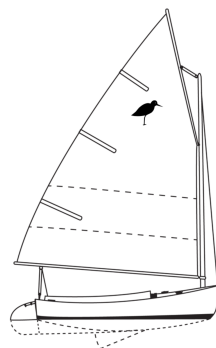


# SANDPIPER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

## JULY 29-31, 2021



### SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the rules of the Sandpiper Class Association.
- 1.2** The Sailing Instructions (SI's), including amendments, will take precedence in the case of a conflict with the Notice of Race (NOR). This changes RRS 63.7

#### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Mantoloking Yacht Club Sailing Center Building.

#### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except any changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. These sailing instructions can be changed verbally on the water. If so the Race Committee shall hoist the L flag and announce the change 3 times over the Race Committee radio channel, VHF Channel 6.

#### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Mantoloking Yacht Club flagpole.
- 4.2** When AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS, Race Signals.

#### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 5.1** There will be a competitors meeting on Thursday, July 29th at 0830 at the Mantoloking Yacht Club Sailing Center. There are a maximum of 8 races scheduled. The Race Committee may change the schedule of races to accommodate the wind conditions. No more than 4 races will be sailed on one day. The scheduled races are as follows:

Thursday, July 29: Races 1-4  
Friday, July 30: Races 5-8

Saturday, July 31: Make up day

- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1030. Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. There will be a short break for lunch on the water on Thursday and Friday.
- 5.3 To alert boats of the first race of the day, or after a lunch postponement, the orange / red starting line flag will be displayed with multiple sounds, at least 4 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.4 If racing is conducted on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> (make up day) no warning signal will be made after 1400.

## 6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the “Green Island Course” in Upper Barnegat Bay. Attachment “A” shows the location of the racing area.

## 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The course will be windward-leeward (W), triangle (T) or WLS with all marks rounded to port. The course WLS will have a long first windward mark and a shorter windward mark on any other windward legs
- 7.2 The course W, WLS or T and the number of legs will be displayed on a placard from the Race committee boat.
- 7.3 An offset mark will be employed at the long weather mark. Boats shall round the offset mark to port after rounding the weather mark. In the event of a course change there may not be an offset mark.

## 8 MARKS

- 8.1 The turning marks of the course will be yellow inflatable balls.
- 8.2 The offset mark will be an orange ball.
- 8.3 If a short windward mark course is used the short windward mark will be a pink tetrahedron
- 8.4 The starting and finishing marks will an orange or red flag on a staff flown from a “Pin Boat”.
- 8.5 The change mark will be a yellow and black inflatable buoy

## 9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange or red flag on a committee boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.3. The race committee may attempt to hail and broadcast sail numbers of boats that are OCS on VHF Channel 6. Failure to hail or broadcast any sail numbers; failure of a boat to receive the recall hail or broadcast; a boat’s position in the sequence of hail or broadcast numbers; promptness of the hail or broadcast shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1.
- 9.4 The Class Flag will be the “O” flag; Numeral Pennant # 2 may be substituted for the class flag

## 10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 10.1 When having signaled a change for the next leg of the course, the new mark(s), will be a yellow and black inflatable buoy(s). An offset mark may not be in place with a course

change to windward

## **11 THE FINISH**

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a staff flying an orange or red flag on the finish boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 11.2 Boats that have finished shall avoid the finishing area.

## **12 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 12.1 Penalties at the time of an incident shall be a One-Turn Penalty. This changes RRS 44.2
- 12.2 **The penalty, if any, for a violation of a rule other than a rule of RRS Part 2 and RRS 31 will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1(a).**

## **13 TIME LIMIT**

- 13.1 The time limit for all races will be 90 minutes.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 Protest forms are available at the MYC Sailing Center. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the Chief Judge or the PRO within the appropriate time limit.  
A boat intending to file a protest shall notify the RC when finishing or immediately after the finish of each race
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the signal boat docks at Mantoloking Yacht Club.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Mantoloking Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.
- 14.4 **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 RRS 62.2.**
- 14.5 **The US Sailing prescription for RRS 63.2 shall not be in effect for this event. This changes RRS 63.**

## **15 SCORING**

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 If 5 or more races are completed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1 All boats must complete a Required Equipment check at registration in which they will be required to show proof of each item on a Required Equipment list.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible on VHF Channel 6.

## **17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

- 17.1 All boats shall carry the safety equipment required by the Sandpiper Class Association

Rules and these sailing instructions.

**17.2** Boats are subject to inspection for all safety equipment including, but not limited to, towline of at least 30', bilge pump, bucket, paddle, suitable anchor and anchor line, whistle, life vests for each crewmember, and a VHF radio. Boats must conform to all the requirements of the Sandpiper Class Association Rules. A failed inspection will be scored as a DSQ.

**18 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. VHF radio channel 6 to be used for emergencies and communication of race information.

**19 PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to competitors placing first through fifth. The Sandpiper National Championship perpetual trophy will be presented to the winner of the regatta.

**20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.

