



The 75th Vineyard Race

September 4, 2009

AMENDMENT #1 TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

DELETE Sailing Instruction 11 and insert the following in its place:

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

11.1 Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channels 05 and 16.

11.2 RRS 41 is hereby amended for the purpose of allowing the following:

(a) Boats sailing in a Double-handed division may communicate amongst themselves.

(b) The Race Committee will endeavor to make courtesy announcements over VHF Channel 05 before and during the starting sequence. All boats are urged to keep their radios on Channel 05 prior to and during the start.

11.3 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.

For the purpose of explanation, reference is made to US Sailing Appeals Question #93 which reads as follows:

Rule 41(c), Outside Help

Question 93—The term “information freely available” in rule 41(c) means information available without monetary cost and easily obtained by all boats in a race. “Easily obtained” means the information is available from public sources that competitors can reasonably be expected to be aware of and can locate with little effort. The term “information freely available” refers only to the information, not to equipment or software needed to receive or read the information.