



NYC to Hamptons

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. RULES and OTHER REQUIREMENTS:

1.1) By the rules as defined by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (“rules”), including the US SAILING Prescriptions to the rules. This changes NOR 1.1(b). The following rules are changed:

- 17 with the addition of: From sunset to sunrise, when two boats are on the same tack within three overall lengths (of the larger boat) of each other, the boat being overtaken shall maintain her proper course. The overtaking boat shall keep clear, and neither boat shall bear away toward, nor luff, the other.
- 41 to allow the double-handed classes to communicate amongst themselves
- 51 to allow the use of canting keels for all boats rated with them
- 52 to allow the use of stored power to mechanically move canting keels, and for the Double-handed classes to use wind vanes and/or autopilots.
- 61.1 see SI 14 Protests and Requests for Redress
- 62.1(a) see SI 9 Recalls (also changes rules 28, 63.1, A4 and A5)
- 64.1 see SI 11

1.2 Any boat withdrawing before the start or abandoning the Race shall remove her class flag and **immediately** notify Race Director Doug Reynolds, (516) 581-4588. It is the sole responsibility of any boat withdrawing to ensure that the Race Committee has been properly notified.

1.3 **Double-handed divisions** – The following will apply to boats competing double-handed:

- (a) Crew is limited to 2 persons, one of whom shall be at least 18 years of age.
- (b) Wind vanes and/or autopilots may be used without penalty. This changes RRS 52.
- (c) Properly rated asymmetrical spinnakers may be used without penalty.
- (d) Safety lines (jack lines) leading forward from both sides of the cockpit to the bow, well secured at each end, shall be rigged throughout the race.
- (e) Competitors sailing in the double-handed division are permitted to utilize radio communications amongst themselves while racing. This changes RRS 41.
- (f) Twin headsails may be set on two poles for downwind sailing.
- (g) For headsails, whisker poles of any length may be used without penalty, but only a rated spinnaker pole may be used with a spinnaker.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

Notices to competitors will be posted on the website https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm Notice Board and emailed to all entrants.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

3.1 Changes and/or additions to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the Notice Board on the Yacht Scoring website by 0800 on the day of the race.

4. TRACKING

All boats shall carry and have on at all times while racing, a KATTACK compatible tracking device. Skippers may download the Kattack App for iPhone (iPad) or Android device, or, in the alternative, use their own SPOT or InReach Tracking System device. Skippers are expected to download and run the Kattack App

5. CLASS FLAGS

5.1 Each boat shall fly from her backstay six or more feet above the deck.

5.2 Class and start assignments will be made by the race committee and shall appear on the Scratch Sheets.

5.3 Class flags shall be flown from the time a boat enters the general starting area until she has finished.

6. REPORTING FOR INSTRUCTIONS:

6.1 A representative from each boat should report to the Skipper Meeting 1800 Thursday, September 21st to receive, courtesy of our sponsors, a Skipper's Pack containing scratch sheets, and other complimentary items.

7. THE COURSES AND MARKS:

7.1 FULL COURSE

(a) **START:** There will be North of Execution Rock Between Orange Buoy and a flag staff flying an orange flag on the Committee Boat Sgt Pepper. The race committee reserves the right to place a "keep away" mark in the vicinity of the Signal Vessel. Such mark must be left to starboard when a boat is starting or is approaching the starting line to start and Parts 2 and 3 of the RRS shall apply with respect to such mark as if it were part of the Signal Vessel. No boats shall pass between the "keep away" mark and the Signal Vessel.

(b) **THE COURSE:** From the Start boats will sail East to Plum Gut leaving Orient Point to Starboard. From Orient Point competitors can head to the finish at Montauk inlet.

(c) **FINISH:** The Finish will be at the Montauk Inlet Harbor entrance In between RW "M" Mo (A) Bell and the eastern jetty of inlet.

7.2 SHORTENED COURSE

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orange flag on the Committee Boat Sgt Pepper. The race committee reserves the right to place a “keep away” mark in the vicinity of the Signal Vessel. Such mark must be left to starboard when a boat is starting or is approaching the starting line to start and Parts 2 and 3 of the RRS shall apply with respect to such mark as if it were part of the Signal Vessel. No boats shall pass between the “keep away” mark and the Signal Vessel.

COURSE: From the Start boats will head east to Red White Mark off of Port Jefferson (RW “PJ” Mo (A) Whistle) and pass South of it.

FINISH: When RW “PJ” is at 0 degrees magnetic record your time in HH:MM:SS format

8. THE START:

8.1 The first signal shall be at 1250, Friday, September 22st. Starting Signals shall be in accordance with rule 26 with classes starting at ten-minute intervals after the first start and in the order indicated on the top of the Scratch Sheet.

8.2 The Starting Line shall be between an orange buoy" and an orange Flag displayed from a staff on the Signal Vessel set between North and South Coves in Manhattan.

8.3 A boat shall not start later than 15 minutes after her starting signal.

9. RECALLS:

9.1 In the event of an Individual Recall, the race committee will attempt to hail OCS boats by name or sail number over VHF Ch. 69. The timing and order of such hails and the failure to hear the hail will not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 60.1(a)

9.2 A boat that is OCS and does not restart shall, without a hearing, have thirty minutes added to her elapsed time. For the purposes of rules 28, A4, and A5, a boat so penalized shall be considered to have started properly. This changes rules 28, 63.1, A4 and A5.

10. THE FINISH:

10.1 Boats approaching the finish are **required** to notify the Race Committee by cell phone 516-581-4588 by text message after rounding Montauk Lighthouse and identify themselves by boat name and sail number. If finishing in darkness, each boat shall illuminate her sail numbers and notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 69 to be sure that the boat’s identity has been properly established. All communication should be brief.

10.2 If no Committee Boat is on station at the Finish, each boat shall record the time when crossing the line between RW ”M” Mo (A) Bell and the eastern jetty of inlet

11. PENALTY SYSTEM:

11.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will apply.

11.2 In the case of a protest involving the rules of Part 2, the boat at fault, instead of being

disqualified as a result of a hearing, may, at the option of the Protest Committee, have her corrected time increased by 2% or more. This modifies rule 64.1, but does not affect SI 9.1.

12. TIME LIMIT: None

13. RETIREMENT: Any boat withdrawing from the race shall break out her ensign and lower her class flag. At the first opportunity, she **SHALL** report her withdrawal to the race committee by phone 516-581-4588

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:

14.1 In addition to all other requirements of rule 61.1, a boat intending to protest shall display a red flag above her class flag, and promptly after finishing, she shall notify the race committee over VHF Ch 69 of her intent to protest.

14.2 Protests shall be filed at Montauk Yacht Club within four hours of the protestors finish time or by 0900 for boats finishing between 2200 and 0500. Protests may also be filed via email to dreynolds@Northcovesailing.com

14.3 Protests received will be posted on the Notice Board on YachtScoring, and the protest committee will attempt to notify the parties by telephone.

14.4 Protest hearings will be held at the Montauk Yacht Club at a time to be determined and mutually acceptable to the parties involved.

14.5 Protests involving potential trophy winners will be heard at Montauk Yacht Club as soon as possible after the boats involved have finished.

15. SCORING:

15.1 In classes sailing in PHRF rating system, corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring. A boat's corrected time will be her elapsed time multiplied by $(600/(550 + \text{PHRF Rating}))$

15.2 The OA reserves the right to correct errors in ratings, time allowances and scoring.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION:

16.1 Race Committee will use and monitor VHF Channel 69. All boats are urged to keep their radios ON and audible during the starting sequence, and monitor VHF Channel 16 and 69 for the duration of the race.

16.2 Other than as described in these instructions, a boat shall neither make nor receive wireless communications not simultaneously available free of charge to all boats.

16.3 Each boat shall carry a cell phone, the number of which ***shall be on file*** with the Race Committee and ***shall be on*** during the race and for two hours after finishing.

17. SAFETY AND RESPONSIBILITY:

17.1 It is the sole responsibility of the master of each boat to see that she is seaworthy in all respects and that she is manned by a competent crew. The master and all the members of the crew of each boat, by participating in this race, agree to do so at their own risk, and waive any claim against and hold harmless North Cove Sailing and its officers, directors, committees, members, employees, sponsors, and agents against any claims arising in any way out of the participation in the Race of such boat, her master and crew.

17.2 **Assisting Boats in Distress-** In the event that a boat assists another vessel or crew in distress, and the assisting boat wishes to continue in the Race, the boat may do so provided that, in rendering assistance, with or without the use of the engine, the boat shall return promptly to the position on the course at which the Race was interrupted and resume the Race from that point. The boat shall, promptly upon finishing, report to the Race Committee all details of the assistance rendered and supply extracts from her log showing her position at time of rendering assistance, names of other competing boats in the vicinity, time spent in giving such assistance, and any other details regarding assistance rendered which might affect the boat's standing in the Race. Upon receiving and verifying the foregoing information, the Race Committee, with or without a hearing, may at its discretion record such boat as an official finisher and subtract such time from the boat's elapsed time as may be deemed fair under the circumstances. This modifies RRS 63.1.

18. PRIZES AND RECEPTION: A reception and awards gathering is scheduled for 1300 on Sunday, September 24th at the Montauk Yacht Club. Awards presentation is scheduled for 1400. All skippers, crew are invited guests can purchase additional tickets. Dress is casual.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

19. MANAGEMENT: The Race Committee shall have the authority to interpret the rules and conditions of the race, to assign boats to classes, to decide protests and to reject the entry of any boat.