

BREAKWATER YACHT CLUB
SAG HARBOR, NEW YORK

PRESENTS THE

Black Seal
2011 SPRIT FEST REGATTA

Sponsored by Gosling's Black Seal Rum

Sat., & Sun., June 4th and 5th, 2011

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Rules**
The regatta will be governed by the rules, as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 2. Notices to Competitors**
Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at Breakwater Yacht Club.
 - 2.1** Weigh-in for one designs will be waived, but still remain subject to protest.
- 3. Changes to Sailing Instructions**
 - 3.1** Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 9:00 am on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 8:00 pm on the day before it will take effect.
 - 3.2** Sailing instructions may be changed on the water by raising code flag "L" on the race committee signal boat and making suitable announcement(s) on VHF Channel 72.
- 4. Signals Made Ashore**
 - 4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Breakwater Yacht Club flagpole.
 - 4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.
- 5. Schedule of Racing**
 - 5.1** The first warning signal is scheduled for 10:00 am on Saturday June 4th. The first warning on Sunday June 5th is scheduled for 9:00 am. Every attempt will be made to complete racing by 2:00 pm.
 - 5.2** The order of starts for the first race each day is scheduled as follows:
 - J/109
 - J/105
 - 5.4** One race constitutes a regatta.
- 6. Class Flags**
 - J/109 Class - Numeral pennant one (1) (Red circle on white field)
 - J/105 Class – Numeral pennant two (2) (White circle on blue field)
- 7. Racing Area**
All races will be run in Noyack Bay. The starting area will be to leeward of the leeward mark, which will be set based on the prevailing conditions. The race committee will announce its latitude and longitude over VHF Channel 72 approximately twenty (20) minutes prior to the scheduled first warning each day of the regatta.
- 8. The Courses**
 - 8.1** The diagram in illustration A shows the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
 - 8.2** No later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
 - 8.3** When there is an offset mark, it shall be observed at each rounding of the windward mark, unless the offset mark is removed by the race committee.
 - 8.4** When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.
- 9. Marks**
 - 9.1** Rounding marks of the course will be yellow or orange inflatable buoys. The offset mark will be a ball.
 - 9.2** A new mark, as provided in SI 12 will be an inflatable buoy.
 - 9.3** The starting mark will be a buoy or a boat with an orange flag on a staff.
 - 9.4** The finishing mark will be an orange ball.

10. The Start

- 10.1** Races will be started using rule 26 with the following addition: For races after the first race of the day, an attention signal flag (Flag F with one sound) will be made five minutes before the race committee intends to make the warning signal for the first class to start in that subsequent race. Flag F will be removed with one sound one minute before the warning signal.
- 10.2** The starting line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the race committee signal boat and a port end-starting buoy.
- 10.3** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11. Recalls

- 11.1** The race committee will attempt to hail the recall numbers of OCS boats after the starting signal on VHF Channel 72.
- 11.2** Failure to make a broadcast or hail or to make it in a timely manner will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12. Change of the Next Leg of the Course

- 12.1** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay 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.
- 12.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signaling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.1.
- 12.3** If the race committee intends to start another race on the same day, it will display the Second Substitute (with no sound) while boats are finishing.

13. The Finish

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a yellow flag on the race committee finishing boat and the nearby port end-finishing buoy.

14. Time Limits

- 14.1** The time limit for the first boat to finish in each class is two and one-half (2½) hours.
- 14.2** Boats failing to finish within thirty (30) minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored "Time Limit Expired (TLE)," and will receive two points more than the last boat to finish within the time window. This changes rules 35 and A4.

15. Protests and Requests for Redress

- 15.1** Protest forms are available at the regatta desk at Breakwater YC. Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
- 15.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 45 minutes after the race committee signal boat reaches the BYC dock each day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and the protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2).
- 15.3** Notices will be posted within 20 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at Breakwater YC.
- 15.4** On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered
 - (a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day.
 - (b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.This changes rule 66.

16. Scoring

- 16.1** One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16.2** When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- 16.3** When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. Safety Regulations

- 17.1** Boats shall check in with the race committee before the first warning signal each day by sailing by the race committee signal boat and hailing their class, sail number and name and receiving acknowledgement.
- 17.2** A boat that retires from a race and/or leaves the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.3** Penalties for violations of this SI 17 will be at the discretion of the protest committee.

18. Radio Communications

- 18.1** The race committee will communicate with competitors on VHF Channel 72.
- 18.2** A boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

19. **Prizes**
Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded in all classes.

20. **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.

Illustration A

Course W2: Start – 1 – O – Finish

Course W3: Start – 1 – O – 2P/S – Finish

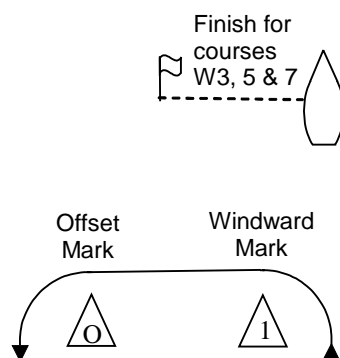
Course W4: Start – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – Finish

Course W5: Start – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – 2 P/S – Finish

Course W6: Start – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – Finish

Course W7: Start – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – 2 P/S – 1 – O – 2 P/S - Finish

Course Wn



The leeward gate may be disregarded immediately after starting and before finishing courses W2, 4 and 6.

The windward and offset marks may be disregarded immediately before finishing courses W3, 5 and 7.

