

2018 Long Island Sound Championship Presented by

The Storm Trysail Club and the Riverside Yacht Club Saturday and Sunday, September 15 & 16, 2018

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020 (RRS); Parts A, B, and C of the 2018 IRC rules; the 2018 PHRF Regulations as administered by the YRA of Long Island Sound, except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions; and the YRALIS Minimum Equipment Recommendations Category C. PHRF boats shall sail with W/L ratings and scored using Time-on-Time corrections.
- **1.2** Rule V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will apply.
- **1.3** Appendix T, Arbitration will apply as changed below: At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add: (c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the jury that hears that protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3(a)
- **1.4** The number of crew allowed will be the crew number on the IRC certificate plus one. One sailor under the age of 14 is allowed without counting as additional crew.
- **1.5** The prescriptions of US Sailing shall apply.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS/REGATTA HEADQUARTERS Regatta headquarters will be located at Riverside Yacht Club. Except for jury notices, notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the head of the RYC dock and on YachtScoring. Jury notices will be posted on the jury notice board located near the reception area.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS Any written change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0800 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 and will be emailed to all competitors. Oral changes may be made on the water via VHF radio announcements.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main RYC flagpole
- **4.2** Flag AP displayed ashore means that racing is postponed. When lowered, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes." This changes Race Signals.

5 SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 15 1130 First signal

Sunday, Sept. 16 1030 First signal 1500 No warning signal after this time

6 CLASS FLAGS and CLASS SPLITS

6.1	Class	Class flag	
	Class 1		Numeral pennant 1
	Class 2		Numeral pennant 2
	Class 3		Numeral pennant 3
	Class 4		Numeral Pennant 4
	Class 5		Numeral Pennant 5
		Etc	

6.2 The final class splits will be available on YachtScoring.com no later than 1200 Friday, September14.

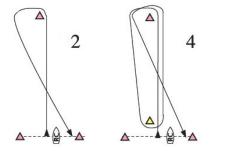
7 RACING AREA

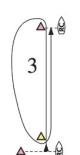
- **7.1** The racing area will be the waters of Long Island Sound southerly of Greenwich and Stamford.
- **7.2** ALL CLASSES shall rendezvous with the Signal Vessel at approximately 1.5 NM southerly of Bell 1, Captains Harbor and approximately 1 NM Westerly of Bell 32A.

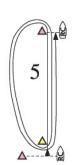
8 COURSES

- **8.1** A course board displayed from the Signal Boat will identify *the direction and distance to the windward mark and* the number of the course to be sailed. The course board will display from columns from bow to stern: direction in degrees magnetic, second column is the distance in nautical miles to the windward mark, and the third column is the number of legs to be sailed. Different courses may be sailed for each class and the course for each class will be displayed on the course board before the warning signal for that class.
- **8.2** The Race Committee will attempt to notify all competitors of the course to be sailed using VHF Channel 01A. For example: Windward / Leeward courses will be sailed with marks to be left to port.

Deg Mag	NM to 1 st Mark	Legs
2	1	4
3	.2	
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8.3 The Race Committee may set a leeward gate. If no gate is in place, boats are to round the single leeward mark, leaving it to port. The leeward mark or gate will be to windward of the start/finish line. The leeward mark or gate is not a mark of the course for a final downwind leg. **8.4** The Race Committee may set an offset mark at the Windward Mark. If set, the offset mark will be a round inflatable ball.

9 MARKS

- **9.1** Marks will be orange or yellow tetrahedrons. The start mark, and finish mark will be the same color. The gate marks will match, but will be a different color from the start and finish marks.
- **9.2** A new mark, when used in accordance with instruction 11, Changing the Next Leg of the Course, will be a different color from the original mark.

10 THE START

- **10.1** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The warning signal for the second and subsequent starts may be the starting signal for the previous start. The order of starts and class flags for the warning signal will be as noted in Class Flags and Class Splits.
- **10.2** The start line will be between an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end of the line and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- **10.3** An inflatable buoy may be tethered to the stern of the committee boat. Any boat touching this buoy will have broken rule 31 and shall act in accordance with rule 44.1.

11 CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- **11.1** A changed mark will be of a different color than the original mark. Subsequent changes will alternate between the two.
- **11.2** If code flag "C" is flown with a class warning signal from the signal vessel, that class will sail the first windward leg to the change mark.

12 THE FINISH

- **12.1** For downwind finishes, the finish line will be between a blue flag or code flag "R" on the signal boat and the course side of an inflatable mark on the opposite side of the signal vessel from the starting line. The use of code flag "R" indicates another race is intended.
- **12.2** For upwind finishes, the finish line will be between the course side of an inflatable mark and a blue or, if the race is being shortened, "S" flag on a race committee vessel.

13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 2 hours. Boats failing to finish within 45 minutes after the first finisher in her class will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired). This modifies rule 35 and adds to Appendix A, A11.

14 PROTESTS AND REDRESS REQUESTS

- **14.1** A boat intending to protest for an incident while racing is requested to notify the race committee promptly upon finishing the race by VHF or by hailing the committee boat after finishing.
- **14.2** Protest forms are available at the front desk.
- **14.3** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the RC finish vessel personnel comes ashore. Written protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to front desk of the clubhouse and time stamped.
- **14.4** The protest time limit and a list of protests and requests for redress submitted to the protest desk will be posted promptly.
- 14.5 Parties to a hearing and their witnesses should remain in the protest area.
- If they are not available when called, they may not be heard.
- 14.6Hearings and arbitration will begin as soon as practicable after protest forms are filed at the protest desk.

15 SCORING

- **15.1** One completed race constitutes a series and the championship.
- **15.2** If fewer than six races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. If six or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score subject to rule 90.3(b).
- **15.3** A boat scored TLE will receive 2 points more than the number of finishers in her class, but in no case will she be scored worse than DNF.

16 RADIO The race committee will attempt to broadcast on VHF Channel 01A information such as location of the signal boat, sail numbers of OCS boats, course type, range and bearing to the windward mark, change of course, etc. Failure of the amplification system, failure to hear the broadcasts, and the order and timing of such broadcasts will not be grounds for redress.

17 COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC Boats are cautioned to be on the lookout for and yield right of way to commercial vessels, particularly those with limited ability to maneuver such as tugs and barges.

18 PRIZES

- **18.1** Trophies will be awarded to the top three boats in each class of 7 or more, the top two of 5 or more, and the top boat if less than 5.
- **18.2** The IRC Winner will be awarded the IRC Championship of Long Island Sound. The Press On Regardless Trophy will be awarded to the overall PHRF winner. The Shearwater Trophy will be awarded to the boat with, in the judgement of the OA, the best overall performance
- **19 DISCLAIMER** 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 Storm Trysail Club and Riverside Yacht Club, its officers, directors, committees, members, employees and agents against any claims arising in any way out of the participation in the Race of such boat, her master and crew.

Event Co-chairs:

Past Commodore Nick Langone, The Storm Trysail Club
Past Commodore Ty Anderson, Riverside Yacht Club

Principal Race Officer: Ray Redniss

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