



BREAKWATER YACHT CLUB
BOX 2601, SAG HARBOR, NEW YORK 11963

2010 May Cup
MAY 5, 12, 19 and 26
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 Rule 30.1.
1.3 No boat shall approach the race 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 infringement, after an appropriate 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

- 2.1 All competitors must:
2.1a Be members in good standing of Breakwater Yacht Club.
2.1b Have paid the entry fee.
2.1c Have submitted the signed the captain's waiver.
2.1d Have boat insurance covering racing.
2.1e Have submitted a valid **ELIYA PHRF 2010 certificate by May 19th**.
2.2 Visiting yachts may enter at a cost of \$20.00 per individual race but will not be scored for the series.
2.3 Eligibility to race for visiting yachts is up to the discretion of the race committee.
2.4 **No competitor will be scored without fulfilling all eligibility requirements.**

3. FEES

- 3.1 \$50 for US Sailing Members
3.2 \$55 for non-US Sailing members

4. DIVISIONS

- 4.1 Division splits to be Division 1 (Spinnaker) or Division 3 (Non-Spinnaker).

5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Entry is good for the yacht named on the entry only - no substitutions are allowed.
5.2 Entry forms will be available at the Breakwater Yacht Club and from our website www.breakwateryc.org
5.3 **Entries can be mailed to Joan Worthing, 104 S. Magee St., Southampton, NY 11968, handed to Joan Worthing directly or Olaf Neubert directly, or placed in the RC box in the BYC office. Forms and PHRF Certificates can also be emailed to JoanWorthing@optonline.net or faxed to Joan at 702-977-7303 – the check then snail mailed to Joan or placed in the BYC office.**
5.4 **If you haven't gotten forms to Joan by the Tuesday before the first day that you race, then please notify Joan (even if by phone, 631-287-3205) before 11am on the first Wednesday that you race, so that she can get your boat onto the timesheet. Then turn in the form and check before your first race on Wednesday.**

6. START

- 6.1 The RC boat shall attempt to sound the first gun at 6:00 PM local time 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 starting order will be displayed from the RC boat by code flags or on the course board.
6.3 All boats must keep clear of the starting area until their respective preparatory signal has been raised. The starting area is defined by a rectangle, whose base is between the RC boat and the pin extending 150ft on the non-course side of the line. The remedy for infringement after an appropriate hearing is disqualification from the race.

7. COURSES AND MARKS

- 7.1 Courses will 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 The default finish at the Breakwater (BW) shall be between FI G "3SH" (BW) and the yellow flag on the RC boat
8. **SCORING**
- 8.1 For each division, the low point scoring system (U.S. Sailing Racing Rules Appendix A – using A9 modified to count DNS, DNF, RAF, DSQ and OSC as scored equal to the number of boats coming to the starting area and keeping DNC scored as the number of boats entered in the series) will be used.
- 8.2 The handicap system used to score individual placement of boats in a race is the Time-on-Time System. The Time Correction Factor (TCF) is multiplied to a boats elapsed time to get their corrected time. The formula for TCF is: $TCF = 650 \text{ divided by } (550 + PHRF)$.
- 8.3 **One throw out will be used for this series.**
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 BYC clubhouse notice board prior to the race. Skippers may also 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 RC boat will monitor and make all on water radio communications on **VHF Channel 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 race committee 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 nonbinding 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.
- 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**
- 13.1 Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded in both divisions.
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 **All skippers should strongly encourage their regular crew to be members of Breakwater Yacht Club.**
15. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**
- 15.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the Breakwater Yacht Club, including a copy of these Sailing Instructions. Skippers may also be notified by email.