

Brockport Yacht Club
Wednesday Night Series
2024
Brockport Yacht Club
Hamlin, New York

1 Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2 Changes to Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1700 on the day of the event.
- 2.2 Changes to the sailing instructions may be made on the water by hailing all boats or by VHF radio.

3 Communications with competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board in the glass cabinet on the BYC porch.
- 3.2 On the water the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 68.
- 3.3 All boats are required to carry VHF radios capable of receiving channel 16, 71 and 68.
- 3.4 All communications from RC shall be on Ch 68 and it is suggested that radios be on at all times

4 Signals made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole in front of the BYC clubhouse.
- 4.2 When AP is displayed ashore '1 minute is replaced with not less than 30 minutes in Race Signals AP.

5 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Racing days are on the BYC Schedule
- 5.2 First warning will be at 1830 until the 3rd race week in August. 1800 for all remaining weeks.

6 Class Flags

- 6.1 The class flag for Divisions 1,2,3 will be a Green.
- 6.2 Class flag for Division D will be a yellow flag.

7 Racing Area

- 7.1 All races will be within a 2 mile radius of Sandy Creek.

8 Courses

- 8.1 Courses are shown on SI Addendum C.
- 8.2 Course selection shall be announced via VHS Radio Chanel 68.

9 Marks

- 9.1 Marks will be round buoy balls or inflatable barrel marks as required.

10 The Start

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26
- 10.2 There will be an attention signal consisting of a series of short blasts indicating approximately 1 minute to the warning.
- 10.3 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat (starboard end) and a nearby mark at the port end of the starting line.
- 10.4 If any part of a boats hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to hail her sail number or other identifying feature. Failure to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1a.

11 Change to the next leg of the course

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course the race committee will move the original mark or finishing line to a new position.
- 11.2 Before any boat is sailing the changed leg the Race Committee shall announce the change via VHS radio including approximate distance, shorten or lengthen and direction either port or starboard as sailing the leg. The new mark may not be in position at that time

12 The Finish

- 12.1 The finishing line is between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and a nearby mark.

13 Time Limits

- 13.1 Mark 1 Time Limit is 45 minutes. If no boat rounds the first mark in this time limit the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2 Race Time limit is 120 minutes. If no boat finishes within this time the race will be abandoned.
- 13.3 Finishing window is 30 Minutes. If a boat does not finish within the time window, she will be scored 1 place greater than the boats that did finish.

14 Scoring

- 14.1 Scoring shall be in accordance with Appendix A.
- 14.2 One race shall constitute a series
- 14.3 There shall be 1 exclusion if 5 races are sailed, 2 for 6 and 3 for any number after.
- 14.4 Rule A5.3 shall apply as it applies to long series scoring.

15 Safety

- 15.1 A boat retiring from the race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

16 Risk Statement

16.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increasing risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

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