

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2019 HELLY HANSEN NOOD REGATTA AT MARBLEHEAD RACE WEEK

Presented by Mount Gay Rum & Sailing World

JULY 25-28, 2019 · MARBLEHEAD, MA
SAILING WORLD AND MARBLEHEAD RACING
ASSOCIATION (MRA) ARE THE CO-ORGANIZING
AUTHORITIES. MRA WILL PROVIDE RACE
MANAGEMENT.

THE NOTATION '[DP]' IN A RULE IN THE SI MEANS
THAT THE PENALTY FOR A BREACH OF THAT
RULE MAY, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PROTEST
COMMITTEE, BE LESS THAN DISQUALIFICATION.

1. RULES

1.1 This regatta shall be governed by
the rules as defined by the Racing Rules
of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 For the J70 Class : Part III- EVENT
RULES Section I : I.3 and I.4 shall apply.
This adds to the NOR.

1.3 The J/105 Class has authorized
the following changes to their class rules
for this regatta: Allow limited (boom and
spinnaker only) advertising.

1.4 The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS,
63.2, and 63.4 shall not apply.

1.5 Personal flotation shall be worn
as required by class rules. Competitors
should be aware that the race committee
may display Flag "Y" in accordance with
RRS 40.

1.6 The regatta will serve as the 2019
Etechells New England Championship.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be
posted on the Official Notice Board
located on the race website at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm?eid=6038

2.2 It is the responsibility of each com-
petitor to check the Official Notice Board
for any amendments or other notices.

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions
will be posted before 0900 on the day it
will take effect except that any change
in the schedule of races will be posted by
2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be
displayed from the flagpole yardarm at
the Corinthian, Eastern, and Boston Yacht
Clubs. Flag "AP" with two sound signals
means "races have been postponed for
all classes"; Flag "AP" over one or more

Class Flags with two sound signals
means "races have been postponed for
the indicated Class(es)".

4.2 When the AP flag is displayed
ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not
less than 60 minutes' in RRS Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 It is the intent of the organizing
authority and the race committee to run
as many races as practical on each race
day up to a maximum of 12 races for the
regatta.

5.2 The scheduled time of the warning
signal for each day of racing is 1200
hours EDT.

5.3 No warning signal will be made
after 1430 hours EDT on Sunday, July 28,
2019.

5.4 The IOD and Rhodes 19 classes will
race Thursday thru Sunday

5.5 Town Class, Comets, Etechells,
J/105, J/30, J/80, J24, Viper 640, Sonar,
RS 21, J70, Finns, Stars, Vanguard 15,
and Alerion Express 28 will race Friday
through Sunday.

5.6 Laser, 2.4 Metre, Megabyte, and
Skud 18 will race Saturday and Sunday.

5.7 This schedule is subject to change
pending final entries.

6. DIVISIONS, CLASS FLAGS, STARTING SIGNALS AND MARKS

6.1 Division splits, racing areas, initial
starting order, and description of marks
will be defined in SI Addendum 1.

6.2 Warning/Class flags for each class
will be listed in Addendum 1.

6.3 Any and all subsequent starting
orders will be at the discretion of the
race officer for each racing line.

7. COURSES

7.1 Courses are shown in Illustration
A, including the order in which marks are
to be passed, and the side on which each
mark is to be left.

7.2 The approximate compass bearing
from the signal boat to Mark 1, and the
designated course will be displayed in the
forward rack of the race committee sig-
nal boat. The distance from the leeward
mark to Mark 1 will be displayed in the aft
rack of the race committee signal boat.

7.3 Gates: If a gate is not in place,
boats shall round the existing leeward
mark to port.

7.4 Offset mark: The offset mark will
be the same color as Mark 1. An offset

mark may not be set if there is a change
of course

7.5 A green flag flown no later than
five minutes before the start means
"Mark 1 for the class about to start will
be green. This applies to each rounding of
Mark 1 by this class." (changes RRS 27.1
and race signals).

8. THE START

8.1 Boats are requested to check in
with race committee before their first
start each day.

8.2 The starting line will be between
a staff displaying an orange flag on the
race committee signal vessel and the
course side of the port-end starting
mark.

8.3 The starting area is defined as
extending 100 yards beyond each end
of the starting line and 150 yards behind
the starting line and its extensions. Boats
shall keep clear of the starting area and
the first leg of the course until their
warning signal has been made. [DP]

8.4 A race committee starting or
finishing vessel may set a stand-off buoy.
When present, this stand-off buoy, the
line attaching it to the race committee
vessel, and the race committee vessel
are all part of the starting or finishing
mark.

8.5 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or
equipment is on the course side of the
starting line at her starting signal and
she is identified, the race committee
shall attempt to identify her on the
designated VHF channel.

9. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE WHILE RACING

To change the next leg of the course,
the race committee will set 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.

10. CHANGE OF COURSE BETWEEN STARTS

If there is a significant wind shift
during a series of starting sequences,
the race committee may signal a change
of course for a class as follows: At the
preparatory signal, flag C will be dis-
played with numerous sound signals, and
remain displayed until the starting signal.
The signaled fleet will sail to the change

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mark. This changes RRS 33.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff on the race committee signal boat from which a blue flag is displayed and the course side of the nearby mark. For courses designating a downwind finish, the finishing mark will be placed on the side opposite that of the starting mark.

11.2 Competitors retiring shall report to the race committee before leaving the racing area if practicable. If unable to do so, competitors retiring shall report to the Boston Yacht Club by calling the front desk (781) 631-3100 immediately after coming ashore.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 Penalties while racing: US Sailing Prescription V1 (Penalty at the Time of the Incident) will apply.

12.2 Penalties after racing: RRS Appendix T (Arbitration) will apply.

13. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for the first boat in each class is two hours. Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE), equal to the number of finishers in her class plus 2. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 Protest forms are available at the protest desk at the Boston Yacht Club. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is one hour after the docking of the race committee signal boat for the applicable line.

14.3 Protests will be heard at Boston Yacht Club.

14.4 The times of protest hearings and the parties involved will be posted on the Official Notice Board

14.5 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day; or (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day. This changes RRS 66.

14.6 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on

a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

14.7 When the race committee receives a scoring inquiry form, it will review its records and respond as soon as practicable.

15. SCORING

Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races. One race will constitute a series.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Regatta prizes will be awarded by class.

16.2 A Caribbean Challenger will be awarded at the discretion of Sailing World for the 2019 Helly Hansen NOOD Regatta at Marblehead Race Week. Each Class winner is eligible. This changes the Notice of Race.

17. HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

Comets, Finns, Viper 640s, Vanguard 15s, Lasers, Megabytes, Skud 18s, and Stars may be hauled each day. All other classes shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with, and according to the terms of prior written permission of the protest committee. [DP]

18. ADVERTISING

18.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

18.2 Easily removable boom stickers provided in the Skipper's package shall be attached to both sides of the boat's boom at all times while racing. [DP]

18.3 At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes. If required, they will be provided and shall be placed on both sides of the boat's hull. [DP]

19. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

19.1 Each boat shall carry the following equipment: prescribed Coast Guard and class association safety equipment, a working VHF radio, Coast Guard approved visual signal for daytime use, and suitable anchor and line for the class and sailing area. Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification from one or more races.

19.2. A boat may not protest another

boat for breaking a class rule prohibiting the carrying of VHF radios while racing. This changes RRS 60.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATION AND EMERGENCY CONDITIONS

20.1 Emergency conditions shall be reported directly to the race committee on the assigned frequency for its line. Boats in need of assistance can also contact the Marblehead Harbor Master on VHF Channel (16). The Boston Yacht Club Dockmaster will monitor VHF Channel (68). The Eastern and Corinthian Yacht Club Dockmasters will monitor VHF Channel (9).

20.2 Division Channels are as follows:

Outside Line VHF 78

Tinkers Line VHF 71

Halfway Rock Line VHF 72

21. COMPETITORS' CONDUCT

The skipper shall be responsible for the conduct of the crew before, during and after racing. In case of conduct that the race committee considers to be a gross breach of good manners or sportsmanship, destruction of property or failure to comply with a reasonable request by the race committee, OA, or Yacht Clubs, the boat whose crew was at fault may be disqualified and/or subject to protest by the Protest Committee under RRS 69. It is the Protest Committee's intention to invoke this Instruction and RRS 69 in appropriate cases.

22. MEDIA AND TELEVISION

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the Organizing Authority for any photograph and video footage taken of themselves or the yacht they are sailing during the event, to be published in any media whatsoever, for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

23. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

24. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent.

COURSE DIAGRAMS

ILLUSTRATION A

MRA STANDARD COURSES

