Spinnaker Fleet Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

1.1 The Regatta is governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 Appendix T, Sections A and B are in effect for this regatta. T1 changes the first two sentences of RRS 44.1 to read: “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 33 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.”

2. Notices to Competitors

2.1 Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located

 under the Sperry Tent at Mystic Shipyard.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 on Saturday July 18th, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Changes will also be broadcast over VHF Ch. 01A prior to the first warning.

4. Schedule of Races

4.1 Two races are scheduled for this event, conditions permitting.

4.2 The first warning is scheduled for 1055, Saturday July 18th.

4.3 If the RC intends to run a second race, they will fly Code Flag R.

4.4 The RC may ask competitor(s) to accept their presumed position and return

to the starting area in order to expedite the start of their class’s second race.

5. Class Flags

5.1 Class Flags will be the International Code Flag Numeral Pennants

 corresponding to the number designating each class on the Scratch Sheet.

6. The Courses

6.1 The RC intends to set Windward/Leeward courses using inflatable buoys.

6.2 The course number will indicate the number of legs to be sailed.

6.3 The Windward mark shall be rounded to Port.

6.4 The Leeward gate will be positioned ~100 yards to windward of the

 starting line.

6.5 The course number will be displayed on the top line of the course board,

 with bearing and distance to the Windward Mark below.

7. Marks

7.1 The Starting line pin will be an inflatable buoy.

7.2 The Windward mark will be an inflatable buoy.

7.3 The Leeward gate or mark will be inflatable buoys.

8. The Start

8.1 The Starting Area will be located in the vicinity of Seaflower Reef.

8.2 The Starting Area may be changed to better accommodate an upwind start.

 The fleet will be notified by the display of Code Flag “L” from the RC

 Signal Boat as it moves to a new location.

8.3 The starting line will be between an Orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and the starting mark.

8.4 The Starting sequence will be in accordance with RRS 26.

8.5 The order of start will be announced by the RC prior to each race. Numerical

 class designation on the Scratch Sheet does not infer your order of start.

 Please be attentive to the Code Flag Numeral Pennants displayed on the RC

 Signal Boat for your order of start.

9. Changing the Course After the Start

9.1 If the leeward gate is changed, the gate may be replaced by a single mark

 which shall be rounded to port.

10. Finish

10.1 The finish line will be between the starting mark and an orange flag

 on the RC Signal Boat.

11. Communication

11.1 The Race Committee (RC) will broadcast on VHF Ch. 01A.

11.2 Radio communications are for safety, convenience and courtesy. Only the

 RC may request redress for misunderstandings, errors or omissions that may

 result from such communications. Rule 60 is modified.

12 Scoring

12.1 The Low Point Scoring System will be used. Two races are scheduled of

 which one completed race will constitute a series.

12.2 Each yacht’s total score will be the sum of her scores for all races sailed.

 Ties will be broken by combined corrected time. This changes RRS A2.

12.3 Corrected time will be calculated using the Time on Time formula.

 TCF=650/(550+PHRF).

13 Protests

13.1 A boat intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee after finishing.

13.2 The Protest time limit is 1 hour after the RC boat docks. The time limit for receipt of protests will be posted on the Notice Board in the Sperry tent.

14 Time Limits

14.1 If one boat sails the course as required by rule 28.1 and finishes, boats in her

 class that fail to finish within 30 minutes will be scored TLE and awarded

 points based on number of finishers plus one.

15 Prizes

15.1 Class and overall trophies will be presented at the MegaParty at Mystic Shipyard beginning at approximately 1700.

15.2 All skippers and their crews are invited for live music, buffet dinner and

 libations.

16 Disclaimer of Liability

16.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4,

 Decision to Race.