



Larchmont Yacht Club

Ideal 18 North American Championships

September 17, 18 and 19, 2010

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012* (RRS).
- 1.2 Part 5 Section B is changed to provide for arbitration of protests of Part 2 rules.

2 NOTICES AND CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the front porch of the main clubhouse.
- 2.2 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be posted not later than 0830 on the day it will take effect. Any changes in the schedule will be posted before 1900 on the day before it will take effect. Copies will be available at the front desk of the Club and posted on the Official Notice Board.

3 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located on the front lawn. If a postponement is signaled ashore (flags "I" over "AP" with 2 sounds), the first warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after the "I" over "AP" is lowered.

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 17

1700 – 2100 Registration & Check In

Saturday, September 18

0900 Skippers' Meeting – Front Veranda of Club House

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First Warning

1800 Dinner

Sunday, September 19

0930 Harbor Start

1030 First Warning

1430 No warning signal after this time

Awards will be presented shortly after the completion of racing on Sunday

- 4.1 The regatta committee intends to run multiple races. The number of races conducted is at the sole discretion of the regatta committee. If a subsequent race will be run, the race committee will signal its intention by flying code flag "R" at the finish of the previous race.

5 RACING AREA

The racing area will be in the waters off Larchmont Harbor as described at the skippers' meeting.

6 LIFE PRESERVERS

Life preservers must be worn at all times by skipper and crew while on the water.

This changes the preamble to the Part 4 rules.

7 COURSES AND MARKS

7.1 Course will be windward-leeward or Harry Anderson

For course:

- 1 Consisting of a weather mark– windward, finishing to leeward leaving the race committee boat to port.
 - 2 Consisting of two (2) marks – windward, leeward, finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard.
 - 3 Consisting of two (2) marks – windward, leeward, windward, finishing to leeward leaving the race committee boat to port.
 - 4 Consisting of two (2) marks – windward, leeward, windward, leeward, finishing to windward leaving the race committee boat to starboard.
- H Consisting of three (3) marks – windward, reach, starting pin left to starboard, leeward, windward finish

7.2 The leeward mark will be to leeward of the starting line.

7.3 Courses will be displayed from the committee boat.

7.4 Course lengths are at the discretion of the committee.

7.5 The start / finish line will be closed.

7.6 Marks will be orange hippity-hops or inflatables and shall be rounded to port, except as noted in course H

8 THE START AND FINISH LINE

8.1 Races will be started in accordance with Sound-Signal Starting System Appendix S.

8.2 The starting line and finish line will be between a yellow flag on the committee boat and a floating staff displaying a yellow flag.

9 RECALLS

9.1 The race committee will endeavor to identify recalled boats by sail number using a loud hailer.

9.2 Failure of a boat to hear her recall notification and the order and timing of such hail shall not be grounds for redress.

9.3 If flag “I” is displayed prior to the starting sequence of the race, rule 30.1, the I Flag rule, will be in effect for that start.

10 TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be one hour. Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat will be scored “Time Limit Expired” (TLE). and shall be given two (2) points more than the number of finishers, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF. This changes rule 35.

11 WITHDRAWAL

A boat that withdraws from the race or that does not intend to start a scheduled race shall notify the race committee at the first opportunity.

12 SCORING

12.1 Three (3) completed races will constitute a series.

12.2 The Race Committee intends to run multiple races. If fewer than 6 races are completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. If 6 or more races are completed a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3(b).

13 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded on Sunday, September 19, on the front lawn of the Larchmont Yacht Club for first place through third place.

14 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

15 PROTESTS

15.1 A boat intending to protest is requested to notify the race committee promptly after finishing that race.

15.2 (a) Protest forms are available at the front desk.

(b) Written protests shall be delivered to the protest committee desk located at the top of the main staircase of the clubhouse no later than 1 hour after the race committee comes ashore.

(c) The expiration time for filing written protests will be posted on the official notice board.

(d) A list of protests in the approximate order in which they will be heard will be posted on the official notice board.

(e) Hearings will begin as soon as practicable after written protests are filed. Witnesses must be available when called. If they do not appear when called, they may not be heard.

16 ARBITRATION

16.1 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule in Part 2 – When Boats Meet, a short arbitration hearing will be held prior to a protest hearing. This changes Part 5 Section B of the *RRS*.

16.2 After a written protest is filed, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses will be allowed.

16.3 A boat that accepts fault at the arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty of 40% of the number of entries (rounded upward 0.5) added to her finish position, except that she shall not be scored worse than DNF.

16.4 The arbitrator is neither the race nor protest committee; therefore, decisions made during arbitration cannot be grounds for redress and cannot be appealed.

16.5 The arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears the protest but may be permitted to observe testimony presented and offer testimony. This changes rule 63.3(a).

17 CONDUCT AND RESPONSIBILITY

17.1 The skipper/owner shall be responsible for all actions of his or her crew or guests. In the event of a breach of conduct, sportsmanship, destruction of property, or failure to comply with the request of any race officer, committee member or agent of the Larchmont Yacht Club, the skipper/owner will be held responsible and his/her boat shall be subject to protest and disqualification.

17.2 The Larchmont Yacht Club is not responsible and will not accept any liability for bodily injury, death or property damage suffered from any cause. Each participant, including skipper and crew, participates in the regatta entirely at his/her own risk and waives any and all claims, including those arising from negligence or lack of due care, which he/she may have against the Larchmont Yacht Club, its regatta committee, and its officers, trustees, committee members, members, agents, or employees. Responsibility for evaluating the wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each participant as does responsibility for the safe condition of the boat, including safety equipment and rigging and for deciding when to wear life jackets. Patrol boats or other assistance will not likely be available. Assistance, if any, from the regatta committee or other Larchmont Yacht Club vessels, or other patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is entirely at the risk of the participant.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Larchmont Yacht Club, 1 Woodbine Ave., Larchmont, NY 10538. Telephone 914-468-7736. Fax 914-834-2890.

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