

Harraseeket Regatta - Sailing Instructions

Saturday, June 22, 2019

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:

While the Race Committee may modify, shorten the course, or abandon the race, if there are concerns about crew or vessel safety due to 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 18 at 1200.** 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 Skippers Meeting

1155 Warning Signal

1600 to 1900 Post-Race Party

7. Starting and Finishing:

This is a Pursuit Race format. Yachts will start according to a schedule handed out at the skippers meeting. The highest handicapped yachts will start 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 shall stay clear of the starting area.**

The starting area will be in the vicinity of GC "1" northeast of Moshier Island. The start and finish lines 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 and 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

One long horn will sound at the start time for all following boats until the last boat has started.

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 five minutes added 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 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 starting area will be in the vicinity of GC "1" northeast of Moshier Island; the finish will be in the vicinity of Potts Harbor and 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. Protests:

The 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 first, second, and third place yachts in Class A, B, and Cruising, and shall be presented immediately following the race at the post-race party.