

### PANERAI NEWPORT CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA

August 26-27, 2017 Presented by IYRS

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The 38th Annual Panerai Newport Classic Yacht Regatta presented by IYRS (PNCYR) is part of the North American Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge which also includes The Nantucket Regatta (Nantucket, MA), The Nantucket Opera House Cup Regatta (Nantucket, MA), The Corinthian Classic Yacht Regatta (Marblehead, MA), and The Herreshoff Classic Yacht Regatta (Bristol, RI).

**1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** The Organizing Authority (OA) for the 38th Panerai Newport Classic Yacht Regatta presented by IYRS (PNCYR) is Sail Newport.

#### 2. RULES

2.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS 2017-2020), US Sailing Prescriptions and the 2017 North American Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge (NAPCYC) Regulations available at the Panerai Classic Yachts Challenge website (goo.gl/TcTAW6).

2.2. For the purposes of rules 14 and 44.1, any contact between boats shall be considered serious damage. This changes rule 44.1. 2.3. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail. This changes rule 63.7.

2.4. Crew Waiver: No crew shall be aboard a yacht while racing unless he/she has executed an online Crew Waiver Form available on the Newport Classic Yacht Regatta Website. Registration will not be complete without receipt of a Crew Waiver Form from each person competing.

**3. NOTICE to COMPETITORS** Notices to competitors, including protest notices, will be posted on the official notice board located in the Restoration Hall at IYRS. An unofficial notice board will be available at https://yachtscoring.com/notice\_board\_summary.cfm.

**4. CHANGE IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be read at the Skipper's Meeting, and will be posted on the official notice board.

**5. SCHEDULE** There will be skipper's meetings at the Herreshoff Museum at 0930 hours on Saturday. The warning gun for the race from Bristol to Newport on Saturday and in Newport on Sunday will be 1155 hours.

**6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE** Signals made ashore will be displayed from The Herreshoff Marine Museum flagpole on Saturday and from the IYRS flagpole on Sunday. Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, means the races have been postponed. The warning signal will be made not less then one half hour after the "AP" is lowered. An announcement regarding the Race Committee intentions will be made on VHF channel 79A.

**7. CLASS FLAGS** An amendment will be issued at the skippers meeting listing the classes, anticipated starting order, ratings if applicable and class flags.

**8. RACING AREA, COURSE DESIGNATIONS AND COURSES** Boats will rendezvous west of Popasquash Point on Saturday and between Rose

and Goat Islands on Sunday. The race committee will operate on VHF channel 79A. The course will be posted at the warning signal from the committee boat, and will be announced on VHF channel 79A. The following is a list of South Bay race chart buoys from which the course will be selected:

6. Green "3" Gong – S.E. of Rose Island 9. Green Can "5" - N.E. of Rose Island 10. Red Nun "2" – S.W. of Coasters Harbor 11. Green/Red Can Midchannel Buoy – S.W. Coasters Harbor 12. Green Can "7" – S.W. of Coasters Harbor 13. Green/Red "EP" FI G Bell – N. of Pell Bridge 18. Green/Red Can – Fiske Rock, N.N.E of Halfway Rock 20. Green Can "5" – N.W. of Conanicut Point 21. Green "WR 21" Q G - S.E. of Prudence Island 22. Red "2" FI R – N.E. of Conanicut Point 23. Green Can "3" – N. of Conanicut Point 24. Red "24" FI R Bell - N.W. of Dyer Island F. Red "2" FI R – E. of Jamestown J. Red "4" Gong – W. of Brenton Reef K. Red "2" Q R Whistle - S.W. of Brenton Reef N. Green/Red "NR" Bell – S.W. of Beavertail Point O. Green "7" FI G Gong – S.E. of Kettle Bottom Rock P. Red "6" Bell – W. of Butter Ball Rock Q. Green "9" FI G Gong – E. of Fort Wetherill R. Green "11" Q G Bell – E. of The Dumplings S. Red "12" FI R Bell – S.W. of Rose Island T. Red Nun "12A" - N.W. of Rose Island V. Green "17" Q G – E. of Gould Island X. Red "14" FI R Bell – N.W. of Coasters Harbor Y. Green Can "1" - S.W. of Goat Island TB. Green "3" FI G Gong – E. of Whale Rock TL. Red Nun "22" - S.W. of Dyer Island TX. Red/Green Nun "PI" – S. of Prudence Island WC. Green "7" Q G – S.E. of Quonset Point WE. Green "9" FI G - S.E. of Quonset Point WF. Green "11" FI G – E. of Quonset Point WG. Green "13" FI G – N.E. of Quonset Point WM. Red Nun "4" - N.W. of Conanicut Point WC. Green "7" Q G – S.E. of Quonset Point WD. Plum Beach Light House WE. Green "9" FI G – S.E. of Quonset Point WF. Green "11" Fl G – E. of Quonset Point WG. Green "13" FI G – N.E. of Quonset Point WM. Red Nun "4" - N.W. of Conanicut Point

(Additional marks not displayed on the race chart.)
B. RG "SP" Fl (2+1) R 6s - .74 NM NW Sandy Point
C. R "26" Fl R 4s Bell - .37 NM SSE Sandy Point
D. R "2A" Bell - .15 NM S Seal Ledge
E. R "2" Fl R 6s - .4 NM SW Hope Island
90. Special Mark #1
91 Special Mark #2
92 Special Mark #3
94 Special Mark #4
99 Finish in Newport Harbor just West of IYRS

**Special Mark Description:** The Race Committee may elect to position a special mark which will be a yellow tetrahedron to achieve a particular course configuration. If used, the distance and bearing to the special mark from the committee boat will be displayed below the course. In some cases, the direct line from the committee boat to the special mark may be across land.

Turning marks for each course will be posted with black letters or numbers on a large white board from the committee boat in order of rounding, with the subscript for each mark designating the required side, P means leave to Port, S means leave to starboard. The race committee will also announce the courses on VHF 79A.

**Marks to be Observed:** Passage under the Newport Bridge shall be made through the center span only. For purposes of RRS 32.2(c), the center span of the Newport Bridge shall be considered gates.

#### 9. THE START

9.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The start on Saturday will be west of Popasquash Point. The finish on Saturday will be northwest of Green Can "1" at the entrance to Newport Harbor. The start for Sunday will be west of the entrance to Newport Harbor.

9.2 The start and finish line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby mark. Unless mark 99 is signaled as part of the course, the start and finish line will be in approximately the same location for each race.

### **10.PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1.The Scoring Penalty of rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty shall be 20% of the number of boats entered in the applicable class. The minimum penalty shall be 2 places.

10.2.The penalty, if any, for a violation of a rule other than a rule of Part 2, shall be at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee, and may be other than disqualification. This changes rule 64.1.

**11. TIME LIMIT** The time limit for each class shall be 5 hours.

### **12. PROTESTS**

12.1. A yacht's intention to protest shall be communicated to the Race Committee upon finishing the race in which the protest occurred. This modifies RRS 61.1(a).

12.2. Protest forms will be available from the Protest Secretary located at IYRS. Written protests shall be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than one hour after the docking of the Race Committee Signal Boat. The protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

12.3. Protest notices will be posted as soon as possible and the Protest Committee will attempt to hear protests in the order of receipt. Representatives of yachts who are parties to a hearing shall remain on call in the vicinity of Restoration Hall at IYRS. 12.4. When a yacht has been involved in an incident that may be subject to protest, it is her responsibility to check the protest notices at the end of the protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest. Failure of any yacht to appear when called for a hearing will be considered by the Protest Committee as grounds for proceeding under RRS 63.3(b).

12.5. RRS 63.5 is modified by adding, "A protest involving contact may be heard by the Protest Committee even if the requirements of RRS 61.1 (a) and 61.3 have not been fulfilled."

12.6. The penalty for a yacht that has broken a rule other than a rule of Part 2 shall be at the sole discretion of the Protest

Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1(a).

12.7. Rating protests must be filed by 0930 on Saturday August 26, 2017.

### 13. SCORING

13.1. One completed race constitutes a series.

13.2. A boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores. This alters rule A2.

13.3. Handicap classes will be scored based on CRF Mk II ratings and course distances calculated using 81.0 as a scratch boat calculation for all CRF Mk II classes.

13.4. One - Design and Formula classes will be scored level. 13.5. Boats eligible for the NAPCYC Series will be scored in accordance with the 2017 NAPCYC Regulations.

13.6.The determination of Panerai's Best Performing Boat of the Regatta award will be made by scoring each of the Series races by using the percentage of perfection method. Each yacht's finish points within their Panerai scoring division, in each race as scored using the Low Point System in rule A4, shall be divided by the number of finishers in that division for that race. Each yacht's normalized points will be added and the yacht having the lowest total will be the winner, the next lowest second and so on. This changes rule A9. 13.7. Panerai scoring divisions may or may not coincide with class splits utilized for starts or other regatta awards.

13.8. If ties continue to exist after the application of rule A8, they will be broken by determining the lowest cumulative corrected times.

### 14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

14.1. All boats must carry a radio capable of making and receiving VHF transmissions.

14.2. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats.

# **15.** SAFETY All boats not within their starting sequence must stay well clear of the starting area. Boats failing to comply with this requirement may be protested by the Race Committee and risk a penalty assigned by the Protest Committee.

**16. INFORMATION** Additional information is available in the Notice of Race or may be received from Jenny Holmqvisit, 401 848-5777 x 231, email <u>events@iyrs.edu</u> or Vincent Pattavina, 401 846-1983, email <u>vincent.pattavina@sailnewport.org</u>.