



2016 SQUAN TRI-SAIL OFFSHORE REGATTA

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Should there be a conflict between the sailing instructions and the Notice of Race (NOR) the sailing instructions will take precedence. This changes rule 63.7.

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- 2.1 Eligible yachts shall enter by completing registration with the Organizing Authority. Eligibility requirements for yachts and method of entry are detailed in the Notice of Race.

COMMUNICATIONS TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards at the host clubs, except that protest notices will be posted only at Manasquan River Yacht Club after racing.
- 3.2 The Race Committee will use VHF channel 6 to communicate with the classes.

CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day of racing

SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Flag signals will be flown from the flagpoles of the Bay Head Yacht Club (BHYC), Manasquan River Yacht Club (MRYC) and the Metedeconk River Yacht Club (MCYC).
- 5.2 When Pennant "AP" is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than one hour" in Race Signal "AP".

SCHEDULE OF RACES

- | 6.1 Race | Day and Date | Harbor Gun | Course Signals |
|----------|------------------------|------------|----------------|
| Multiple | Saturday, July 30 2016 | 0830 | 1055 |
- No warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.



CLASS ASSIGNMENTS and CLASS DESIGNATORS

- 7.1 The Organizing Authority will divide yachts into classes. Classes will be assigned a numeral designation.
- 7.2 A scratch sheet may be distributed at registration and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 7.3 PHRF-Spin will be Division 1 and the class flag will be Numeral Pennant "1".
PHRF –NonSpin will be division 2 and the class flag will be Numeral Pennant "2"

RACING AREA

- 8.1 The Race Committee will rendezvous with the fleet at 0955, in vicinity of Manasquan Inlet R "2M", FL 4s bell buoy.

THE COURSE

- 9.1 The courses are illustrated in Appendix 1 – Offshore Course Card.
- 9.2 Course "W" is a windward/leeward course and may have an offset mark. A numeral pennant indicating the number of LEGS to be raced will be flown beneath flag "W". The distance between the windward mark and the offset mark shall not be counted as a leg.
- 9.3 Course "O" is a triangle/windward/leeward/windward course.
- 9.4 Course "U" is a, triangle/windward/leeward course.
- 9.5 The leeward mark for courses "W", "O", and "U" will be an inflatable buoy set approximately 100 yards to windward of the starting line. If a Gate is used the leeward mark will be the downwind port gate mark for the down-wind reach of a "O" or "U" course.
- 9.6 The approximate compass bearing and distance to Mark 1 will be displayed from the Race Committee Signal Boat.

MARKS

- 10.0 Marks will be orange inflatable marks.
- 10.2 New marks as defined in SI 13-1 CHANGE OF COURSE will be a yellow inflatable mark.
- 10.3 Offset marks, if used, will be small orange buoys.
- 10.4 The starting mark will be orange and finishing mark will be yellow

THE START



11.1 Prior to the warning signal of the first race of the day, each yacht shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee Signal Boat and hail her sail number and class, which will be acknowledged by the RC

11.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

11.3 Competitors not starting an additional race, on any day, shall notify the Race Committee of such intent, as soon as practical.

11.4 A yacht starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes rule A4.1.

11.5 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

12.1 The Race Committee will endeavor to hail each premature starter over VHF channel 6. Failure to make such an announcement, the order of the sail numbers called or the timing of the call shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 62.1(a).

CHANGE OF COURSE

13.1 A change of the position of the next mark will be signaled in accordance with RRS 33, although the new mark may not yet be in position. The Race Committee will remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change of position of the next mark, a new mark is replaced; it will be replaced with an original mark.

THE FINISH

14.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the finishing mark.

14.2 For Course “W”, with an odd number of legs, and Course “O”, the finish line will be located approximately 100 yards to windward of the windward mark.

14.3 For Course “W”, with an even number of legs, and Course “U”, the finish line will be located approximately 100 yards to leeward of the leeward mark and the finishing mark will be on the opposite side of the Race Committee Signal Boat from the starting mark. See diagrams in Appendix 1 – Offshore Course Card.

TIME LIMIT

15.1 The time limit for the race(s) will be two (2) hours and will apply to each class from its start. If a yacht does not finish within the time limit she shall be scored DNF. This changes rule 35.



RETIREMENT

16.1 A yacht that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the course area, or if that is impractical, then as soon as practical, after arriving ashore.

PROTESTS

17.1 Intention to protest and the yacht being protested shall be signified to the Race Committee on the VHF Channel 6 at the finish of a race, until acknowledged by the Race Committee. This modifies rule 61.1(a).

17.2 The protest time limit is 1 hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat docks. Protest forms are available on the Protest Committee notice board.

17.3 Notices will be posted to inform competitors of protest hearings in which they are parties as soon as possible after the protest time limit. Hearings will be held as soon as possible, approximately in the order received. Location and times will be posted.

17.4 Yachts may not protest other yachts for retirement from race notification, safety equipment, and disposal of trash. The penalty for breaking these rules is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be less than disqualification. This changes rule 60.1(a).

SCORING

18.1 A yacht's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be no drop race. This changes rule A2.

18.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

18.3 Yachts that have started and fail to finish within the time limit shall be scored as DNF without a hearing,

18.4 PHRF classes will be scored using time on distance.

COMMUNICATIONS

19.1 All yacht racing in the ocean classes shall carry an operable VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF Channels 6 and 16.

19.2 A yacht shall neither make any telecommunications (including cellphone communications) while racing nor receive any telecommunications while racing that is not available to all yachts.

SAFETY



20.1 All yachts shall carry the safety equipment required by National, State, Local, applicable Class Association rules and/or regulations.

20.2 No yachts shall carry anchors affixed to their bows.

DISPOSAL OF TRASH

21.1 Yachts observed discharging trash over the side shall be either disqualified from all races sailed, or subject to other suitable disciplinary action, or both.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

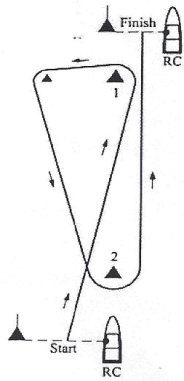
22.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, "Decision to Race". The OA, Race Committee, Squan Tri-Sail committee, BHYC, MCYC and MRYC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained with or prior to, during or after the regatta.

PRIZES

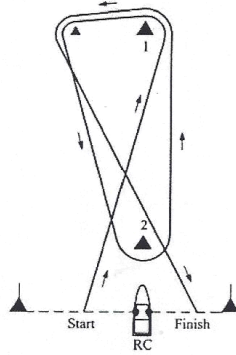
23.1 The prizes will be presented on 30 July at MRYC, including perpetual trophies at the conclusion of the days racing during the Gosling Rum Party



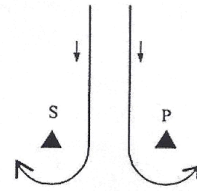
Appendix 1 – Offshore Course Card.



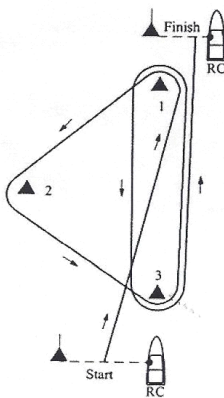
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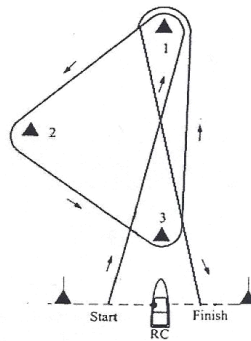
Course 'W', Even # Legs



Gate Marks



Course 'O'



Course 'U'