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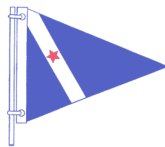
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MAIN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The 2011 Newport Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located in the Hospitality Tent next to the mule barn.
- 2.2. The Race Committee intends to broadcast pertinent race information on a VHF channel assigned to each racing division (see individual division appendices). Failure of such information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted on the official notice board no later than 0830 on the day they will take effect except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signal Flags will be displayed from the flagpole at the Admiral's Dock at the Sail Newport Sailing Center.
- 4.2. When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes". When a numeral pennant is displayed beneath code flag "AP," the postponement is applicable to that numbered division only. This changes Race Signal "AP."

5. RACING CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

5.1. Rendezvous locations are described in the Division Appendices.

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4
Swan 42	J/24	Laser/Laser Radial	F 18
Etchells	Viper 640	2.4mR	A Cat
J/105	505	Vanguard 15	6mR
J/80		420	S Class
		Sunfish	

6. SCHEDULE OF RACING

6.1. The Race Committee intends to run as many races as practicable on each day of racing.

Saturday July 9- Race Day One

1100 First Warning Signal

Sunday July 10- Race Day Two

1100 First Warning Signal

1430 No initial Warning Signal will be made after this time for Divisions 1, 2, and 4

1500 No initial Warning Signal will be made after this time for Division 3

7. ON THE WATER CHECK-IN

7.1. On each day, prior to the first Warning Signal for each class, each boat shall sail astern of the Race Committee Signal Boat (Signal Boat) and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

7.2. A boat failing to properly check in may be scored DNC for the first race of that day without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.

8. DIVISION APPENDICES

8.1. The appropriate Division Appendix is attached to these SIs, within which a description of courses, starting and finishing procedures, marks, time limit(s), and applicable VHF channel will be provided.

9. RECALLS

9.1. The Race Committee will attempt to hail premature starters. Recalls may also be announced on the applicable VHF Channel. Failure to make or receive this communication shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10. SCORING

10.1. The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix A will apply.

10.2. One race shall constitute a series.

10.3. A boat's worst finish may be discarded after a class has completed six races. Two races may be discarded if a class completes twelve or more races. This changes RRS A2.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1. The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is altered so that "One-Turn Penalty" replaces "Two-Turns Penalty."

11.2. The penalty, if any, for an infringement of a rule other than a rule of RRS Part 2 will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1(a).

12. PROTESTS

12.1. Boats are strongly urged to report their intent to protest to the Race Committee upon finishing.

12.2. Protests shall be submitted on the forms available in the Sail Newport main office and lodged with the Jury Secretary within the protest time limit.

12.3. The protest time limit is one hour following the docking of the Signal Boat for the applicable division.

12.4. Hearing times will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible.

12.5. Infringements of SI 7, 13, 14, and 15 are not protestable by another boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

13. RETIRING FROM A RACE

13.1. A boat that retires from a race is requested to notify the Race Committee before leaving the racing area or, if not possible, said boat shall notify a Race Committee representative at Sail Newport upon arriving ashore in person or by phone (401-846-1983).

14. TRASH

14.1. Boats shall not place trash in the water.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1. Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have the right of way over a vessel under power which may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.
- 15.2. Competitors are strongly urged to not pass through the outer two of the center three spans of the Newport Bridge to accommodate the ongoing painting project and associated barges.
- 15.3. The naval facilities at Coddington Cove and Coasters Harbor are surrounded by an Exclusionary Zone marked by white navigational aids. Vessels navigating inside the Exclusionary Zone may face action by Coast Guard and Naval Authorities.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1. Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, the State of Rhode Island, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.



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