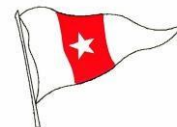


# Hempstead Harbor Wednesday Night Series

## Glen Cove, NY

### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS -2024



#### 1 RULES

This Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*. Owners must be registered on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) prior to racing as described in Notice of Race.

#### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com) prior to 1800 the day before it takes effect.

#### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the sailing instructions will be made prior to 9:00 PM the day before it takes effect, will be posted on [www.yachtscoring.com](http://www.yachtscoring.com).



#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE



The race may be postponed by flying Code flag AP with 2 horns and/or cancelled by flying code flag N with three horns from shore on the HHC club flagpole and as a courtesy by announcing on VHF Radio CH 72, at 1830 and as needed thereafter. When Code flag AP is lowered with one sound signal, warning signal will be in 15 minutes from Sunset.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND STARTING TIMES

Races are every Wednesday Night from May 29, 2024 to August 28, 2024. First Warning Signal shall be made at 1850 for Division 1. Rolling five minute starts for Division 2, (1855 Warning, 1900 Start) and Division 3(1900 Warning, 1905 Start).

#### 6 RACING AREA

The racing area shall be in Hempstead Harbor.

#### 7 COURSES


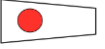

The courses will be displayed on the race committee boat located on permanent mooring west of HHC mooring field . Letters will be displayed vertically with the division number on top. A placard below the course will be Green with the letter S to mean leave marks to starboard, or Red with the letter P to mean leave marks to Port. If a 2X is displayed on the Green or Red placard, the course is to be sailed twice around. In a twice around course, competitors must sail through the gate at the end of the first lap. Division placards above the course letters indicate Division 1, 2 and 3. The scratch sheet is published separately and posted on club website at least 24 hours prior to first race. Skippers are required to obtain scratch sheet to know which Division they are in.

#### 8 MARKS

Government marks and Hempstead Harbour Club Fixed marks as designated in Attachment A to the Sailing Instructions will be used. Fixed club marks are orange Jim buoys. The mooring ball and pennant of RC boat's mooring shall be treated as part of committee boat.

#### 9 STARTING AND FINISHING LINES, STARTING SYSTEM

The starting and finishing lines will be between a white flag on RC boat and the course side of a yellow or orange inflatable cylinder mark for the starting pin set by the race committee. Depending on how the pin is set, it may be left on a different side than the P or S above indicates.

15 minutes	Class Flag 1 raised	1 horn	WARNING Div 1	
14 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Div 1	
11 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Div 1	
10 minutes	Class Flag 1 lowered & Class Flag 2 raised	1 horn	<b>START</b> Div 1 & Warning Div 2	
9 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Div 2	
6 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Div 2	
5 minutes	Class Flag 2 lowered & Class Flag 3 raised	1 horn	<b>START</b> Div 2 & Warning Div 3	
4 minutes	P Flag raised	1 horn	Preparatory Div 3	
1 minutes	P Flag lowered	1 long horn	One minute Div 3	
0 minutes	Class Flag 3 lowered	1 horn	<b>START</b> Div 3	

A competitor starting more than fifteen minutes after her start time shall be scored Did Not Start, DNS. This changes Rule A4.

### 10 CHANGE OF COURSE

Courses maybe changed at a mark of the course or at the RC boat for 2nd lap of a (2X) with repetitive sounds of the horn and may or may not display Code Flag C. The course will be posted on the committee boat for the second lap or mark boat if changed at a mark. If course is changed it must be done before the first boat crosses the gate at the end of the first lap or rounds the mark where course being changed. This modifies Rule 33.



### 11 SHORTEN COURSE

Courses may be shortened to finish at a mark of the course or to 1X on a 2x course by sounding two horns and may or may not display Code flag S. The course can be shortened at the RC boat at the end of the first lap of a 2X course. If course is shortened it must be signaled before first boat reaches the mark or crosses the gate at the end of the first lap. This modifies Rule 32.2



### 12 RECALLS



Individual Recalls: the Race Committee will endeavor to hail individual boats by loud hailer or on VHF radio CH 72. Failure to hear a hail or radio call does not relieve a boat of responsibility to start correctly. Failure of the Race Committee to hail will not be cause for redress. Code flag X may or may not be flown. This modifies Rule 29.1.



General Recall: the Race Committee will sound two horns and hail general recall over VHF radio CH 72. When the Race Committee deems appropriate, it will hoist the Preparatory Signal and sound one horn five minutes before the start. The First Repeater may or may not be flown. This modifies Rule 29.2.

### **13 TIME LIMIT**

Each Division has its own separate time limit. The first boat in each Division has to finish within 2 hours of her Division's start. All other boats have to finish within 45 minutes after the first boat in her Division sails the course and finishes or will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.



### **14 PROTESTS**

Protests shall be delivered to the Regatta Chairmen, or his mailbox at the club, or emailed to him at [HHCRegatta@gmail.com](mailto:HHCRegatta@gmail.com), no later than 2300 hours the day of the finish of the race or 2 hours after the finish, whichever is later. A list of protests received will be posted on the club website. Hearings will be held as soon as possible at HHC, to be scheduled by the Regatta Chairmen.

### **15 SCORING**

Races finishes will be calculated using PHRF time-on-distance. PHRF ratings will be either as indicated on a valid YRA of LIS PHRF certificate or a rating looked up from list of current YRA of LIS PHRF rating(s) of vessel(s) of the same type and modifications. If your type of vessel is not listed you must have a current YRA of LIS PHRF certificate. Club Measurer will confirm all ratings within 10 days of issuing 2023 WNS scratch sheet. Any yacht found not in compliance with proper rating as a result of a protest, will be assigned a penalty rating by Regatta Chairmen and all races rescored.

Low Point Scoring with three throw outs will be used each for First Half Series May 29 to July 10 and Second Half Series July 17 to August 28. Total Series scoring will combine First and Second Halves. If there is no race, everyone will use a throw out for that race.

### **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Boats are required to check in with the Race Committee before the Warning.

Boats withdrawing shall notify the Race Committee in person or via Radio CH 72 as soon as possible.

### **17 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Boats shall monitor VHF Radio CH 72 to hear broadcasts from the Race Committee. Except for an emergency or to hail the Race Committee to indicate a boat is retiring from the race, boats shall not otherwise use the radio while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, except for use of GPS Apps. Crews may use cellphones for non- sailing non- race related activities such as calling a baby sitter.

As a courtesy, the Race Committee may broadcast via VHF radio CH 72 postponements, cancelations or time of warning after a postponement or preparatory after a General Recall. Failure to do so is not grounds for redress.

### **18 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for First if 3 or 4 boats, Second, if five or more boats, for First Half, Second Half and Total Series.

### **19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** In consideration of the sponsorship of this regatta and the acceptance of the participant's entry by Hempstead Harbour Club, each participant hereby agrees that the safety of his/her yacht and crew, and the decision whether to start or continue to race, is his/her responsibility and not the responsibility of the Sponsor. Each participant hereby waives all claims which he/she may have against the Sponsor and their directors, officers, members, committees, employees or volunteers arising out of or in any way connected with his/her participation in this event or any related activity undertaken by any of them in conjunction with, prior to, during or after this event. Each participant represents to the Sponsor that he/she carries adequate property and liability insurance, that he/she will inform his/her insurance carrier of the foregoing waiver and that he/she will inform all crew members of their responsibilities for safety. Each participant further agrees that the foregoing waiver is binding on his/her heirs, representatives, successors and assign. Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk.

### **20 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with appropriate coverage.

**Attachment A: RACING MARKS**

- C Prospect Point RN 4, red nun
- D Hempstead Harbour RN 2, red nun
- E Prospect Point G 23; FL G 4s, green Gong
- G HHC Fixed mark, north of Glen Cove Breakwater, approximately midway between Z and Y;  
N 040° 52.347, W 073° 40.215'
- J HHC Fixed mark, between Y and end of Glen Cove Breakwater;  
N 040° 52.191, W 073° 39.626'
- K Matinecock Point Shoal G 21, FL G 4s, green Gong
- M HHC Fixed mark, South of Creek channel entrance, towards the gravel barge moorings;  
N 040° 50.735', W 073° 39.508'
- S Hempstead Harbor Anchorage Yellow Can B, southerly yellow can
- X RC start/finish line, if used as a gate in the middle of course
- Y Hempstead Harbor GC 1, green Can
- Z Mott Point R6, red Bell

