

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

## 1. RULES

Races will be governed by the IYRU, the prescriptions of US SAILING, the Racing Rules of the BBYRA and by these Sailing Instructions.

## 2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the vicinity of the registration desk at the regatta headquarters.

## 3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour prior to the scheduled AM or PM Warning Signal.

## 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed at the regatta headquarters.

## 5. ACCOUNTABILITY

5.1 Changes of registered skipper or sail number must be submitted in writing at the registration desk or late entry boat.

5.2 Yachts intending to race shall pass close by the late entry boat so that their sail numbers can be properly recorded. Any registered yacht sailing in the starting area between her preparatory and starting signals will be considered a starter. (See IYRR 74.5).

5.3 The committee will endeavor to account for all entered yachts. If a yacht does not start or fails to finish, the skipper shall report to the Regatta Committee or Patrol Boat flying a numbered patrol flag before leaving the course. Any yacht withdrawing from the race without prompt notice may be disqualified for the next two races.

## 6. CLASS SIGNALS AND STARTING TIMES

See inside

## 7. THE COURSE

7.1 The course chart shows the approximate location of marks, the order in which marks are to be rounded or passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

7.2 The Class designation and number of course to be sailed by that Class will be displayed, contrary to IYRR 5.1, at its Preparatory Signal and remain until its starting signal.

7.3 The Race Committee may signal a windward-leeward course by display of "W" followed by a numeral indicating the number of laps. Rounding marks will be special yellow inflatables. All marks will be left to port.

7.4 The Race Committee may elect to establish a special turning marker for the "E" Sloop Class near the final turning marker of the course. In such case this marker will be an orange cylinder carrying an "E" flag.

7.5 Any special course will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board at least one hour prior to the scheduled Warning Signal.

## 8. MARKS

Marks will be drums painted orange and white with identifying letters painted in black, except as noted.

## 9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with IYRR 4.3(a), System 2(ii) with classes starting at 5 minute intervals in the order shown under Class Signals and Starting Times.

9.2(a) The starting line for the "E" Sloop, Laser, Laser Radial, and Sanderling Classes will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and an orange cylinder with the letter "L" painted on the side at the port end. A midline marker, which will be an orange ball, may be placed as a reference only. It is not a mark of the course and may not be exactly on the line.

9.2(b) The starting line for all other classes will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the committee boat at the starboard end and an orange ball at the port end.

9.3 An orange ball attached to the Committee Boat is considered a part of the mark.

9.4 Yachts not starting, finishing, or on a leg of the course must not interfere with yachts starting and finishing, and may be subject to disqualification for failure to comply with this instruction.

9.5 Yachts may not cross the start or finish line except to start or finish.

## 10. RECALLS

10.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with IYRR 7.1. In addition, the Race Committee may attempt to hail each yacht that has not started correctly. Failure to make or hear such hail will not be grounds for redress.

10.2 Modifying IYRR 7.2, a general recall will be signaled by display of the first substitute over a blue shape (preparatory signal) with a sound signal. Means: "The class is recalled for a new start. This signal will be lowered four minutes after the aborted start with a sound signal. This will be one minute before the restart signal".

10.3 When a general recall has been signaled, starts for the succeeding classes will be postponed accordingly.

## 11. THE FINISH

11.1 The Race Committee will attempt to establish a windward finish for the first class to finish. Failure to do so will not be grounds for redress.

11.2 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat at the starboard end and an orange cylinder with an "L" painted on the side at the port end.

## 12. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be 2 1/2 hours for AM classes and 3 hours for PM classes. A yacht finishing more than 30 minutes after the first yacht of her class finishes or after the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "Did not finish". *no shall be scored*

## 13. PROTESTS

13.1 The BBYRA prescribes the following modification of IYRR 68.3 (a): A protesting yacht must fly Code Flag "B" or a red rectangular flag no smaller than 6 inches by 8 inches in order to signify her intent to protest.

13.2 The BBYRA prescribes the following modification of IYRR 68.3 (c) (ii), a yacht sailed single-handed must keep the protest flag displayed until she has finished and been acknowledged by the Race Committee.

13.3 Protests shall be written on forms available at the regatta headquarters or late registration boat and lodged in accordance with IYRR 68.6.

13.4 Protests not disposed of on a race day will be heard at Regatta Headquarters commencing at 0730 on the next scheduled race day.

#### 14. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

14.1 The 720 Degree Turns Penalty, Appendix B1 of the Racing Rules will apply with the additional provision that when an infringing yacht has its spinnaker drawing at the time of the infringement, drops it completely while taking her penalty and resets it and has it drawing after the penalty, the penalty is one full turn or 360 degrees instead of two full turns.

14.2 Notwithstanding paragraph 14.1, a yacht may elect to accept a Scoring Penalty, Appendix B1 of the Racing Rules.

14.3 Contrary to IYRR Appendix B1.2.1 (b) a yacht sailed single-handed must keep the acknowledge infringement flag displayed until she has finished and been acknowledged by the Race Committee.

14.4 All alternative penalties taken shall be reported to the Regatta Committee immediately after finishing.

#### 15. SAFETY

15.1 All Junior Class Competitors (Junior Laser & Blue Jay) shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy as specified in IYRR 60 at all times while racing.

15.2 When Code Flag "F" is flown by the Race Committee, "E" sloops shall deploy mainsail flotation. Mainsail flotation shall also be deployed whenever Code Flag "Y" (Life Jacket Signal) is displayed prior to the Warning Signal.

15.3 Safety inspections will be conducted at at the discretion of the committee. Code Flag "L" and a class signal displayed at the finish line will indicate a mandatory inspection. Yachts are required to respond by checking in with a safety patrol boat flying code flag "L" and the class signal while laying at anchor to windward of the finish line. All yachts must be acknowledged.

#### 16. POSTPONEMENT SIGNAL ("AP", Answering Pennant)

Modifying IYRR 4.1, the Warning or Preparatory signal will be made one minute after this signal is lowered. This signal made before 1:15 PM does not refer to afternoon races.

#### 17. COME WITHIN HAIL SIGNAL (Code Flag "L")

Modifying IYRR 4.1, code Flag "L", when displayed afloat to indicate "Come within Hail", is mandatory. Failure to respond will be grounds for disqualification.

#### 18. MARK MISSING ("M")

Modifying IYRR 4.2, sound signals while displaying "M" may be omitted.

#### 19. ABANDONMENT SIGNALS ("N" & "N" over "H")

19.1 Modifying IYRR 4.1, when "N" is displayed over a class flag, the Warning or Preparatory signal for that class will be made one minute after this signal is lowered.

19.2 Modifying IYRR 4.1, "N" over "H" means, "All races including those not started are abandoned and will not be sailed." This signal made before 1:15 PM does not refer to afternoon races.

#### 20. SHORTEN COURSE SIGNAL (Code Flag "S")

Modifying IYRR 4.1, this signal displayed at a rounding mark means: "Finish between the rounding mark and the boat displaying this signal."

#### 21. RADIO COMMUNICATION

A yacht shall neither make, receive, nor monitor radio communications while racing.

#### 22. SIGNALS

The following signals will be used in accordance with IYRR 4.1, Visual Signals, except as modified in these Sailing Instructions.

