

Sailing Instructions

INTERCOLLEGIATE OFFSHORE REGATTA

Organized by The Storm Trysail Club and Larchmont Yacht Club

October 12 & 13, 2024

LARCHMONT YACHT CLUB, LARCHMONT, NY

The notation [DP] in a *rule* means that the penalty for a breach of the *rule* may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

The notation [NP] in a *rule* means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes rule 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, Rule V2 will apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T, Arbitration will apply as changed. This changes rule 63.3(a).
- 1.4 Class rules relating to number of crew, crew weight and the timing for extending sprits do not apply in this regatta. However, sprits should only be extended in anticipation of setting the spinnaker and should be retracted as soon as possible after rounding the leeward mark. Rule 87 is deleted in this instance.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official bulletin board on the Veranda at the Larchmont Yacht Club and on YachtScoring.com

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the official bulletin board by 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS/SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 The regatta VHF channel will be VHF channel 05A. Boats shall monitor this channel at all times while on the water. A hand-held VHF radio as a back-up is recommended.
- 4.2 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flagpole at Larchmont Yacht Club.
- 4.3 In the event of a postponement (flag AP), "1 Minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS/RACES

- 5.1 It is the intention of the Race Committee to conduct as many races as practical in the prevailing conditions up to a maximum of seven races.
- 5.2 Flag A displayed with no sound while boats are finishing means "No more racing today." The Race Committee will also announce this on the regatta VHF channel.
- 5.3 The completion of one race will constitute the series.
- 5.4 Unless provided in advance with an exemption by the Race Committee, crews shall participate in a practice session and on-board safety briefing on Friday afternoon, from 1200 to 1700.
- 5.5 The schedule of events/racing is as follows:

<u>Friday, October 11</u>	<u>Saturday, October 12</u>	<u>Sunday, October 13</u>
1130: Practice begins	0700: Registration	0930: First Warning
1700: Registration opens	0900: Skippers' Meeting	1400: No Warning after this time
1830: Registration closes	1100: First Warning	

Sailing Instructions

6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Class flags will be the numeral pennant for the class number indicated on the scratch sheet.
- 6.2 (NP) Each boat shall fly its class flag from the backstay.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in Western Long Island Sound southeasterly of Larchmont Harbor. A chart of the area will be provided.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be windward/leeward with an offset mark per the Course Diagrams (see below).
- 8.2 The Race Committee will display the course for each class and the bearing and range to the windward mark. It will also announce this information on the regatta VHF channel.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may set a gate for the leeward mark for courses 1,2 & 3. If no gate is set, round the leeward mark to port.
- 8.4 For boats sailing course 4, the starting line and finish line are OBSTRUCTIONS except when starting or finishing.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The start mark at the port end, the windward mark, and the finish mark will be orange inflatables.
- 9.2 The start and windward orange inflatables may be MarkSetBots.
- 9.3 In the event of a course change, the new mark will be a yellow inflatable mark. In the event of a subsequent course change, an original mark will be used.
- 9.4 The leeward mark or the gate marks for courses 1, 2, 3 & 4 will be yellow inflatable marks.
- 9.5 The offset mark will be an orange ball set approximately 50 yards from the weather mark.
- 9.6 The Race Committee may drop a "keep-away" mark off the stern of the Committee Boat. This mark should be considered part of the Committee Boat for the purpose of Rule 31.

10 CHECK-IN

(NP) Prior to the first scheduled Warning Signal each day, boats shall sail on starboard tack, or motor by, the stern of the signal boat and check in by hailing their sail number, until they receive acknowledgement from the race committee. Boats with mainsail numbers that do not match their sail numbers on the scratch sheet shall bring this to the attention of the signal boat at check-in. To allow official announcements to proceed on schedule, there will be no check-in by VHF.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26 with classes starting at five minute intervals, if possible.
- 11.2 Classes will start in the order in which their class flags are displayed which MAY NOT be in numerical order. The Race Committee will announce the order of the starts on the regatta VHF channel.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between the course side of the starting mark and a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat.
- 11.4 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting line and boats starting.
- 11.5 In the event of a wind shift during the starting sequence, the Race Committee may, after a postponement and before starting another sequence, hoist Flag "C" with a series of short horn blasts. This will indicate a change in the direction of the first windward leg which will be posted on the signal boat. Classes starting after Flag "C" is flown will sail to a change mark (see SI 9.2) as their windward mark. The Race Committee will announce this change on the regatta VHF channel (05A).
- 11.6 In the event of sustained winds over 15 knots or gusts over 20 knots the Race Committee shall inform the fleet that no spinnakers will be used over the regatta VHF channel and by flying code flag "V" from the signal boat with the class's preparatory signal.

Sailing Instructions

12 RECALLS

- 12.1 The Race Committee will hail boats OCS on the regatta VHF channel (05A).
- 12.2 The failure to hear such a hail and the order of the hail shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1 (b) and rule 62.1.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish line will be between the course side of the finish mark and staff on the signal boat displaying a blue flag. The Race Committee may set a second finish mark on the starboard side of the committee boat. If this is done, the finish line will be between the two marks. The Race Committee will announce this change on the regatta VHF Channel (05A).
- 13.2 For courses 1 and 3, the finish line will be between the course side of the windward mark and a staff displaying a blue flag on a nearby official boat.

14 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in a class to sail the course and finish will be 90 minutes. Boats that do not finish within 30 minutes after the first boat in their class will be scored TLE. This changes RRS 35 and Appendix A.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS Appendix A2.1
- 15.2 Boats scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) will receive points equal to the number of boats that finished within the time limit plus two (2), but in no case will a boat be scored worse than DNF.
- 15.3 The overall series winner will be determined by the highest winning percentage of the class winners. Winning percentage is calculated by dividing a boat's high point score by the maximum number of points available. The maximum number of boats available is calculated by multiplying the number of boats in a class by the number of races.
- 15.4 PHRF classes will be scored "time on time" using YRA of LIS PHRF W/L ratings.
- 15.5 One race will constitute the series. In the event that only one race is completed, the overall trophies will not be awarded.

16 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 16.1 The Scoring Penalty, Rule 44.3 will apply.
- 16.2 Boats taking a scoring penalty shall notify the Race Committee on the regatta VHF channel (05A) at the completion of the race.

17 PROTESTS

- 17.1 Boats intending to file a protest shall notify the Race Committee on the regatta VHF channel (05A) at the completion of the race and provide the sail number of the protested boat(s).
- 17.2 Protest forms are available at the LYC front desk. Completed protest forms shall be delivered to the protest desk located on the second floor of the Clubhouse within the protest time limit, which is one hour after the Race Committee comes ashore. This time limit and a list of protests will be posted on the official bulletin board. Protests will be heard as soon as possible in the approximate order in which they are received. Protest results will be posted on the official bulletin board and YachtScoring.
- 17.3 At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add (c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears the protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3 (a).
- 17.4 On the last day of the regatta, the time limit for reopening a hearing or requesting redress is one hour after the decision is announced or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2 and RRS 66.

Sailing Instructions

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

Approved personal flotation shall be worn at all times while on the water.

19 CREW

- 19.1 The number of crew for a boat will be the same throughout the regatta unless a change is authorized by the Race Committee.
- 19.2 Individual crew members may be rotated or replaced at the discretion of the team.
- 19.3 All crew members must sign a Waiver of Liability.

20 SAIL SELECTION

Sail selection will normally be left up to the sailors (with the advice of the owner or owner's representative). However, the Race Committee reserves the right to specify by the display of Code Flag "J" – that a working Jib of 110% LP or less shall be used and to prohibit the use of spinnakers. Announcements regarding sail restrictions will be made on the regatta VHF channel.

21 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC

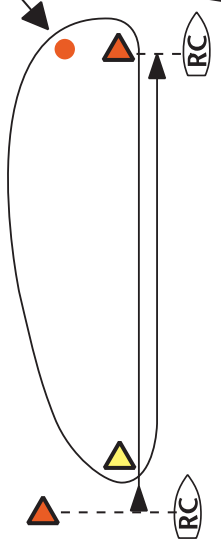
Boats are cautioned to be on the lookout for and yield the right of way to commercial vessels, particularly those with limited ability to maneuver such as tugs and barges.

Sailing Instructions

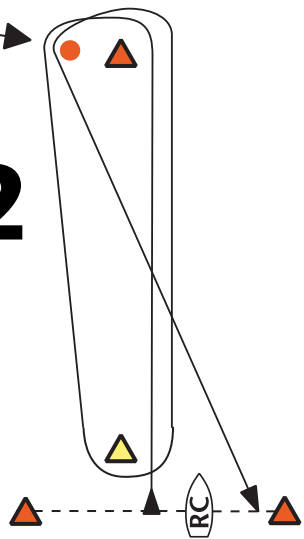
Course Diagrams

Offset
Mark

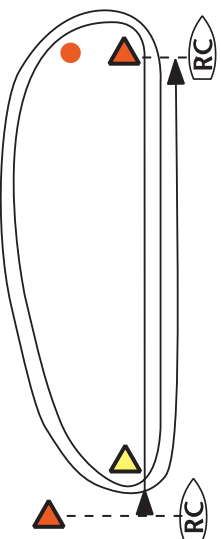
1



2



3



4

