



The Sailing Advocacy Volunteer Group & Liberty Yacht Club

## **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual NYC to Hamptons Race**

September 20 - 22, 2019



**Dedicated to New City Kids - City Sail of Jersey City**

## **Sailing Instructions**

### **1. RULES and OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

1.1) The Race will be governed 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.

1.2 Any boat withdrawing before the start or abandoning the Race shall remove her class flag and ***immediately*** notify Race Director Jim Chambers, (917)796-9631. It is the sole responsibility of any boat withdrawing to ensure that the Race Committee has been properly notified.

### **2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:**

Notices to competitors will be posted on the website [https://yachtscoring.com/notice\\_board\\_summary.cfm](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 0700 on the day of the race.

### **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 Skippers Breakfast Meeting 1000 Friday, September 20, 2019 for instructions.

## **7. THE COURSES AND MARKS:**

(a) **START:** The start will begin outside Morris Canal near Green Can 1 with committee boat lying to the south flying an orange flag. 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 south into New York Harbor through Verrazano Narrows. After exiting Verrazano Narrows all competitors must keep Red 12 of Ambrose Channel (Reach B) to port. The next and final mark is Montauk Point will be passed to port within a minimum distance of .5nm.

(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. Bailout Points on the South Shore of Long Island:

A. If needed to withdraw racing and seek safe harbor while off the South Shore of Long Island from West to East:

- a. East Rockaway Inlet
- b. Jones Inlet
- c. Fire Island Inlet
- d. Moriches Inlet
- e. Shinnecock Inlet

## **8. THE START:**

8.1 The first signal shall be at 1400, Friday, September 20st. 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.

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 917-796-9631 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 to race Director Jim Chambers at 917-796-9631

#### **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 Gurneys Montauk Yacht Club within four hours of the protestors finish time. Protests may also be filed via email to [info@libertyyachtclub.org](mailto:info@libertyyachtclub.org)

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

14.4 Protest hearings will be held at the Gurneys 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 Liberty Yacht Club, The Sailing Advocacy Volunteer Group 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 approximately 1500 - 1700 on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at the Gurneys Montauk Yacht Club. 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.