

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Ithaca Yacht Club - Cayuga Lake Cruising Fleet 50 Miler Day Race Saturday, September 21st, 2013

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing, except for changes as listed in the following instructions.

2 RESPONSIBILITY

It is the sole responsibility of each skipper to decide whether to start or to continue the race. Skippers are responsible for the safety of their crew. It is each boat's responsibility to ensure all safety and nighttime equipment are used and function properly. It is **HIGHLY RECOMMENED** life jackets are worn and other nighttime safety precautions are implemented from dusk 'til dawn and as needed dependent upon weather and sea conditions.

3 ENTRIES

- 3.1 Any sailboat is eligible to enter. There is no fee to enter the race.
- 3.2 Enter by registering via email @ <u>sswensen@ithaca.edu</u> or at the Ithaca Yacht Club South Pavilion before the competitors' meeting.
- 3.3 If the fleet is small, there will be only one fleet (Fleet A). If the fleet is large, it will be broken into fleets as deemed by the race committee which may include one-design, or separated by PHRF ratings. Three or more similar boats are required to form a one-design fleet.

4 COMPETITOR'S MEETING

A competitors' meeting will be held at 8:30am, at the IYC South Pavilion. The start will be at 9:00am.

5 COURSE

The course will be from the Start to Mark 51A (approximate location = N 42°48.843 W 76°43.234) **port** rounding and back to the Finish. The total distance is approximately 50 statute miles or 44 nautical miles.

6 TIME LIMIT

There is no time limit. However, if all boats from the fleet retire, then recorded times rounding G "51A" will be used to determine the winner. Therefore, all boats are required to record the GPS time once reaching G "51A." If one boat completes the course, G "51A" times will be discarded.

7 COMMUNICATION

- 7.1 The race committee may broadcast its intentions and sound signals on VHF channel 80.
- 7.2 Competitors may communicate with each other on VHF channel 80, and with anyone via cell phones or other means. They may receive outside assistance in the form of information from any source. This changes RSS 41.

8 THE START & TIMING

- 8.1. The starting line will be between Mark A (off the IYC lawn) and the Yacht Club flagpole. Boats will start in a Northerly direction.
- 8.2. There will be an audible warning signal (2 blasts from a horn) at 8:54:30 am, followed by a long signal (one blast from the horn) at 8:55 am, signaling the start of the 5 minute sequence prior to the start. All competitors shall maneuver their boats, according to the rules of racing, such that their boats cross the starting line no earlier than 9:00 am GPS time.
- 8.3 All boats are responsible for monitoring their own start and restarting if over the line early.
- 8.4. Competitors will record their finish times as accurately as possible, and will note the approximate position of other boats in the vicinity. They must give this information to the RC as soon as possible after the RC's boat has docked.
- 8.5. GPS recordings will be used to determine actual start and finish times.

9 POSTPONEMENT/COURSE CHANGE

- 9.1 If a postponement is necessary, the race committee will make an announcement on VHF, Ch. 80, at least 5 minutes prior to the start.
- 9.2. The race may be postponed, or the course may be changed or shortened, only if the RC is able to communicate will all competitors. The change does not apply until the RC notifies competitors that he has received acknowledgments from all boats.
- 9.3. Competitors are required to carry a VHF radio (set to channel 80) and a GPS device able to display time to the second.

10 RATINGS

The CLCF's time-on-time PHRF ratings will be used.

Boats without a PHRF certificate or rating are welcome. The race committee will try to find a fair rating for you.

11 PROTESTS

Protests shall be lodged verbally with a fleet officer at the finish, or at the IYC, within one hour after the fleet officer's boat is moored. Hearings will be held as soon as possible after the race.

12 SCORING

The Race Committee may organize the boats into a number of classes or fleets, depending on the number of entries

13 TROPHIES

A trophy will be awarded to the first boat to finish in the PHRF Keelboat class.

14 RETIRING

A boat retiring from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible

15 TAKING A PENALTY

Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. After getting well clear of other boats as soon after the incident as possible, a boat takes a One-Turn Penalty by promptly making one tack and one gybe.

16 NON-SPINNAKER RULE

- 18.1. Any boat may elect to compete without using a spinnaker, and receive a rating adjustment.
- 18.2. Prior to the warning signal for the start, the skipper of a boat electing to compete under the No-Spinnaker Rule must notify the Race Committee.
- 18.3. The definition of a spinnaker and the amount of rating adjustment shall be determined by the CLCF Rating Committee, as appropriate for the type of boat.

APPENDIX: G "51A"

G "51*A"* 42°48.843 N 76°43.234 W

