



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS – 2.4mR – METREFEST – NEWPORT, R.I.

June 8- 11, 2017

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* Including US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 Rules changes in these sailing instructions:
 - 1.2.1 When Flag “AP” is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced by ‘not less than 30 minutes’
 - 1.2.2 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS by the race committee without further hearing. This alters Rules 35, A4.1 and A5.
 - 1.2.3 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and will be given a score of 1 point higher than the score of the last boat to finish. This Changes Rule 25, A4.1 and A5. A separate Time Limit will apply for the Round Rose Island Race.
 - 1.2.4 For races on Saturday June 10th and Sunday June 11th – up to 6 races are scheduled. If less than 6 races are completed, a boat’s series score shall be the total of all her races. If 6 races are completed, a boat’s series score shall be the total of her races scores excluding her worst score.

2.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board at the head of the Alofsin Piers docks at Fort Adams. Notices may also be posted on the event website.

- 3.0 **CHANGES** – Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 9 AM on the day it will take effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the official Notice Board by 8 PM on the day before it will take effect.

4.0 RACING SCHEDULE

- 4.1 On Friday June 9th, up to 2 practice starts may be held between 1 PM and 1:30 PM
- 4.2 Friday June 9th 1:30 PM Warning Signal for Round Rose Island - Race Time Limit 4 hours.
Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes of the first boat to finish will be scored one point higher than the score of the last boat to finish.
- 4.3 Saturday June 10th 11:00 AM First Warning signal – 3 races planned
Sunday June 11th 10:30 AM First Warning signal - 3 races planned
No warning signal will be made after 3:00 PM

5.0 CLASS FLAG - the 2.4m Class logo in blue on a white flag is the warning signal.

6.0 RACING AREA – the racing area is between Rose and Goat Islands, off Newport except that the Round Rose Island race course includes marks to the north of Newport (Pell) Bridge.
A 'South Bay' Chart will be provided.

7.0 COURSES – Friday June 9th

- 7.1 The course for the **Round Rose Island Race** will use race marks chosen from the current Sail Newport South Bay Race chart which will be provided. (See attachment)
- 7.2 Marks, the order in which they are to be rounded and left will be displayed on a white board on the committee boat.
- 7.3 An initial windward mark "W" – an orange tetrahedron - may be set and its distance and bearing will be displayed on a white board on the committee boat. Flag "W" will also be displayed with a green or red flag indicating on which side the mark is to be left.
- 7.4 When sailing on the west side of Rose Island, passage beneath the Newport (Pell) bridge shall be under the span to the EAST side of the center span.
- 7.5 When sailing on the north-east side of Rose Island, passage beneath the Newport (Pell) Bridge shall only be made between the two bridge spans marked by orange tetrahedrons set immediately to leeward of the two spans.
below the bridge roadway.
- 7.6 The finish line will be between the blue flag on a staff on the committee boat anchored approximately 750 yards north of Fort Adams light.
- 7.7 The described spans of the Newport Bridge and the orange tetrahedrons are considered as 'gates' at which the race may be shortened.

8.0 COURSES - Saturday and Sunday, June 10th & 11th – see attachment #2

- 8.1 Original marks will be a orange tetrahedrons. A new mark will be a yellow tetrahedron.
- 8.2 The offset mark will be a small colored "dumpy".

9.0 STARTING & FINISH LINES

- 9.1 The starting line for each race will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the committee boat signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the mark at the port end of the line.
- 9.2 The finish line will be between a staff flying a blue flag on a committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.
- 9.3 The finish mark will be an orange "dumpy". For races finishing to leeward, the finish mark will be set closer to the signal boat than the starting mark.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Before the start of the first race of each day, each competitor shall approach the signal boat on starboard tack and give its name and sail number which will be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 10.2 Races will be started using Rule 26 with the warning signal made five minutes before the start. A series of short sound signals will be made approximately one minute before the course signals are displayed, five minutes before the warning signal.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS by the race committee without further hearing. This changes Rules 35, A4.1 and A5.

11. INDIVIDUAL RECALL – the race committee may attempt to notify the boat or boats being recalled by hailing or broadcasting the sail number(s) on **Ch 79 A**. Failure of a boat to see or hear recall notification or the timing and order of such hails will not be grounds for redress.

12. TIME LIMIT

- 12.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish each race on Saturday & Sunday June 10th & 11th is 60 minutes.
- 12.2 Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) and will be given a score of ONE point more than the last boat to finish. This changes Rules 35, A4.1 and A5.

13. PROTESTS

- 13.1 At the finish of each race or after withdrawal from a race, a boat lodging a protest shall inform the race committee of the sail number of the boat being protested.
- 13.2 Protest and redress forms are available outside the Sailing Office at Harbour Court. Completed protest forms and requests for redress must be submitted to the Protest Committee Secretary at the Sailing Office at Harbour Court as soon as possible and not later than 75 minutes after the race committee signal boat has docked. The docking time and time limit for submitting a protest or request for redress will be posted on the Notice Board at the Alofsin Piers at Fort Adams and at the Sailing office at Harbour Court.
- 13.3 Protest notices will be posted at the Sailing Center and on the official notice board at Fort Adams as soon as possible after the end of protest time limit to inform all competitors of the time of the hearing to which they may be a party.
- 13.4 All protest hearing will be heard at the Sailing Center at Harbour Court. Tel – 401 845 9633

14. BOAT WITHDRAWAL – any boat withdrawing from a race shall notify the Race Committee signal boat or a safety boat.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 15.1 The Race Committee channel will be **Ch 79 A (note - this is a USA channel)**
- 15.2 Except in an emergency, a boats shall not make nor receive any radio transmissions while racing not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

16. SCORING

- 16.1 The Round Rose Island race on Friday is a separate race and will not be scored as part of the races on Saturday & Sunday, June 10th & 11th
- 16.2 The Low Point Scoring system Appendix A 4 will apply except as noted below.
- 16.3 Up to 6 races are scheduled of which 2 completed races will make a series.
- 16.4 If less than 6 races are completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of all her race scores.
- 16.5 When 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17. NAVIGATION ADVISORY & EXCLUSION ZONE

17.1 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and that sailing vessels do not have right-of-way over a vessel under power which may be restricted in her ability to maneuver. Boats that interfere with right-of-way under power and are witnessed by or reported to the race committee are subject to protest by the race committee.

17.2 A security zone extends along the west shore of the Navy base from the breakwater at Coddington Cove to the Navy War College and is marked by a series of white buoys. Boats shall not sail to the east of the line between any two of the white buoys.

18. PRIZES – Prizes will be presented to the winner of the Round Rose Island race and to the first, second and third series places for races on Saturday & Sunday, June 10th and 11th.

19. TIDAL INFORMATION

Newport

Friday June 9 th	High 0835	Low 1342
Saturday June 10 th	High 0912	Low 1424
Sunday June 11 th	High 0950	Low 1505

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