



Sailing Instructions – 2023 Big Tom City Island Cup June 10, 2023

1.0 EVENT

- 1.1 Big Tom City Island Cup sailed on or about the waters of the Long Island Sound
- 1.2 The organizing authority is the Harlem Yacht Club

2.0 RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-24 (RRS), the regulations of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRALIS), the Notice of Race (NOR) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 Boats shall keep clear of commercial shipping as required by the IRCAS or other government right-of-way rules.
- 2.3 In the event of a conflict, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail.

3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Changes shall be posted online at yachtscoring.com by 1900 on June 9th, 2023.
- 3.2 Race Committee will communicate with the fleet via VHF-71.
- 3.3 The scratch sheet will be posted on yachtscoring.com by 1900 on June 9th, 2023.
- 3.4 The Race Committee will make general announcements via VHF-71 after 1100 and before the first warning signal.
- 3.5 Courses, Starting Warnings and Recalls will be announced on VHF-71.

4.0 CLASSES

- 4.1 Boats will be assigned to classes on the scratch sheet.

5.0 SCHEDULE AND LOCATION

- 5.1 The race will take place June 10th, 2023. The start and finish will be in Eastchester Bay
- 5.2 The first warning gun will be no earlier than 1155 on June 10th.
- 5.3 Prior to the start, each boat shall check in with the Race Committee

6.0 THE START AND FINISH

- 6.1 The Start and Finish shall be between an Orange/Blue flag on the Race Committee boat and the Big Tom "S" mark just North of Red Can 46a.
- 6.2 Races will be started in accordance with RSS 26. Class Flags will be designated on the scratch sheet.
- 6.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

7.0 MARKS AND COURSES

7.1 Courses shall be announced on VHF-71 and shown on the RC boat.

7.2 The courses shall be as follows:

Course A	Course B	Course C	Course D	Course E
R "32A" (Mid Sound) – round to Port	G "21" (Matinecock) – round to Port	G "23" (Prospect Point) – round to Port	G "25" (Sands Point) – round to Port	G "29" (Hewlett Point) – round to Port
Finish at "S"	Finish at "S"	G Can "1" (N of Execution Rocks) - round to Port Finish at "S"	Finish at "S"	Finish at "S"

8.0 TIME LIMIT

8.1 All boats must finish within 4 hours of their start or be scored DNF.

9.0 PROTESTS

9.1 A competitor intending to file a protest shall hail the Race Committee on VHF-71 promptly after finishing the race, announcing the name of the yacht protesting and the name of the yacht being protested.

9.2 Protests shall be emailed to the Race Committee within 1 hour of the protesting boat's last finish time for the last race on that day. Protest RC email is race@hyc.org.

9.3 Protests will be heard at the yacht club as soon as practical after racing.

10.0 SCORING

10.1 PHRF Handicaps will be adjusted using Time-on-Time based on a time correction factor (TCF) derived from a yacht's PHRF certificate distance rating, using the formula $TCF = 600/(480+PHRF)$.

11.0 SAFETY

11.1 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee.

12.0 QUESTIONS

12.1 Questions regarding these instructions can be directed to race@hyc.org

13.0 AWARDS

13.1 Trophies will be awarded at Harlem Yacht Club at a race party between 4-7pm. Complimentary beer, wine, appetizers, and snacks will be available for race crew and their guests. Free guest moorings are available.