



JULY 6 ~ 7, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



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MAIN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The 2019 Newport Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. For the J/70 Class, J/70 Class Rules Part III - Event Rules I.1 and I.3 shall apply. I.3 is amended so that Support Boats can be used to assist competitors in transiting to and from the applicable racing area.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the South Deck of the Sail Newport Building.
- 2.2. The Race Committee intends to broadcast pertinent race information (including individual recalls) on a VHF channel assigned to each racing division. Failure of such information to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress by a boat. This changes rule 62.1(a). See individual divisional appendix for applicable VHF channel.

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 in the case of a postponement ashore when a change to SI's will be posted before the lowering of 'AP'.
- 3.2. 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 official flagpole on the East side of the New Sail Newport building at 72 Fort Adams Drive.
- 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."
- 4.3 The rendezvous location for circles 1 and 4 will be announced daily at 0900 on each race circles respective VHF radio channel.

5. RENDEZVOUS LOCATIONS

- 5.1. Rendezvous locations are described in the Circle Appendices.

6. RACING CLASSES AND CIRCLES

Regatta

Circle
Assignments

Circle 1	Circle 2	Circle 3	Circle 4
IC37	Foil	Thistle	12 Metre
J/109	F18	Ensign	
J/70	VX One	Laser	
	505	RS Aero	

7. SCHEDULE OF RACING

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

Friday July 5

1600-1900 Late on-site registration, waiver drop off, and check-in for all classes

Saturday July 6 Race Day One

0800-0900 Late on-site registration, waiver drop off, and check-in for all classes

1100 Initial Warning Signal for all classes

Sunday July 7 Race Day Two

1100 Initial Warning Signal for all classes

1500 No Warning Signal will be made after this time for Divisions 1, 2, and 4.

1530 No Warning Signal will be made after this time for Division 3.

8. ON THE WATER CHECK-IN

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

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

9. DIVISION APPENDICES

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

10. RECALLS

10.1. 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 by a boat. This changes rule 62.1(a).

11. SCORING

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

11.2. One race shall constitute a series.

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

11.4 The Thistle fleet will not discard their worst finish. All finishes shall be scored and kept.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

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

12.2. In instances where SI 12.1 conflicts with a class rule, that class rule shall prevail.

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

13. PROTESTS

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

13.2. Protests shall be submitted on the forms available in the New Sail Newport Building on the 2nd floor and lodged with the Protest Committee Secretary there within the protest time limit.

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

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

13.5. Infringements of Main SI 8, 14, and 15 are not protestable by another boat. This changes rule 60.1(a).

14. RETIRING FROM A RACE

14.1. 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).

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 who may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

15.2. The naval facilities at Coddington Cove and Coasters Harbor are surrounded by an Exclusionary Zone marked on NOAA Chart 13223 For the purposes of rules 19 and 20, the line indicated on this chart shall be considered an obstruction. 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 rule 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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