



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

THE 138th ANNUAL FALL REGATTA

**ONE DESIGN KEELBOAT CLASS RACING
PHRF RACING ON MONDAY ONLY**

September 5, 2010 – September 6, 2010

**SEAWANHAKA CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB
Oyster Bay, New York, United States**

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (“RRS”), the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, the rules of the participating classes, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions, and by the Sailing Instructions. The regatta is designated advertising Category A.

2. ENTRIES

Eligible competitors shall be one design or cruising boats belonging to or chartered to members of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club, the Cold Spring Harbor Beach Club, Oak Cliff Sailing Center, Sagamore Yacht Club, or The Waterfront Center and skippered by members of one of those clubs who check in with the Race Committee before the first race on each day of racing.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Main Clubhouse of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2100 hours on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the "Seawanhaka" at the Service Dock of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club.
- 5.2** Code flags 'AP' over 'H' with two sound signals (one sound signal when lowered) means 'Do not leave shore. All races not started are postponed. Further signals will be made ashore'.
- 5.3** Code flag 'L' means 'A notice to competitors has been posted on the official notice board and a copy of the notice may be obtained from the Race Committee before the first warning signal'. This modifies Race Signal 'L, Ashore'.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Two (2) races are planned for the Sonar class; two (2) on Sunday, one (1) race shall constitute a series. Two (2) races are planned for the Shields class; two (2) on Sunday, one (1) race shall constitute a series. The starting sequence on each day of the regatta will commence at 1355 hours. One (1) race is planned for the PHRF Class, that race is scheduled for Monday. One (1) race shall constitute a series for the PHRF Class. The starting sequence for the regatta will commence at 1430 hours.

7. CLASS DESIGNATIONS

The classes are the following:

- Class 1 – PHRF Numeral Pennant "1" (or Placard I)
- Class 2 – Sonar -Sonar Class Flag (or Placard II)
- Class 3 – Shields -Shields Class Flag (or Placard III)
- Class 4 – Other -Numeral Pennant "4" (or Placard IV)

8. RACING AREA

The racing area will be Oyster Bay/Cold Spring Harbor/Long Island Sound. The rendezvous area for One Design Boats shall be in the area of class racing mark 4. The Race Committee shall be on station at the rendezvous area by 1330 hours. The rendezvous area for PHRF boats shall be in the area of class racing mark "F". The Race Committee shall be on station at the rendezvous area by 1330 hours.

9. COURSES

- 9.1 The One Design course will be signaled by placards displayed in the order of rounding reading from the top down under the class placard. A red placard signifies that the mark will be left to port. A green placard signifies that the mark will be left to starboard. The PHRF course will be displayed by signal flags as designated at the Skipper's Meeting.
- 9.2 All classes shall observe the following government mark: RN "4" off Plum Point.
- 9.3 Class I shall observe the following government marks except when used as a mark of the course: R N "2" and G "17" Bell.
- 9.4 If no course placards appear under the class placard, the course to be sailed is the one displayed for the next previous class.
- 9.5 When an inflated starting mark is used as a mark of course, it will be signaled by placard 'Z'.
- 9.6 When the windward mark is an inflated buoy it shall be signaled by placard 'Q'.
- 9.7 When the leeward mark is an inflated buoy it shall be signaled by placard 'U'.

10. MARKS

- 10.1 The approximate location of the marks and their letter designations are found on a chart entitled "CLASS RACING MARKS" dated May 1, 2007.
- 10.2 Other than for starting and finishing, no boat shall sail through the start/finish line. This provision shall not apply when the starting line pin end mark is a rounding mark of the course to be sailed.

11. START

- 11.1 The One Design Fleet will start their sequence upon raising of their class flag. The PHRF race will be run in "Pursuit Format" and each yacht will start at it's designated time after following signals stated below following RRS 26. After the first start the Race Committee will attempt announce each vessel's starting time on VHF 69 and to make a sound signal for each boat's starting time. This changes RRS 26.

<u>Signal</u>	<u>Flag and Sound Starting Signal</u>	<u>Minutes before</u>
Warning	Class Flag; 1 Sound	5
Preparatory	P, I, Z, Z with 1, or black flag; 1 Sound	4
One Minute	Preparatory Flag removed; 1 Sound	1
Start	Class Flag removed; 1 Sound	0

- 11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a yellow or orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the pre-start side of a nearby mark.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 11.4 A boat shall not start later than five minutes after her starting signal.
- 11.5 Due to "Pursuit" start time calculations, starting time may overlap among some boats in Division 1 & 2.
- 11.6 All boats whose start times are not immediately impending shall stay clear of the starting area.

12. RECALLS

Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee will attempt to hail the recall number of each recalled boat on VHF 69. This modifies RRS 41. The recall number shall be the boat's sail number. If RRS 30.1 is in effect, boats which cross the starting line in the minute prior to the start may be notified before the starting signal. The following shall not be grounds for redress [This modifies RRS 62]:

- a) Failure of a boat to hear or receive a recall broadcast;
- b) A boat's position in the sequence of recall numbers broadcast;
- c) Promptness of the broadcast.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1 The finish for a class will be at the last mark listed on the course board for the class.
- 13.2 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a yellow or orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of a nearby mark.

14. TIME LIMIT

The time limit will be two (2) hours after the start for the races for Sunday and two and one-half (2.5) hours after the start for the race on Monday. Boats failing to finish within the time limit, or within 30 minutes after the first boat in its division finishes, whichever is later, will be scored 'Did Not Finish'.

15. PROTESTS

- 15.1 Protests shall be written on forms available at the front desk of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club and lodged there no later than 1830 hours on the day of the race.
- 15.2 The protest committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt; the parties to the protest will be notified of the date, time and place of the hearing.

16. ARBITRATION (This modifies RRS Part V, Section B)

- 16.1** For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule of Part 2, a short arbitration hearing shall be held after the filing of the written protest and prior to a protest hearing.
- 16.2** The following Seawanhaka Race Committee members are designated as arbitrators pursuant to this paragraph: Alfred C. Constants; Bruce Cook; and Ian McCurdy and Bill Denslow.
- 16.3** After the written protest form is properly lodged, one representative from each boat will meet with the arbitrator. No witnesses will be allowed. Unresolved arbitration will be passed along to the protest committee.
- 16.4** A boat that accepts fault at an arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty score in accordance with 17.2 below.
- 16.5** The arbitrator is neither the race committee nor the protest committee; therefore, the opinions of the arbitrator and the decisions made during arbitration cannot be grounds for redress or be appealed.

17. SCORING

- 17.1** The series will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the racing rules using the Low Point System. There will be no throwouts. For the PHRF race on Monday, a boat's corrected time will be her actual time less her time allowance based on time on Distance [(rating – scratch) x course distance].
- 17.2** A boat that accepts fault at an arbitration hearing shall receive a penalty score of 40% of the number of boats entered in the class for that day of racing (rounding 0.5 upward) added to her finishing position, except that she shall not be scored worse than DSQ. The scores of other boats shall not be changed; therefore, two boats may receive the same score.

18. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

The 720 degree penalty will apply.

19. SAFETY

A boat that retires from a race, or from continued racing on a particular day, shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible of their intent to retire.

20. VHF REQUIREMENT

Each one-design keelboat and PHRF boat shall carry a VHF radio on board. This provision shall specifically modify any class rule of the one-design keelboats.

21. COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio, telephone or electronic transmissions while racing nor receive special radio, telephone or electronic communications not available to all boats. The Race Committee shall monitor and make announcements over VHF Channel 69.

22. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded in all participating classes the first place boat, to the second place boat if five or more boats qualify as starters in a class, and to the third place boat if eight or more boats qualify as starters in a class. All prizes will be awarded at the Annual Awards Dinner of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club to be held on October 30, 2010. All competitors are invited to attend the dinner.

23. SAILOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

By participation in racing, a person acknowledges that he or she is solely responsible for his or her own safety and that of the boat; each participant represents that the boat and its equipment are in sound condition and all required safety equipment is aboard, accessible for use and in operable condition; that the decision to race, not to race, or to withdraw after starting is solely his or hers to make; and he or she releases and agrees to indemnify the SCYC and YRA of LIS and US Sailing, their officers, trustees and all members of the Race Committee, whether or not members of SCYC, from any and all liability or claims for personal or bodily injury or property damage or loss resulting from participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law. The skipper of each boat shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew.

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