

**New Bedford Yacht Club**  
**HORATIO BREWSTER MEMORIAL PURSUIT RACE**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**  
**June 16, 2018**

**1.0 GENERAL**

1.1 The event will consist of a pursuit race which will leave Padanaram Harbor and finish at Cuttyhunk Island.

**2.0 RULES**

2.1 All races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing.  
2.2 No spinnakers or other free flying headsails are allowed.

**3.0 NOTICES**

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Race Committee bulletin board located near the Commodores' parking area.  
3.2 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 hours.  
3.3 The Race Committee will endeavor to decide no later than 0900 hours whether to run the race. All competitors are encouraged to contact the NBYC to learn the status of the day's race.

**4.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

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

**5.0 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

5.1 Warning signal for the first boat will be at 0955 hours Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup>.

**6.0 CLASS FLAG**

6.1 **CLASS III**                      **PHRF Cruise**                      **Class flag is Numeral Pennant 3**

**7.0 RACING AREA**

7.1 Racing will take place in Buzzards Bay south of the Padanaram breakwater and extend to Bell R "6" of the mouth of Cuttyhunk Harbor.

**8.0 COURSES AND MARKS**

8.1 The course will start at Mark "Z" approximately 0.6m south of the Padanaram breakwater and finish in the vicinity of Bell R "6", off the mouth of Cuttyhunk Harbor. Distance is 8.6 miles.

**9.0 RESTRICTIONS**

9.1 All yachts must pass east of C1 (Hussey Rock) and east of G5 (Dumpling Rock).

**10.0 THE START**

10.1 The start is a pursuit start. The sequence for the first boat will be according to RRS 26.

10.2 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                                     |

10.3 A horn will be sounded at the start of each subsequent boat. **SKIPPERS MUST OBTAIN THEIR STARTING TIMES AT THE CLUB OFFICE PRIOR TO THE START OF THE RACE.**

10.4 The starting line will be between a staff on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the starting mark.

## **11.0 THE FINISH**

11.1 The finish will be between a staff on the committee boat displaying an orange flag and the finish mark in the vicinity of Bell R "6" off the mouth of Cuttyhunk Harbor.

## **12.0 TIME LIMIT**

12.1 The first boat must finish within four hours of the warning signal. The last boat must finish within six hours of the warning signal.

## **13.0 SCORING**

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A will apply.

13.2 Handicaps for start time will be the allotted time.

## **14.0 PENALTIES WHILE RACING**

14.1 The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply for penalties at the time of the incident. The penalty will be 10% with a minimum loss of one place. However, when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be 20% with a minimum loss of two places. A yellow flag or streamer must be attached to the backstay of the boat accepting fault promptly after the incident to indicate her desire to take a penalty. Notify the Race Committee at the finish.

14.2 Rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply.

## **15.0 POST RACE PENALTIES**

A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty as stated below:

(a) 20% or a minimum loss of two places, if taken before the protest time limit, or

(b) 30% or a minimum loss of three places, if taken after the protest time limit but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

(c) **Inform the Race Committee in writing.**

## **16.0 PROTESTS AND HEARINGS – THREE MINUTE JUSTICE**

16.1 Protest forms are in the back of the NBYC Race Event Handbook and are available at the Club office.

16.2 All protests shall be delivered, in writing, to the Race Committee within 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks.

16.3 A protest committee consisting of three individuals will be quickly formed. A member of the Race Committee is not required.

16.4 All parties must be present.

16.5 The protestor will have one minute to present the protest.

16.6 The protestee will have one minute to defend.

16.7 The Protest Committee will have one minute to reach a decision.

16.8 Three Minute Justice hearings apply to all hearings except hearings under RRS 69.

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

17.1 Any participant of an NBYC sponsored race that 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
- Cuttyhunk Harbormaster monitors VHF channel 9; phone (508) 990-7578