequence assuming an 11:00 first signal.

Note: A break in sequence could occur between any or all classes:

CLASS	TIME	ACTION	SOUND	VISUAL SIGNAL
1	11:00	Class 1 warning	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag displayed
	11:01	Class 1 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:04		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
2	11:05	Class 1 start &	Horn/Gun	Class 1 flag removed
		Class 2 warning		Class 2 flag displayed
	11:06	Class 2 prep	Horn/Gun	"P" flag displayed
	11:09		Long Horn	"P" flag removed
3	11:10	Class 2 start &	Horn/Gun	Class 2 flag removed
		Class 3 warning		Class 3 flag displayed

Sequence repeated until all classes have started.

- **10.2** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the flag on mark "X" or a nearby mark of the course.
- **10.3** The race committee 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.
- **10.4** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- **10.5** Any boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS rules A4.2 and A5.

11 COURSES

11.1 Courses will be signaled by the race committee using letter placards indicating the turning marks set forth in sailing instruction 9.1. Marks indicated by letters on a green background shall be left to starboard. Marks indicated by letters on a red background shall be left to port. Class numbers I, II, III, etc., will be displayed. Turning marks will be displayed for each class under its class number and should be read from top to bottom. Refer to the scratch sheet for your boat's class assignment.

12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finish will be between an orange flag on the race committee boat and the flag on mark "X" a pin or a nearby mark of the course.

13 TIME LIMIT

- **13.1** If no boat in a class finishes within three hours of the start of that class, the race for that class will be abandoned.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish by 1730 hrs. in any race will be scored Did Not Finish.
- **13.3** Any boat failing to finish within 30 minutes plus her time allowance from the finish of the first boat in her class will be scored Did Not Finish. This changes RRS rules 35, A4.2 and A5.

14 PENALTIES TAKEN AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT

14.1 The first sentence of RRS Rule 44.1 is changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **15.1** Notice of Protest(s) by the race committee will be made via VHF Channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.2 Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman: Mr. Mike Sterflinger, 220 Taylor St, Centerport NY 11721. Protests shall be delivered to Mr Sterflinger or his representative in person or via email to msterf@gmail.com within one hour of the RC boat's docking time on the race day. The RC boat's docking time will be announced via VHF Channel 72. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee about incidents they observe in their racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 15.3 Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly and posted on the LHYC website to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. A protest against a boat whose representative has not announced his intention to attend the hearing, or who fails to attend the hearing, will be heard without representation from the protested boat as provided by RRS 63.3(b).
- **15.4** Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in RRS 70.5.

16 PROTEST ARBITRATION

- 16.1 An arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing for each incident resulting in a protest by a boat involving a rule of Part 2 or rule 31, but must be held as soon as possible after the race, but only if each party is represented by a person who was on board at the time of the incident. No witnesses will be permitted. However, if the arbitrator decides that rule 44.1(b) may apply or that arbitration is not appropriate, the meeting will not be held, and if a meeting is in progress, it will be closed. If the arbitrator determines that a protest hearing is required it will be scheduled at a future time.
- 16.2 Based on evidence given by the representatives, the arbitrator will offer an opinion as to what the protest committee is likely to decide: (a) the protest is valid, (b) no boat will be penalized for breaking a rule, or (c) one or more boats will be penalized for breaking a rule, identifying the boats and the penalties.
- 16.3 A boat that may have broken a rule may take a Post-Race Penalty as provided in Section 15.2 of these Sailing Instructions. However, the penalty in Section 15.2(a) of these Sailing Instructions is available only until the protest time limit or until the beginning of the arbitration meeting, whichever is earlier. During a meeting, a boat may take a penalty by acknowledging her acceptance of the penalty in writing.
- 16.4 If a boat asks to withdraw her protest, the arbitrator may act on behalf of the protest committee in accordance with rule 63.1 to accept the withdrawal.

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 as calculated by the race committee, regardless of the distance sailed.
- **17.2** Each class will be scored separately in each race.

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 race committee.
- **18.2** A boat withdrawing before the start or retiring from a race for any reason is requested to notify the race committee by VHF Channel 72 at the earliest possible opportunity.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATION

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- **19.1** 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 mobile telephones.
- **19.2** The race committee 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 race committee. Boats shall not be entitled to redress for the following: misstatements by the race committee, or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast.

20 PRIZES

- **20.1** Prizes in each race will be awarded as follows for each class: First if three or more competitors, Second if five or more and Third if seven or more.
- **20.2** The name of the first place finisher in each division of the Winkle Cup race will be placed on the *Winkle Cup* Trophy, which is on permanent display at Centerport Yacht Club.
- **20.3** The *Byers Trophy* will be awarded to the best PHRF spinnaker boat with the lowest overall corrected time in the Winkle Cup race. The *Katrina Cup* will be awarded to the best PHRF spinnaker boat with the lowest overall corrected time (one year retention of the trophy) in the Katrina Cup race.
- **20.4** The *Katrina Cup Race* is a qualifying race for the *Schuster Trophy* awarded to the best overall Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club boat, using Cox-Sprague scoring based upon fleet placement, with the combined scores from the Lloyd Trophy, Stratford Shoal Race and Katrina Cup.
- **20.5** Each race is a qualifying race for North Sails' *Huntington Bay Boat of the Year* Trophy. Participation earns one point per race.
- **20.6** Each race is a qualifier for the YRALIS PHRF Fall, Gitana, Sappho, Competitors, Kings Point and Mertz Trophies.

20.7

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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

Visit the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club Web Site at www.LHYC.org for a link to the regatta scores.

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Illustration A

