# SIXTH ANNUAL

# SANDPIPER NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

JULY 25-29, 2018



# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

#### 1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US SAILING, and the rules of the Sandpiper Class Association.

# 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Mantoloking Yacht Club Sailing Center Building.

# 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect. except any changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect

## 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Mantoloking Yacht Club flagpole.
- 4.2 When AP is displayed ashore. '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS, Race Signals.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 There will be a competitors meeting on Thursday, July 26 at 0800 at the Mantoloking Yacht Club Sailing Center. There are a maximum of 8 races scheduled. The Race Committee may change the schedule of races to accommodate the wind conditions. No more than 4 races will be sailed on one day. The scheduled races are as follows:

Thursday, July 26: Races 1-3 Friday, July 27: Races 4-6 Saturday, July 28: Races 7-8

- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1030. Subsequent races each day will be held as soon as possible after the end of the previous race. There will be a break for lunch on the water each day.
- 5.3 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- **5.4** On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1400.

## 6 RACING AREA

The racing area will be the "Green Island Course" in Upper Barnegat Bay. Attachment "A" shows the location of the racing area.

# 7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The course will be windward-leeward (W) or triangle (T) with all marks rounded to port.
- 7.2 The course W or T and the number of legs will be displayed on a placard not later than the Preparatory Signal. This modifies RRS 27.1.
- **7.3** An offset mark will be employed at the weather mark. Boats shall round the offset mark to port after rounding the weather mark.

## 8 MARKS

- **8.1** The turning marks of the course will be yellow tetrahedrons.
- **8.2** The offset mark will be an orange ball.
- **8.3** The starting and finishing marks will be orange inflatables.

## 9 THE START

- **9.1** Races will be started by using <u>RRS</u> 26.
- **9.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a committee boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- **9.3.** The race committee may attempt to hail and broadcast sail numbers of boats that are OCS on VHF Channel 6. Failure to hail or broadcast any sail numbers; failure of a boat to receive the recall hail or broadcast; a boat's position in the sequence of hail or broadcast numbers; promptness of the hail or broadcast shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and RRS 62.1(a).

#### 10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the original mark (or the finishing line) to a new position.

## 11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finish line will be between a staff flying an Orange flag or shape on a race committee or patrol boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 11.2 Boats that have finished shall avoid the finishing area.

# 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

**12.1** The penalty, RRS 44.2 will apply except that instead of two turns the penalty is one turn including one tack and one jibe.

## 13 TIME LIMIT

- **13.1** The time limit for all races will be 90 minutes.
- Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finish will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

# 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **14.1** Protest forms are available at the MYC Sailing Center. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the PRO or his designee within the appropriate time limit.
  - A boat intending to file a protest shall notify the RC when finishing or immediately after the finish of each race
- 14.2 The protest time limit is one hour after the Committee Boat docks at Mantoloking Yacht Club. Protests are to be submitted to the PRO or his designee.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located at the Mantoloking Yacht Club beginning at the time posted.

## 15 SCORING

- 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2 If 5 or more races are completed, a boat's worst score shall be discarded.

# 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- All boats must complete a Required Equipment check at registration in which they will be required to show proof of each item on a Required Equipment list.
- **16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

# 17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 17.1 All boats shall carry the safety equipment required by the Sandpiper Class Association Rules and these sailing instructions.
- 17.2 Boats are subject to inspection for all safety equipment including, but not limited to, towline of at least 30', bilge pump, bucket, paddle, suitable anchor and anchor line, whistle, life vests for each crewmember, and a VHF radio. Boats must conform to all the requirements of the Sandpiper Class Association Rules. A failed inspection will be scored as a DSQ.

# 18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. VHF radio channel 6 to be used for emergencies and communication of race information.

# 19 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to competitors placing first through fifth. The Sandpiper National Championship perpetual trophy will be presented to the winner of the regatta.

# 20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta 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 regatta.

