



# 2014 LORNA WHITTELSEY WOMEN'S REGATTA

September 24-26, 2014

Indian Harbor Yacht Club  
Organizing Authority

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Racing rule 40 and the Preamble to Part 4 will be changed as follows: Except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing or equipment, all competitors shall wear, while on or near the water, a US Coast Guard approved PFD.
- 1.3 Rule 35, A2, A4 and A5 are changed (see instructions 14 and 16).
- 1.4 Appendix S, Sound-Signal Starting System with supplementary visual signals will be used.
- 1.5 Appendix T, Alternative Procedures for Dispute Resolutions, Sections A, B and D will apply.
- 1.6 Ideal 18 Class Rules are changed as follows:
  - 1.6.1 The wetted hull surface shall have anti-fouling bottom paint
  - 1.6.2 Class rule 13.4 is changed to say boats shall be raced with two women.
  - 1.6.3 Membership in the Ideal 18 Class Association is not required.
- 1.7 The equipment required to be aboard each boat while racing is listed in Class Rule 10 which says "one gallon bucket, bilge pump, paddle, USCG Approved wearable lifejacket for each person aboard, a USCG approved throwable flotation device with whistle attached, three pound anchor, and 50 ft. of minimum 1/4" line anchor line which shall not be used as a sail control line and includes a separate throwable PFD with whistle, anchor & anchor line, bucket, pump, and paddle.
- 1.8 Competitors will attest that their boat is compliant with both the equipment and bottom paint requirements. Boats are subject to inspection by the organizing authority or the judges at any time during the regatta.
- 1.9 If a conflict exists between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions govern. This changes rule 63.7.
- 1.10 Per rule 90.2c, changes may be made to the sailing instructions orally.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located inside the front lobby of the Indian Harbor Yacht Club main clubhouse.

### 3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions made prior to 1000 posted before 1000 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.
- 3.2 Changes may be made on the water and will be communicated orally and accompanied by the display of flag L.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the main flagpole to the south of the clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

### 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for Thursday racing is 1055; for Friday it is 0955.
- 5.2 Up to six races may be sailed each day
- 5.3 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, multiple sound signals will be made approximately one minute before a warning signal is made.
- 5.4 On Friday, no warning signal will be made after 1530.

### 6. CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Numeral 1 pennant.

### 7. RACING AREA

The racing area will be inside Captains Harbor.

## **8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 Courses will be windward-leeward with a windward offset mark.
- 8.2 The course will be posted WX where x is the number of legs.

## **9. MARKS**

- 9.1 Marks will be yellow tetrahedrons except that the leeward/finish mark will be an orange tetrahedron.
  - 9.1.1 The leeward and finish mark is the same mark and will be located on the opposite side of the signal boat from the start mark.
- 9.2 The windward offset mark will be a brightly colored buoy.
- 9.3 New marks as provided in instruction 11.1 will be orange tetrahedrons.

## **10. THE START**

- 10.1 Races will be started by using Appendix S the warning signal made three minutes before the starting signal.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the starting mark at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than five minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

## **11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark or gate (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark (or marks) as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2 If the windward mark is changed, a new offset mark will not be set.

## **12. THE FINISH**

- 12.1 For races with an even number of legs, the finish line will be on the opposite side of the signal boat from the start line between a staff displaying a red flag at the starboard end of the line and the course side of the port-end finishing mark.
- 12.2 For races with an odd number of legs, the finish line will be approximately 50 yards to weather of the windward mark.
- 12.3 If the race committee displays code flag A at the finish, racing is concluded for the day.

## **13. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 13.1 The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are 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. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
- 13.2 Appendix T Section B Post-Race Penalties will apply whereby a boat may take a scoring penalty after a race in accordance with Section B if she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or 31 while racing.
- 13.3 Appendix T section D Arbitration will apply.

## **14. TIME LIMITS**

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 60 minutes.
- 14.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within 20 minutes, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 14.3 A boat not finishing within ten minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. This modifies RRS 35, A4 and A5.

## **15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 15.1 At its' first opportunity after finishing or withdrawing from a race, a boat shall notify the Race Committee of its intent to protest another boat, and provide the sail number of the boat to be protested. This adds to RRS 61.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the Club's front desk located inside the lobby. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 15.4 Notices will be posted as soon as possible before or after the protest time limit to inform competitors of arbitrations or hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Notices of protests by the Race Committee will also be posted within the time limit to inform boats of protests under RRS 61.1(b).
- 15.5 The time limit for requests for reopening or redress, based on a hearing or the scoring, is 30 minutes after a hearing decision or scoring results have been posted. This modifies RRS 62.2 & 66.
- 15.6 Breaches of SI's 1.5, 1.6, 17, 18, 19, and 21 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This amends RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for breaches of these instructions may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides. The scoring abbreviation for discretionary penalties imposed under this instruction will be DPI. Discretionary penalties are not discardable.

**16. SCORING**

- 16.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will be used.
- 16.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 16.3 When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.4 Boats scored TLE will receive as a race score points equal to two places more than the last boat that finishes within the time limits, but not worse than DNF.

**17. TRASH DISPOSAL**

Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

**18. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

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

**19. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

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.

**20. PRIZES**

- 20.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st through 3rd place for both crews. The winners' names will be inscribed on The Lorna Whittelsey Trophy which will remain at IHYC.
- 20.2 The winner of the Lorna Whittelsey Trophy will be allocated a boat to sail in the Ideal 18 North Americans, September 27 – 28. In the event that she cannot attend or plans to attend and has a boat available to her, the boat will be offered to next highest finishing competitor. If needed, this process will repeat down to fifth place.

**21. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance. The Organizing Authority may request proof of insurance.

**22. SAFETY AND DISCLAIMER**

Competitors participate in this regatta entirely on their own responsibility. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the Organizing Authority the Indian Harbor Yacht Club, its officers, trustees, committee members, and employees, and the Race Committee, Protest Committee, race course assistants, and volunteers 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.

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