

**New Bedford Yacht Club  
END OF SUMMER REGATTA  
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS  
September 23, 2018**

**1.0 RULES**

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Each entrant must have sail numbers on her sail. Sail number changes must be provided before the first warning signal.

**2.0 NOTICES**

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the NBYC Race Committee bulletin board located near the Commodores' parking area.
- 2.2 Please monitor VHF channel 69 throughout the race for announcements from the race committee.

**3.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the NBYC flagpole indicating postponement or abandonment of the day's racing.
- 3.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than sixty (60) minutes" in the race signal AP.

**4.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 4.1 The first warning signal will be at 1100 hours.

**5.0 CLASS FLAGS**

- 5.1 PHRF Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker.

<b>CLASS II</b>	<b>PHRF Race</b>	<b>Class flag is Numeral Pennant 2</b>
<b>CLASS III</b>	<b>PHRF Cruise</b>	<b>Class flag is Numeral Pennant 3</b>

**6.0 RACING AREA**

- 6.1 Racing will take place south of the Padanaram breakwater.
- 6.2 While races generally start in the vicinity of Mark "Delta"  $\Delta$ , participants should monitor VHF channel 69 to determine the location of the start for each race.

**7.0 COURSES**

- 7.1 Courses will be designated by letters or symbols displayed on the Race Committee boat course board.
- 7.2 The RC may change any course prior to the warning signal. It is the responsibility of each yacht to note the course posted at the time of its warning signal.
- 7.3 If the Race Committee hoists code flag "L", it means come within hail and/or turn your VHF radio to channel 69 and stand by for an announcement.
- 7.4 Course circulars are available at the Club office.

**8.0 MARKS**

- 8.1 Marks shall consist of NBYC race marks and government marks as listed in the NBYC course sheet.
- 8.2 All marks shall be rounded on the side farthest from the next mark except all 180° roundings shall be made leaving the mark to port. In rare cases, due to the requirement of

running several classes around different courses, the RC may direct a class to round a mark on a certain side.

8.3 The RC will hoist Flag L and announce any changes over VHF radio channel 69.

8.4 *The Race Committee may hoist a solid red flag to indicate all marks to be left to port.*

## **9.0 THE START**

9.1 First warning signal 1100 hours, first class start at 1105 hours.

9.2 Starts will be in accordance with RRS Rule 26, including language for staying clear of the starting line.

9.3 Signals will be made as follows:

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Flag and sound</i>	<i>Minutes before starting signal</i>
Warning	Class flag; 1 sound	5
Preparatory	P flag; 1 sound	4
One-minute	Preparatory flag removed; 1 long sound	1
Starting	Class flag removed; 1 sound	0

9.4 While it is the intention of the RC to start all classes five minutes apart (i.e. the warning signal for the next class will be the start of the preceding class) this may not always happen. The class flag shall be hoisted at the warning signal for each class between a staff on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the starting mark.

## **10.0 THE FINISH**

10.1 The finish will be between a staff on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the last mark of the course.

## **11.0 TIME LIMIT**

11.1 For handicap classes, the first boat in each class must finish by 1600 hrs. All boats must finish within one hour of the first boat in its class.

## **12.0 SCORING**

12.1 The Low-Point Scoring System of RRS, Appendix A.

## **13.0 PROTEST**

13.1 Protests will be heard within one week of the event.

## **14.0 LEAVING THE RACE COURSE/EMERGENCY**

14.1 Any participant of an NBYC sponsored race who leaves the race course after starting a race must notify the Race Committee as soon as possible:

- NBYC Race Committee monitors VHF channel 69
- NBYC office monitors VHF channel 68; Phone (508) 997-0762
- Dartmouth Harbormaster monitors VHF channel 9; Phone (508) 999-0759
- St. Luke's Hospital; Phone (508) 997-1515