

Bluewater Regatta 2021

July 17th, 2021
Centerboard Yacht Club
271 Front St South Portland, ME 04106

Sailing Instructions (S.I.)

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](#) apply.
- 1.3 All boats in all classes shall carry a functioning VHF radio and monitor Ch. 67.
- 1.4 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.5 Rule 75.1 is waived for this event.
- 1.6 Boats sailing in a One Design class shall comply with the requirements of the Class Rules.

2. Notices To Competitors

- 2.1 Notices shall be available at regattaman.com.

3. Changes To Sailing Instructions

- 3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 hours on the day they will take effect.
- 3.2 Changes may be made to the Sailing Instructions on the water by the Race Committee per RRS 90.2(c), flag L shall be displayed with class flag, if appropriate. The change will be announced on VHF CH 67. This changes RRS Race Signals.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag pole on the front lawn at CYC and announced on VHF CH 67 at 0900 and 0930.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 60 minutes’ in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 Skippers’ Meeting will be held at 1800 hours on Friday July 16th.
- 5.2 First Warning signal is scheduled for 1100 hours Saturday July 17th.
- 5.3 The Principle Race Officer determines the number of races each day. When the Race Committee displays Code Flag ‘R’ from the RC Signal Vessel at the finish line racing will continue. It is our intention to only have 1 race but the RC reserves the right to run additional races.
- 5.4 No race will be started after 1500.

6. Classes

- 6.1 Class breaks are:

Racing A all racing boats.

White Sails A up to 179 or over 33ft

White Sails B 180 and up

- 6.2 Class Flags: Racing A – Blue letter A on a white background
Racing B – Blue letter B on a white background
White Sails A – Blue letter CR on a white background
White Sails B - Blue C on a white background.

7. Courses

- 7.1 The course will be posted on regattaman.com in addition to the Race Committee Signal Vessel. If any dispute over the correct course arises, the course posted on the Race Committee Signal Vessel will be considered the official course.

7.2A Each class or classes will be listed on the top line of the course board on the Race Committee Signal Vessel. Each line below will list a mark of the course as a letter. The color next to the letter will signify the proper rounding of the mark. Red signifies leaving the mark to port and Green signifies leaving the mark to starboard. If no color is posted next to a letter, you may round the mark in either direction. The joint PYC-CYC mark list is attached as Appendix A. The joint PYC-CYC mark list will be available on regattaman.com and on the water from the signal vessel.

7.2B Add Long Island, LL to marks.

7.3 Racing divisions will be posted on the aft port side of the Race Committee Signal Vessel, White Sails A division will be posted on the aft starboard side of the Race Committee Signal Vessel. White Sails B will be posted port side under B Fleet.

7.4 A change of course after the start will be signaled near the mark beginning the leg being changed by a race committee boat with repetitive sound signals. The change will be displayed on the course board before the leading yacht has begun the leg and will indicate all remaining marks with the color next to the letter signifying the proper rounding of the mark.

8. Start

8.1 Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

8.2 Starts will be rolling starts in the order described in Appendix B.

8.3 The location of the start will be in the vicinity of General Anchorage A as shown on NOAA Chart 13292.

9. Starting and Finishing Line

9.1 Unless otherwise announced, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Vessel and a nearby inflatable mark.

9.2 A limiting mark may be streamed from or near the signal vessel. Boats striking this limiting mark or sailing between the mark and the signal vessel will be considered in violation of RRS 31.

9.3. The gun or other sound signals is for the purpose of calling attention to visual signals. Visual signals govern. A failure or mistiming of a gun or other sound signal shall be disregarded.

9.4 The Race Committee will attempt to hail or broadcast over VHF Ch 67 boats deemed on the course side (OCS) at the start. 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).

9.5 The Finish Line shall be between a solid ORANGE flag on the Race Committee Finish Vessel and a nearby drop mark.

9.7 The course may be shortened without prior notice to any mark of the course that a race committee boat is anchored near while flying code flag S. When the course has been shortened the Finish Line shall be between the Race Committee Boat and mark regardless of the course prescribed rounding.

10. Alternative Penalties

10.1 The two-turns penalty as defined in RRS 44.1 will apply to infringements of RRS Part 2 When Boats Meet.

10.2 The one-turn penalty as defined in RRS 44.1 will apply to touching a mark.

10.3 If a willful violation of RRS 14 resulting in a collision occurs, RRS 69.1 will be applied. The penalty shall be a ban from all racing at Centerboard Yacht Club for up to 1 complete season. RRS 69.2h(3)

11. Time Limit

11.1 The Race Committee will remain on station until 1800. Boats still racing after 1800 shall take their own finish using GPS time, as they cross the finish line mark's GPS lat/long as posted on regattaman.com and email or text the PRO.

12. Protests

12.1 Protest forms are available in the CYC Steward's Shed, from the race committee or online.

12.2 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee finish vessel docks.

13. Scoring

- 13.1 A boat's score shall include all races.
- 13.2 Races will be scored using PHRF Time on Time.
- 13.3 The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A shall be used.
- 13.4 Ties will be broken by total corrected time for the series.

14. Radio Communication

14.1 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 13/16 for emergency transmissions. The race committee will use VHF channel 67 for working communications and may employ an "open mike" policy. Boats are advised that any race committee communications are unofficial and made either for race management purposes or as a courtesy to the competitors.

15. Safety

15.1 All boats will be required to check in on regattaman.com before the start of the regatta or hail the Race Committee on VHF 67. Check In will be open 70 minutes before the start. Failure to check in will result in the boat being scored Did Not Compete (DNC).

15.2 A boat that retires shall notify the RC as soon as possible. If the RC can not be reached by radio, text (207) 570-2516. Failure to notify the RC will result in boat being scored Disqualification Not Excludable (DNE).

This will cause a last place score that cannot be discarded under section 15.1 above.

15.3 Heavy Shipping. These races are held under a permit granted by the U.S. Coast Guard. Tankers and other large ships that are constrained by their draft frequent Portland Harbor, particularly the area from Spring Point to Portland Head. They have the right of way. Please be mindful that we share the harbor with this traffic. All yachts are to stay a safe distance from these vessels. Ship traffic will not be considered grounds for redress.

Boats identified who endanger their own safety, or that of a commercial or government vessel will be subject to protest by a Race Committee (RC) or contestant and face possible disqualification. RRS 60.3 is modified to add (d) to read: A hearing for allegations of the above will be instigated by a protest committee if notified by government, commercial or individual vessel of possible infraction. It shall also extend the time limit under RRS 61.3 to accept the information. A Safety violation will result in a DNE.

15.4 Schooners shall be considered "Vessels Restricted in Their Ability to Maneuver" under USCG Navigation Rules.

16. Prizes

16.1 Series prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be awarded for all classes in each series.

17. Disclaimer Of Liability

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

18. Insurance

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

19. Race Officials

19.1 RC PRO – Josh Biermann at (802) 2330-441

19.2 Protest Committee – Chip Gavin at chipgavin@gmail.com

19.3 Party Coordinator - Courtney Babyak cb006@aol.com

End of Sailing Instructions
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Appendix A Bluewater Regatta

CYC/PYC Joint Inshore Marks

A	GR C "CIL"	N Cow Is. Ledge
B	C"11"	E The Brothers
C	N"4"	NW Cow Is.
D	N"10"	NW Great Diamond Is.
E	C"9"	W Great Diamond Is.
F	G"1" Fl G 4s	Fish Point
G	N"4"	NE Pomroy Rk
H	N"4"	NW Little Diamond Is.
L	Drop	Leeward Mark
W	Drop	Windward Mark
X	Drop	Start/Finish Mark

CYC Inshore Portland Harbor Marks

Exiting the Ship Channel

CI	G"5" Fl G 4s	N Bug Light
CJ	N"2"	SW Little Diamond Is.
CK	R"4" Fl R 2.5s	SW Ft. Georges
CM	G"3" Fl G 4s	NE Bug Light
CN	C"1"	NE House Is.
CO	G"1" Fl G 2.5s	N Spring Point
CP	G"17" Fl G 4s	SW House Is.
CR	R"16" Fl R 4s	S House Is.
CS	R"14" Fl R 2.5s	SW Cushing Is.
CT	G"13" Fl G 2.5s	Danford Cove
CU	R"12" QR Bell	SW Cushing Is.
CV	G"11" QG	N Portland Head
YA	Y"A" Fl Y 4s	W House Is.
YB	Y"B" Fl Y Bell	S Little Diamond Is.
YC	Y N "C"	W Little Diamond Is.
HH		House Island
LL		Long Island
YY		Cushing Island

Joint CYC/PYC Offshore Marks

OA	R"2" Fl R 4s Bell	S Hope Is.
OB	R"6" Bell	SW Cliff Is.
OC	R"4" Fl R 4s	E Hussey Sound
OD	G"3" Fl G 4s	SE Hussey Sound
OE	N"4"	The Hussey
OF	R"2" Fl R 6s	SW The Hussey
OG	BR"D" Fl Bell	SE Portland Head
OH	R"2" Fl Bell	Witch Rock
OI	G"1" Fl Gong	SE Witch Rock
OJ	G"7" Fl Gong	Willard Rock
OK	G C"5"	Broad Cove Rock
OL	G"1EC" Fl G	East Cod Ledge
OM	RGN "BS"	Bulwark Shoal
ON	R"4" Fl Whis	West Cod Ledge Rk

OO R"2" FI Whis Old Anthony Rk
OP RW"P" MO(A) Lightship replacement

Appendix B

Intended Starting Order Saturday July 17th

Class	Class Flag	Start Time
Racing A	White flag with blue A	1105
White Sails A	White flag with blue CR	1110
White Sails B .	White flag with blue letter C.	1115