

54th Lawrence I. Clarke Memorial 'Round Gardiner's Island Race Saturday, August 26th, 2023

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Rules. The race will be governed by the "Rules" as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 ("RRS") and the General Conditions and Rules of the Eastern Long Island Yachting Association ("ELIYA"), except as altered by these Sailing Instructions.
- 2. Changes in Sailing Instructions. Changes in these Sailing Instructions may be made at any time up to one hour before the first scheduled start. Any changes in these Sailing Instructions will be communicated via VHF on Channel 11. All correspondence, entries, scratch sheets and announcements will be via Yacht Scoring
- 3. Check in and Retirement. Prior to the warning signal for its division, each competitor shall sail past the Race Committee boat (on station) or contact them via VHF channel 11 and hail her name and sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

If a yacht decides to retire, she shall notify the Committee Boat via VHF Channel 11 or the Devon Yacht Club office (631.267.6340 ext. 10)

4. Start Sequence. The Race will be started in accordance with Rule 26 of the RRS using the following sequence signals for each Division until all Divisions have been started:

Signal	Flag & Sound	Minutes Before Starting Signal
Warning	Class Flag, Long horn	5
Preparatory	"P" flag, Short horn	4
One-minute	"P" flag removed, Long hor	m 1
Starting	Class flag removed, Long h	orn 0

The starting sequence for the first Division(s) will commence at 1000 and the other Divisions' starting sequences will be in approximately 5-minute intervals thereafter.

Divisions might not start in numerical order. The Race Committee may combine two or more divisions into one start by displaying multiple Division Flags at the Warning

Signal. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce the next Division(s) to start on VHF Channel 11.

- <u>5. Scratch Sheets.</u> Scratch sheets will be available on Yacht Scoring after 1830 on Friday, August 25, 2023.
- 6. Start. The Start line is between a Flag on the mast of the Devon Committee Boat and C "11" in Gardiner's Bay. Any boat that does not start within 15 minutes of the actual start of its division shall be scored as DNS.
- 7. Recalls. In the case of an Individual Recall, the Race Committee, as a courtesy, will attempt to notify the offending boat by radio. The failure of the Race Committee to send, or the failure of the offending boat to receive, such a message shall not be grounds for redress.
- **8.** Course. The course will be posted by the Committee the day of the race, from the Devon Committee Boat and a white board, using either code flag "A" or "B"

COURSE A Start at C "11" N "8" to Port N "6" to Port N "4" to Port N "2" to Port RW "S" Mo (A) Bell to Port C "1" off Bostwick Point, Gardiner's Island, To Port "1GI" at the Ruins to Port N "14" at Crow Shoal to Port C "11" to Starboard

N"8" to Port

COURSE B

Start at C "11"

N"14" at Crow Shoal to Starboard "1GI" at the Ruins to Starboard

C"1" off Bostwick Point, Gardiner's Island, to

starboard

RW"S" Mo (A) Bell to Starboard

N"2" to Starboard N"4" to Starboard

- **9. Finish.** The finish line is between a flag on a Devon Race Committee Boat and an orange tetrahedron in the vicinity of N6. The oyster beds in front of Devon are closed to the race. Be aware there are shoals between N4 and Devon.
- **10. Time Limit.** If no participant has finished the Race by 1730 hours, it will be considered **No Race**.
- 11. Distance and Shortened Course. The course(s) are approximately 24 miles and may be shortened at the discretion of the Race Committee. Shortening the course will be done in accordance with RRS 32. A shortened course will be signaled by code flag "S" (Sierra) on a Devon Committee Boat on station at any mark of the course. Two sounds will be made as the first boat approaches any shortened finish line.
- 12. Communications. The Race Committee Boat will broadcast on and monitor VHF 11.

- **13. Protest.** A participant intending to protest must inform the Race Committee upon finishing the Race and must deliver a written protest on the form prescribed by ELIYA no later than 1 hour after the RC boat docks in the marina in person to the Devon Sailing Director or via email directed to sailingdirector@devonyc.com. In accordance with Appendix T of the RRS, an arbitration meeting will be held prior to a protest hearing if a member of each of the involved boats is available in person. A protest hearing, if required, will follow immediately.
- **14. Safety.** It is recommended that all boats be compliant with the current US Safety Requirements. Under RRS 3, Decision to Race, the safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge of the boat. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk.
- **15. Information Request.** Please call the Devon Yacht Club office at 631.267.6340 with any questions or by email to sailingdirector@devonyc.com.