

# In conjunction with 2015 CHARLES V COX MEMORIAL SERIES

## **Sailing Instructions**

## 1) Rules

a) The Cox Tuesday Night Series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*,

#### 2) Notices to Competitors

a) Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Race Committee notice board located at the Barrington Yacht Club.

## 3) Changes in Sailing Instructions

a) Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1700 on the day it will take effect.

## 4) Signals Made Ashore

- a) Signals made ashore will be displayed on the main flag pole at the Barrington Yacht club.
- b) Code flag "N" hoisted shall mean racing for that day has been canceled.
  - i) The R/C shall make the decision to cancel no later than 1700 hours of that day.

#### 5) Schedule of Races

a) The Warning Signal for the first class to start will be at 1830.

#### 6) Class Flags:

- a) The Class starting order and Class flags shall be
- b) Spinnaker Numeral Pennant 1
- c) Non-Spinnaker Flag A

## 7) Racing Area

- a) The racing area will be Upper Narragansett Bay, South of Rumstick Point.
- b) Thirty minutes prior to the first warning signal, the race committee shall announce the approximate location they intend to anchor for the start.

## 8) The Course

- a) No later than the warning signal the race committee signal boat will display the course, showing the following information:
  - i) Class indicator
  - ii) Course type, Windward- Leeward (W), Triangle (T), Other (O)
    - (1) For Windward Leeward courses
      - (a) The number of legs to be completed.
        - (i) Even number of legs will finish at the leeward mark or gate
        - (ii) Odd number of legs will finish at the windward mark.
    - (2) Appendix B shows course diagrams.
  - iii) If the first mark is a drop mark
    - (1) The approximate bearing of the first mark (in degrees Mag.)
    - (2) The approximate distance to that mark (Nautical Miles).
  - iv) If the first and subsequent mark(s) is a Government mark
    - (1) The designation(s) from Appendix A
  - v) If the leeward mark is a gate, by adding "G" to the posting
    - (1) If a gate is indicated, All yachts shall pass between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark, leaving one mark to port and the other mark to starboard. If only one mark is in the water, it shall be left to port.
  - vi) If an offset is to be used at the windward mark, by adding "O" to the posting
    - (1) If an offset is indicated it will be placed to the port of the windward mark and rounded leaving it to port on each and every windward mark rounding.
  - vii) Any information displayed on the course board above the class indicator will apply to all classes.

### 9) Marks

- a) All marks will be tetrahedrons, and/or Government marks from Appendix A
  - i) If tetrahedrons:
    - (1) Original Starting, Finishing, and Turning mark colors will be Orange
    - (2) If a short windward mark is used for individual classes, it will be green and a green flag will be displayed with, or prior to, the warning signal of any class it applies to.
    - (3) Change marks shall be yellow.
- b) The starting mark (pin) shall be the leeward mark (or one of the gate marks) for multiple leg windward leeward courses.

## 10) The Start

- a) The races shall be started as per Rule 26. The Race Committee has the option to continue the sequence as a "rolling" start, or hesitate between fleets as per the Rules.
- b) If rolling starts are used, class flag for next the class will hoist at start of the previous class, and this will be their warning signal.
- c) The Race Committee may combine classes, for starting purposes only, by hoisting class flags of all affected classes together.
- d) The starting line shall be between the halyard, or staff, displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and the nearby inflatable, or Government mark.
- e) Individual recalls will be as described in rule 29.1

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- f) General recall; in the case of a general recall for any class, re-start will be as follows:
  - i) If in a rolling start sequence, a General Recall stops the rolling sequence and postpones the next start without further signal.
  - ii) After a general recall, the warning signal for the next start, for the recalled class, shall be made one minute after the First Substitute is removed (one sound).

#### 11) .Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- a) To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- b) Change of course for the next leg will be signaled in accordance with Rule 33. A staff or halyard displaying class flag(s) will designate the classes for which the change applies. If no class flags are displayed, the change of course applies to all classes.

## 12) The Finish

a) The "finish" shall be between the halyard, or staff, displaying an orange flag on the race committee boat and nearby mark.

## 13) Penalty System

a) The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while *racing*. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting *mark*, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty."

## 14) Time Limit

- a) One yacht finishing in a class within 2 hours of the start will constitute a race in that class.
- b) The race committee will stay on station until 2130 hrs, or until all boats have finished or retied, which ever is earlier.
- c) Rule 34 applies for yachts finishing after 2130.

#### 15) Protests

- a) Rules T2, T3 and T4 will apply to all protests
- b) The protest time limit shall be 45 minutes following the R/C signal boat docking.
- c) Protests will be heard immediately following the race, at BYC.

## 16) Scoring

a) The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix A, Rules A2 and A9, applies.

## 17) Safety

a) All yachts, in addition to all federally required equipment, shall have a VHF radio aboard, and **shall** keep such radio energized and **monitored** on VHF channel 72 from 1800 until 15 minutes after her "finish".

- b) All skippers are reminded they are responsible for the safety of their crew, and of the requirement to help any others in danger.
- c) Additionally, the race committee shall continuously monitor VHF Ch 13, "Ship-to-Ship"
- d) The Narragansett Bay race area is considered a "Restricted channel" for commercial traffic restricted in its ability to maneuver. In accordance with the preamble to Part 2, Race event participants must understand that they are subject to the Navigation Rules of the Road (COLREGS) between their vessel and one NOT racing. Participants do not automatically become "stand-on" or "privileged vessels" by virtue of participation in a marine event
  - i) Failure to comply with all these requirements may result in revocation of BYC's event permit.

## 18) Awards

a) 1<sup>st</sup> thru 3<sup>rd</sup> place awards will be presented for each class

## 19) Misc.

- a) The R/C may broadcast information concerning the race, course, safety, etc. Redress shall not be granted concerning this information or the lack or timeliness of same. This changes rule 62.1(a). A yacht receiving this information from the R/C does not break rule 41.
- b) Please keep your trash for proper disposal. Please review the Basic Principles and rule 55.