



BREAKWATER YACHT CLUB  
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**2009 Last ROTS**

Sat., Oct 24, 2009

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The U.S. Sailing Association's Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 edition will govern this regatta.  
1.2 The Round-an-End Rule shall be in effect at all times, (whether or not the "I" flag is displayed). This changes US Sailing Racing Rule 30.1.  
1.3 No boat shall approach the committee boat (RC boat) until she is on station. The RC boat is considered to be on station when the line flag is raised. The race committee has the sole right to protest this infraction. Remedy for an infringement, after a hearing has been held, is disqualification from the race.  
1.4 Once the RC boat is on station each boat shall check in in accordance with SI 9.1 below.

**2. ELIGIBILITY - All boats with a 2009 PHRF- ELI rating certificate **and one design keelboats racing in their one design division are eligible. This race will not count toward any Breakwater or ELIYA series****

**4. DIVISIONS** The Race Committee reserves the right to classify certain boats as it sees fit

- 4.1 Division I: Spinnaker boats  
4.2 Division II: One Design (if we have at least 3)  
4.3 Division III: Non-Spinnaker boats

**5. REGISTRATION (See NOR for more details)**

- 5.1 Entry is good for the boat named on the entry only -no substitutions allowed.  
5.2 Registration must be completed in advance on the Last 'ROTS' Entry form, and submitted with the proper fee and 2009 ELI-PHRF certificate (PHRF is not needed if it is already on file w/BYC).  
5.3 No boat will be scored with out a valid paid entry turned in prior to the first gun of the race.

**6. START**

- 6.1 The start shall be in the area west of Majors Cove in Shelter Island Sound, although the RC boat reserves the right to move the start.  
6.2 The RC shall attempt to sound the first gun at **11:00am** local time.  
6.3 The division's code flag will be raised at the warning signal of that division's starting sequence. The "U" code flag shall be used for a uniform start. The course board on the Starboard side of the RC boat will display the division and course for each division. The starting sequence of the divisions will be indicated on the course board from top to bottom. The exception is a uniform start. **The RC Boat will endeavour to announce the order of starts and the course(s) on VHF 72.**  
6.4 Attention is drawn to US Sailing Racing Rule 22.1: "If reasonably possible, **boat not racing shall not interfere with a boat that is racing.**" and to the definition for "Racing": "A boat is racing from her preparatory signal..."

**7. COURSES AND MARKS**

- 7.1 Courses shall be displayed on the course board on the starboard side of the RC boat when on station.  
7.2 **All marks shall be left to port unless, if shown within a circle, then they shall be left to starboard.**  
7.3 Government marks may be listed on the course board and also, the following BYC set marks may be listed:
  - "A" – denoting the pin end of the starting line ("A" may also be used as a mark of the course);
  - "B" – denoting the windward mark;
  - "C" – placed in Smith's Cove;
  - "D" – placed in Northwest Harbor
- 7.4 All government marks must be honored except during use as a mark of the course, and except N "14" and Junction Buoy RG C "SH".  
7.5 During any leg of a course through the "North Channel" (i.e. north of danger buoy C "S"), above SI 7.4 is modified so that government marks need not be honored but boats must pass north of danger buoy C "S".  
7.6 Some courses may contain: "**14CS**" – N14 at Crow Shoal; "**N**" – RW "N" Mo(A) at Rams Head; "**TM**" – RW "TM" Mo(A) at Threemile Harbor; "**C1**" – NE of Cedar Point; "**CS**" – in the "North Channel" north of FI R"10A" NE of BW; "**N14**" – off North Haven; "**G15**" – Tyndal point; "**G17**" – Jessups Neck; "**N16**" – in Noyack Bay; "**N18**" – in Little Peconic Bay.  
7.7 The default finish at the Breakwater (**BW**) shall be between FI G "3SH" (BW) and the yellow flag on the RC boat.

- 7.8** **PRESET COURSES:** If windward mark "B" is used, the board will have: B(circled or not) – Course A, B, or C, etc. (i.e. "B – Course C" means leave "B" to port and then do Course C)  
Course **A** – G15(p); N16(s); G17(p); N18(p); G17(s); N16(p); G15(s); CS(s); N8(s); BW.  
Course **B** – CS(s); N8(p); N(p); N8(s); BW.  
Course **C** – CS(s); N8(p); C1(p); N(p); C1(s); N8(s); BW  
Course **D** – CS(s); N8(p); C1(p); 14CS(p); C1(s); N8(s); BW  
Course **E** – N14(p); 10A(p); N8(p); CS(p); N14(p); 10A(p); N8(p); CS(p); N14(p); BW  
Course **F** – CS(s); N8(s); 10A(s); N14(s); CS(s); N8(s); BW  
Course **G** – CS(s); N8(p); CS(p); N14(p); CS(s); N8(p); CS(p); N14(p); BW  
**Any other courses** will be designated by individual marks as per SI 7.2.
- 8.** **SCORING** - The handicap system used to score placement of boats in this race is the Time-on-Time System. The Time Correction Factor (TCF) is multiplied to a boat's elapsed time to get their corrected time. The formula for TCF is:  $TCF = 650 \text{ divided by } (550 + PHRF)$ .
- 9.** **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
- 9.1** Boats shall check in with the race committee once the RC boat is on station and before the first warning signal by sailing by the RC boat stern to bow on the starboard side and hailing their class, sail number and name and receiving acknowledgement.
- 9.2** A boat that retires from a race and/or leaves the racing area shall notify the RC boat as soon as possible.
- 9.3** Penalties for violations of this SI 9 will be at the discretion of the race committee.
- 10.** **CHANGES**
- 10.1** Changes to these Sailing Instructions may be posted on the official notice board at the Breakwater Yacht Club prior to the race, and Skippers may be notified by email.
- 10.2** Sailing Instructions may be changed on the water by the race committee making suitable announcement(s) on VHF Channel 72 and/or raising code flag "L" on the RC boat and hailing the announcement(s).
- 11** **RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**
- 11.1** The race committee will monitor and make all on water radio communications on **VHF 72**.
- 11.2** For recalls, the RC boat will attempt to hail or broadcast on VHF Channel 72, the sail numbers or the names of OCS boats after the starting signal.
- 11.3** Failure to make a recall broadcast or hail, or to make it in a timely manner will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes US Sailing Racing Rule 62.1(a).
- 12.** **PROTESTS**
- 12.1** Protests will be allowed in accordance with part V, section A of the U.S. Sailing Association's Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 12.2** Protests must be submitted in writing on a USSA protest form or reasonable facsimile to the race committee **within one hour of the docking of the RC boat** following the race.
- 12.3** It is the protesting skipper's responsibility to communicate his intention to the RC on the water before the RC boat leaves its station at the finish line and to ascertain where his written protest may be filed and arbitrator assigned.
- 12.3a** The race committee will assign an arbitrator to attempt to resolve the protest amicably. This arbitration is mandatory.
- 12.3b** This arbitration is nonbonding and the arbitrator will not serve on the committee for this protest.
- 12.3c** If a hearing is unavoidable every effort will be made to hear the protest at the earliest possible convenience of the protest committee and those skippers involved.
- 12.4** **Boats are strongly encouraged to exonerate their infractions on the water (rule 44) and to formally protest only as a last resort.**
- 13.** **PRIZES** Prizes will consist of bottles of a potent potable and will be awarded at the Breakwater Yacht Club clubhouse following the race. Refreshments will be offered. Any boat willing to bring munchies will be greatly appreciated.
- 14.** **CAPTAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY**
- 14.1** Each captain must sign the responsibility waiver attached to his entry.
- 14.2** Each racing skipper shall be responsible for all the actions of his or her crew and guests.
- 14.3** In the event of a serious breach of conduct, sportsmanship, property damage, or failure to comply with a race officer, the skipper/owner may be subject to disqualification.
- 14.4** **All skippers should take the time to familiarize themselves with the U.S. Sailing Association's Racing Rules of Sailing and these Sailing Instructions.**
- 14.5** **Each boat should have adequate insurance, covering Club racing.**