

Harraseeket Regatta - Sailing Instructions

Saturday June 23, 2018

1. Rules:

This regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, as adopted by US Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing, The Notice of Race (except as any of these are altered by the Sailing Instructions) and the Sailing Instructions.

2. Safety:

In addition to the requirements of the RRS, applicable class rules and the US Coast Guard, all boats are required to be in compliance with the 2003-04 (or more current) Offshore Racing Council (ORC) Special Regulations for Category 4. While the Race Committee may modify, shorten the course or abandon the race if there are concerns about crew or vessel safety on account of weather considerations, ultimately it is the responsibility of the owner/skipper of each yacht participating as to whether to participate, continue, or withdraw from the race.

3. Entries: (see NOR)

Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form with current PHRF or Multihull certificate and payment of \$75.00 to Harraseeket Yacht Club. Registration deadline: **Tuesday June 19 at 1200** – No “day-of” registrations. Classes may be divided by PHRF:

- Class A PHRF 102 and lower
- Class B PHRF 103 and up
- Class C Cruising
- Class D Multi-hull

4. Notices to Competitors:

Notices to competitors will be posted on the bulletin board outside the HYC clubhouse. Changes to Sailing Instructions will be posted by 1000 on the day of the race.

5. Signals made from shore:

Signals made from shore will be displayed from the flag pole in front of HYC. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 min after the AP is lowered.

6. Schedule:

- 1000 Skipper Meeting
- 1135 Warning Signal
- 1600 to 1900 Post Race Party

7. Starting and Finishing:

This is a Pursuit Race format. Yachts will start according to a starting schedule handed out at the skippers meeting. The highest handicapped yachts will be starting first. It is the

skipper's responsibility to properly start. The Race Committee will attempt to notify any vessel that may start prematurely by hail or by VHF #72. All yachts not starting should stay clear of the starting area. The starting area will be in the vicinity of C "1" off Moshier Island. The starting and finish line will be between an orange flag on the RC Boat and a Drop Mark or government navigational buoy. All competitors must sail by the RC before the warning signal to check in with boat name & sail number. Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Rule 26 modified as follows:

Signal - Flag and sound - Minutes before starting signal

Warning, 5 minutes to start

Class Flag; 1 Sound

Preparatory, 4 minutes to start

"P" Flag; 1 Sound

One-minute to start

Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound

Start

Class Flag dropped; 1 Sound

1 long horn will sound at the start time for all following boats until the end of the starting sequence is completed.

8. Starting Area:

No yachts may enter within eight boat lengths of the starting area until 10 minutes prior to their designated starting time. Any yacht found to have violated this rule will have 5 minutes add to their finish time. If time and weather allows the Race Committee may institute a starting box created by the RC boat, starting line buoy and two other buoys directly behind the starting line. If in place no yachts may enter the starting box area until 10 minutes prior to their designated starting time. Finish line will be in the vicinity of Potts Harbor and the Dolphin Marina.

9. Recalls:

The Race Committee **will attempt** to identify recalled boats by broadcast over VHF channel 72 and by hail from the committee boat. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification shall not be grounds for redress.

10. Racing Area:

The course will be handed out at the skippers meeting. The course will be from the starting area in the vicinity of C"1" off Moshier Island and finishing in the vicinity of Potts Harbor and the Dolphin Marina.

11. Shortening Course:

The course may be shortened at any turning mark of the course.

12. Official Time and Time limit:

Official Time will be UTC -4. (In other words, it is GPS time)
There will be a time limit of 1600. Any boat finishing after that time will be scored a DNF.

13. Protest:

720 rule is in effect. Please observe the current Racing Rules of Sailing. In the event of a protest, protests shall be in writing and delivered to the Race Committee boat within 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks. For the purpose of lodging protests, the use of a mooring by the Race Committee Boat shall be considered "docking". Protests received will be posted on a Bulletin Board. A hearing will be held as soon as possible. It is the sole responsibility of each party in a protest to remain in the vicinity for any Protest Hearing proceedings.

14. Trophies/Awards:

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place yachts in Class A, B, and Cruising and shall be presented immediately following the race at the post-race party.