

BHYC Commodore's Cup Fleet Races
 June 24, July 22, August 5, 12, 19, 2018
Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club
 Boothbay Harbor, Maine



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B – [Special Regulations for inshore races](#) shall apply.
- 1.3 All boats in all classes shall carry a functioning VHF radio.
- 1.4 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.5 Boats racing in One Design classes shall comply with the appropriate Class Rules.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices will be placed online at Regattaman.com and/or on the official notice board inside the “Casino”.


3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be provided at the Skippers Meeting.
- 3.2 Changes may be made to the Sailing Instructions on the water by the Race Committee per RRS 90.2 (c).





4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole on the dock at BHYC.
- 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

- 5.1 Skippers’ Meeting will be held at 1130 hours.
- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with several sounds at least one minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.3 First Warning signal is scheduled for 1300.
- 5.4 Code Flag ‘R’  displayed with no sound from the RC Signal Boat at the finish line means “racing will continue today”. No warning signals shall be after 1630.

6. CLASS FLAGS

PHRF Racing	Numeral Pennant “1”	
J/80 Class	J/80 Class Flag	
J/22 Class	Numeral Pennant “2”	
BHOD Class	BHOD Class Flag	

7. COURSES

- 7.1 For Windward-Leeward Courses, no later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will announce a Windward-Leeward Course followed by the designation of “F”, “G” or “H” which will indicated the number of legs of the course to be sailed. The committee signal boat will also endeavor to announce the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg. All marks will be left to port. If the windward mark is clearly visible from the starting area the compass bearing and distance may not be announced. The failure to announce the compass bearing and distance shall not be grounds for redress.
- 7.2 Windward-Leeward courses are illustrated in Addendum A.
- 7.3 Alternately, for Government Mark Courses, the course may be signaled on the RC signal boat or announced using letters indicated in table 8.1 below and on the chart on the last page of these sailing instructions. All marks to be left to port unless the letter for the mark is followed by a plus sign (+) in which case the mark is to be left to starboard. Laminated course charts are available at the BHYC Ships Store for \$8.00.



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8. MARKS OF THE COURSE:

8.1 The following government navigational aids or drop marks may be used as follows (see chart in Addendum B on last page):

A	N 43 46.4 / W 069 39.0	G Bell "1C" S of Cuckolds Light
C	N 43.45.6 / W 069.41.1	R Bell "2SR" Approx 1 mile SW of Mark "I" (not on chart)
F	N 43.44.7 / W 069.37.1	RW "TM" Gong off Damariscove Harbor (SW of entrance)
G	N 43 48.4 / W 069 34.8	RW Bell MO(A) "HL" 0.88 nm NE by E of Ram Island Light
I	N 43.46.2 / W 069.33.7	G "1" on Outer Heron Island Ledge
J	N 43 48.5 / W 069 36.4	N "6" in Fisherman Island Passage
K	N 43 49.7 / W 069 37.7	Portable mark near N "6" off Spruce Point, Boothbay Hbr or N "6" itself if no mark present
L	N 43 48.9 / W 069 38.2	R "4" Fl R 2.5s NW of Squirrel Island
M	N 43 50.3 / W 069 38.2	R "8" Fl R 4s NW of Tumbler Island
O	N 43 48.4 / W 069 35.8	G "3" between Ocean Point and Ram island
P	N 43 49.1 / W 069 34.8	GR gong "DR" S of Little River
Q	N 43 49.3 / W 069 38.4	GR "BL" S of Burnt Island
S	N 43 50.2 / W 069 36.4	G "3" S of Cabbage Island in Linekin Bay
T	N 43 47.6 / W 069 38.5	Drop mark at the 52' spot NE of Newagen
U	N 43 47.1 / W 069 37.4	Drop mark at the 32' spot S of Squirrel
V	N 43.50.1 / W 069.38.5	Drop mark NW of Mouse Island
W	N 43 48.1 / W 069 36.8	Drop mark at 16' spot W of Fisherman Island at Wylie Rock
X	N/A	Drop mark at location specified by Race Committee

9. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS



- 9.1 Boats shall not sail between mark "A" and the Cuckolds when mark "A" is not a designated mark of the course.
- 9.2 Boats shall not sail between mark "J" and Ocean Point when mark "J" is not a designated mark of the course.
- 9.3 Boats shall not sail between Fisherman's Island and The Hypocrites.
- 9.4 Boats shall not sail between Fisherman's Island and Ram Island.
- 9.5 Boats shall not sail between Tumbler Island and Spruce Point.

10. COURSE LEGS, MAGNETIC BEARINGS, DISTANCE

Leg	Distance (NM)	Bearing(s)	Reciprocal(s)
K-T	2.13	211	031
K-A	3.07	215	035
K-L	0.78	219	039
K-M	0.68	350	170
K-N via R8	1.21	350/016	170/196
A-J	2.50	064	244
T-J	1.76	079	259
L-S via N2	1.85	072/054	252/234
S-K via N2	1.37	236/310	056/130
J-G	1.14	110	290
J-K	1.53	336	156



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11. **THE START** – Races will be started in accordance with rule 26 (which may not include visual signals). The lack of visual signals will be grounds for redress.
12. **STARTING and FINISH LINE**
 - 12.1 Unless otherwise announced, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an ORANGE flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a portable buoy in the vicinity of red nun “6” off Spruce Point. RC Signal boat may display code flag “L”  and proceed to new location.
 - 12.2 A limiting mark may be placed at the starting line, either streamed from or in close proximity to the signal boat. Boats striking this limiting mark or sailing between the mark and the signal boat will be considered in violation of RRS 31.
 - 12.3 Boats not within five minutes of their scheduled start shall avoid the starting area.
 - 12.4 The Race Committee will attempt to identify recalled boats by hail or broadcast over the designated VHF channel: **Ch 72**. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification will not be grounds for redress. The failure to hail, or the hail of some but not all, or untimely hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).
 - 12.5 The finish line shall be on the same side of the committee boat as the starting line and shall be between the BLUE flag on the signal boat and a nearby drop mark.
13. **CHANGES TO THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**
 - 13.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will move the next mark (or finish line) to a new position and signal all boats before they begin the next leg.
 - 13.2 The direction of the changed course will be announced on the VHS and/or identified with a board showing the bearing to the next mark per RRS 33 (a) (1).
14. **PENALTY SYSTEM**
 - 14.1 The two turns penalty, RRS 44.2, will be in effect for racing (spinnaker) divisions.
15. **TIME LIMIT**
 - 15.1 The time limit for each race is three hours.
 - 15.2 Time limits for boats to finish after the first boat in class sails the course and finishes is 30 minutes for one design classes and 60 minutes for PHRF division.
 - 15.3 Boats failing to finish within the specified time above after the first boat in class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
16. **PROTESTS**
 - 16.1 Protest forms are available from the race committee.
 - 16.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal vessel docks.
 - 16.3 The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as practicable after the race in a location specified on the notice board. Code flag “B”  will be displayed on the signal mast at BHC during the time protests may be filed. It will be lowered with one sound when the time limit expires.
17. **SCORING**
 - 17.1 One race shall constitute a series. Multiple races may be held each day at the discretion of the Race Committee.
 - 17.2 A boat's score for each day shall include all races held without discards. This modifies Rule A2.
 - 17.3 The series score shall be based upon combined scores for each day to create five “race days”. Scoring shall be calculated using the CHIPS 3 High Point scoring system. The scores for the best four race days will be used to determine series final positions.
 - 17.4 PHRF Division will be scored using standard “Time on Distance” Calculation.



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18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 18.1 The race committee will monitor **VHF channel 72** for emergency transmissions. The race committee may also be using **VHF channel 72** for working communications, and may employ an “open mike” policy. Boats may monitor **VHF channel 72**, but are advised that any race committee communications are unofficial, and made either for race management purposes or as a courtesy to the competitors.

19. SAFETY

- 19.1 All yachts are requested to check-in with the Race Committee before the start of the race by sailing past the RC signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their sail number and number of people on board, and receiving confirmation from the Race Committee, or by calling on **VHF channel 72**.
- 19.2 A yacht that retires must notify the RC as soon as possible.

20. PRIZES AND TROPHIES

- 20.1 In divisions with 6 or more entries, regatta prizes will be given to first, second, and third place boats in each division. First and second place prizes will be awarded to classes/divisions with 4 to 5 entries. First place trophy will be presented in classes with fewer than 4 boats.
- 20.2 Boats with a valid rating certificate issued by PHRF-New England and which are registered as members of the Gulf of Maine Ocean Racing Association (GMORA) will be scored as part of the GMORA Boothbay Region and Overall series.

21. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entire at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority accepts no liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

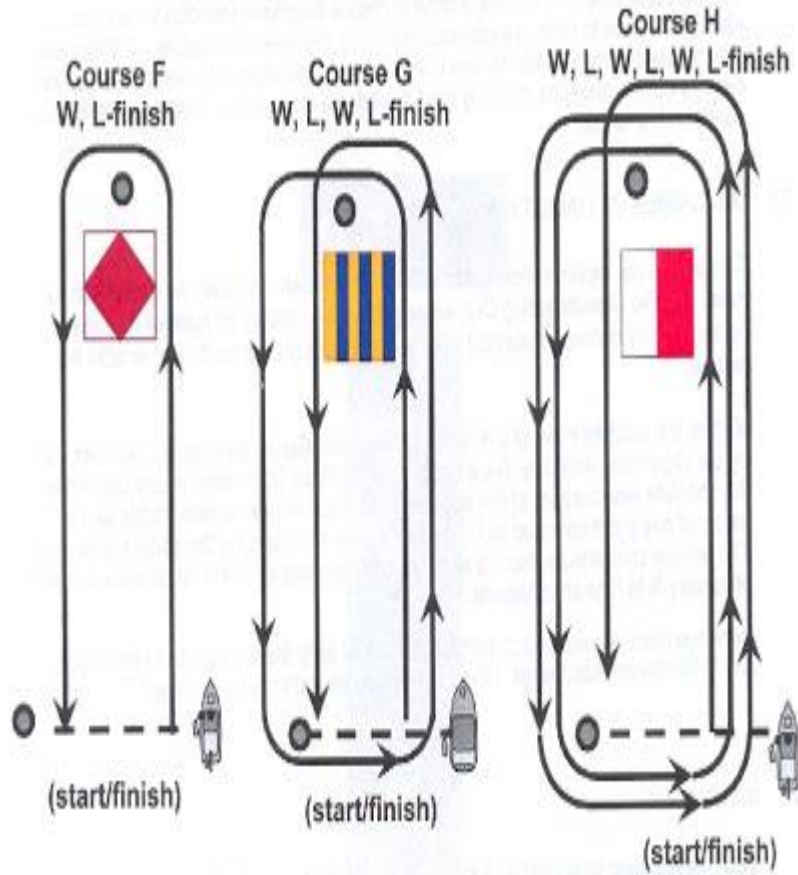
22. INSURANCE

- 22.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a recommended minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.



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Attachment A. Chart of Courses





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NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATION

