



Newport Yacht Club

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2000 SPRING AND SUMMER CRUISING SERIES

1. RULES

Racing will be conducted in accordance with the following: (1) the Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000, including the prescriptions of US Sailing; (2) Class Associations rules for One-Design classes; (3) The NYC Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto.

2. ELIGIBILITY:

- 2.1 Boats that have completed the registration requirements with the Newport Yacht Club shall become an Eligible boats.
- 2.2 A boat will become an eligible boat once it has properly registered with the Newport Yacht Club by completing a Newport Yacht Club 2000 Spring/Summer Registration form, a 2000 PHRF Narragansett Bay rating certificate and has paid the registration fee.
- 2.3 To compete and be scored, a boat must be an eligible boat.
- 2.4 The Newport Yacht Club will provide a separate start for the Ensign class in the Summer Series if five or more yachts are properly registered by June 15, 2000.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

The Spring Cruising Series will begin on May 17, 2000, and will continue on each following Wednesday evening through June 21, 2000. The Summer Cruising Series will begin on July 5, 2000 and continue on each Wednesday evening through August 30, 2000.

- 3.1 Should wind, weather or other conditions make it impossible to complete the scheduled number of races, the series results will be based on the number of races completed.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Regatta Bulletin Board located at the Newport Yacht Club.

5. CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1600 hours on the day it will take effect.

6. SIGNALS

- 6.1 Signals made ashore will be hoisted on the flagstaff at the Newport Yacht Club.
- 6.2 Code flag "N" means "All races are abandoned, return to the starting area." followed by 3 sound signals.
- 6.3 Code flags "N" over "A" means "All racing is abandoned, No more racing today." followed by 3 sound signals.
- 6.4 Fog and any other conditions deemed unsafe for crews or yachts may be cause for abandonment at the discretion of the Race Committee. Signals will be made accordingly.
- 6.5 On the water signals will be as described in Part 3 and the Back Cover of the Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000, including the prescriptions of US Sailing.
- 6.6 NYC will monitor and make announcement using VHF Channel 78.
- 6.7 On the water signals will be as described in Part 3 and the Back Cover of the Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000, including the prescriptions of US Sailing. Announcements will be made by 1700 hours.

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7. Class Designators

7.1 Spring Series

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| 7.1.1 | Class I | PHRF rating 180 and below |
| 7.1.2 | Class II | PHRF rating 181 and above |

7.2 Summer Series

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| 7.2.1 | Class I | PHRF rating 180 and below with Spinnaker |
| 7.2.2 | Class II | PHRF rating 180 and below |
| 7.2.3 | Class III | PHRF rating 181 and above with Spinnaker |
| 7.2.4 | Class IV | PHRF rating 181 and above |
| 7.2.5 | Ensign | One Design |

7.3 CLASS DESIGNATORS and STARTING SEQUENCE

Spring Series:

Class	Signal	Time	Shape
	Warning	1800	Yellow
	Prep	1805	Blue
I	Start	1810	Red
II	Start	1815	Blue

Summer Series:

Class	Signal	Time	Shape
	Warning	1800	Yellow
	Prep	1805	Blue
I and III	Start	1810	Red
II and IV	Start	1815	Blue
Ensign	Start	1820	Red

8. RACING AREA

The starting line will be located in the area South of Rose Island.

9. STARTING

- 9.1 Races will be started using Rule 26, system 2 with classes starting at 5-minute intervals.
- 9.2 The starting line will be between the orange flag or shape on the race committee boat, and the port end-starting pin or shape.
- 9.3 Boats whose Prep Signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose Prep Signal has been made.
- 9.4 A boat shall not start later than 4 minutes after her starting signal.
- 9.5 Two or more boats of the same class must appear in the starting area for a race to be started.

10. THE COURSES

- 10.1 Course will be selected from the 1998/2000 South Bay Racing chart and List. The course for each class will be posted under its designator.
- 10.2 A number 2 (two) in parentheses under a course indicates that the entire course is to be sailed twice around.

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11. RECALLS

- 11.1 The raising of the "X" flag with one long sound signal will signal individual recalls. The race committee is **not** responsible for notifying the offending boat. The flag will be lowered when all boats are considered clear and/or one minute before the start of the next class.
- 11.2 The raising of the 1st substitute flag with two sound signals will signal a general recall. The flag will be lowered one minute before the start of the next class. The class recalled will re-start at the end of the starting sequence in progress.

12. POSTPONEMENT

Rule 4.1 "AP" Answering Pennant- Postponement Signal is amended to read: If an AP has interrupted a starting sequence, The **prep** signal will be made one minute after this signal is lowered. If a new course is signaled during this postponement, code flag "C" will be displayed with a new course signal before the prep signal for a class that has not started.

13. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

720 degree turns as described in the Racing Rules of Sailing 1997-2000, including the prescriptions of US Sailing Part 4 Rule 44.1 and 44.2, amended to require a boat which has accepted an Alternative Penalty and done her turns to advise the race committee after finishing.

14. THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line will be between the orange flag or shape on the race committee boat, and the nearby pin or shape.
- 14.2 **No Yacht shall pass through the finish line unless finishing.**

15. TIME LIMIT

The first boat in a class must finish before 30 minutes after sunset at Newport; any boat not finishing within one hour after sunset will be scored DNF.

16. PROTESTS

Protest shall be filed at the Newport Yacht Club within 24 hours of the boats finishing time, on US SAILING protest forms. Protest forms are available at the Newport Yacht Club. They are to be filed in the locked protest box at NYC.

17. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 17.1 All Government Aids to Navigation must be observed except those designated as turning marks.

18. SCORING

- 18.1 Races will be scored using the low point system. Neither DSQs or OCS' may be used as a throw out. A boat must sail at least **60%** of the races sailed to qualify.
- 18.2 No unregistered boat will be scored.