

NON SPINNAKER CLASSES

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Rules

1.1 The Regatta is governed by the *Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2. Notice to Competitors

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located under the SPERRY Tent at Mystic Shipyard.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. The Course

4.1 The marks of the course are designated in *SI Appendix A* and will be posted on the course board in order of rounding. Boats shall sail to the finish line after rounding the last posted mark. The letter P (port) or S (starboard) will indicate which side to round the preceding posted mark(s).

4.2 The course may be shortened at any rounding mark by a race committee boat displaying Code Flag "S". The finish will then be between the "S" flag and the rounding mark.

4.3 **Restrictions:** Competitors must pass South of Nuns #22, #24 and #26 located near Groton Long Point. Competitors must not pass between Flat Hammock and South Dumpling Island.

5. Class Flags

5.1 Class Flags will be the International Code Flag Numeral Pennants corresponding to the number designating each class on the Scratch Sheet.

6. Starting Area

6.1 The Starting Area will originate .25 miles Southeast of Horseshoe Reef Nun "26". The Starting Area may be changed to better accommodate an upwind start. In that event, the fleet will be notified by the display of Code Flag "L" from the RC Signal Boat as it moves to a new location.

7. The Start

7.1 The Warning Signal for the first class will be 11:55.

7.2 Starts will be run in accordance with RRS 26.

7.3 Starting Signals

5 minutes Warning: Class Flag displayed – Gun

4 minutes Preparatory Flag displayed – Horn (short)

1 minute Preparatory Flag removed- Horn (long)

0 Start Class Flag removed – Gun

Warning Signal for succeeding classes may be made at the starting signal of the previous class.

7.4 The order of start will be the same as listed on the Scratch Sheet.

7.5 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the Signal Boat and mark S/F.

8. Communication

8.1 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF channel 71.

8.2 The RC may attempt to notify early starters by sail number or boat name. Redress for failure to announce any or all boats, the sequence or timing of the announcements, or failure of boats to receive them may only be requested by the RC. This changes RRS 62.1a.

9 The Finish

9.1 The Finish Line will be in the vicinity of the Starting Line.

9.2 Finishers shall pass between the orange flag on the RC boat and mark S/F.

9.3 A boat that retires from the race shall notify the RC.

10 Scoring

10.1 One race is scheduled and will constitute a series.

10.2 The Low Point Scoring System will be used based on corrected times.

10.3 The Time on Time System will be used. The formula is $TCF = 650/(550+PHRF)$

11 Protests

11.1 A boat intending to protest will notify the Race Committee after finishing. Protests shall be made in writing and submitted to the Race Committee within 1 hour of the Committee boat docking.

12 Prizes

12.1 All skippers and their crews are invited to the MegaParty at the Sperry Tent at Mystic Shipyard in West Mystic beginning at 1700. Live music, buffet dinner and libations, plus trophies for class and overall winners will be presented.

13 Disclaimer of Liability

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, *Decision to Race*.

SI Appendix A
approximate)

Marks of the Course

(Lat/Lon is

	Mark Name	ID	Lat (N)	Lon (W)
B	So. of Black Ledge	N "2BL"	41.18.02	72.03.95
E	Silver Eel Cove	W Mo "SE"	41.15.55	72.02.22
I	Intrepid Rock	Can "DIR"	41.17.94	72.00.24
M	West of Ram Island	Can "1"	41.18.39	71.59.42
N	North Hill Bell	R "2"	41.16.79	72.01.38
R	Ram Island Bell	R "20"	41.18.19	71.58.39
V	Vixen Ledge	N "28VL"	41.18.33	72.02.92
W	E. of Hawks Nest Pt. West Harbor	R "6"	41.16.30	72.00.33
S/F	Start/Finish	Yellow buoy		