

## SPINNAKER CLASSES

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1. Rules

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

1.2 Appendix T, sections A and B are in effect for this Regatta. T1 changes the first two sentences of RRS 44.1 to read: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 33 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a two turn penalty.

### 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 9:00 on the day it takes effect, except that any change to the Schedule of Races will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Changes will also be broadcast over VHF prior to the first warning.

### 4. Schedule of Races

4.1 Two races are scheduled.

4.2 The first warning is scheduled for 10:55.

4.3 If the Race Committee runs a second race, they will fly code flag "R".

4.4 The Race Committee may ask a competitor to accept their assumed position and return to the starting area in order to expedite a second race.

### 5. Class Flags

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

### 6. The Courses

6.1 The RC will set Windward/Leeward courses using inflatable buoys. The course number will indicate the number of legs.

6.2 The Windward Mark is to be rounded to port

6.3 The leeward gate will be positioned approx. 100 yards to windward of the Starting Line. The course number will be displayed on the top line of the course board, with range and bearing to the Windward Mark below it.

## **7. Marks**

- 7.1 The starting line pin will be a Yellow buoy.
- 7.2 The Windward Mark will be an Orange buoy.
- 7.3 The Leeward gate or mark will be Orange buoys.
- 7.4 Windward change mark will be a Yellow buoy.

## **8. The Start**

- 8.1 The Starting Area will originate in the vicinity of Seaflower Reef
- 8.2 The Signal Boat may move to a different location. The fleet will be notified by the display of Code Flag "L".
- 8.3 The starting line will be between the Orange Flag on the Signal Boat and the starting pin.
- 8.4 The order of start will be announced prior to each race. Numerical class designation on the Scratch sheet does not infer your order of start.

## **9. Changing the Course after the Start**

- 9.1 If the Leeward Gate is changed, the gate may be replaced by a single mark which is rounded to port.

## **10. Finish**

- 10.1 The finish line will be between the orange flag on the signal boat and the yellow buoy.

## **11. Communication**

- 11.1 The Race Committee will broadcast on VHF Ch. 01A.
- 11.2 Radio communications are for the safety and convenience. Only the Race Committee may request redress for misunderstandings, errors or omissions that may result from such communications. Rule 60 is modified.

## **12. Scoring**

- 12.1 The Low Point Scoring System will be used. Two races are scheduled of which one completed race will constitute a completed series.
- 12.2 Each yacht's scores will be the sum of her scores for all races sailed. Ties will be broken by combined corrected time. This changes RRS A2.
- 12.3 Corrected time will be calculated using the Time on Time formula  $TCF=650/550+PHRF$ .

## **13. Protests**

- 13.1 A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee after finishing.
- 13.2 The time limit for filing a protest is 1 hr after the RC Boat docks.

## **14. Time Limits**

- 14.1 If one boat sails the course as required by rule 28.1 and finishes boats in her class failing to finish within 30 minutes will be scored TLE based on number of finishers plus one.

## **15 Prizes**

- 15.1 Trophies will be presented at the MegaParty beginning at 17:00.

**Disclaimer: Competitors participate at their own risk. See Rule 4 Decision to Race.**