

**Ithaca Yacht Club**  
**Red Jacket Race 2013**  
**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

**2 ENTRIES**

Any sailboat is eligible to enter.

There is no fee to enter the race. Dinner tickets must be reserved and purchased separately.

For keelboats, 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 rating for you at the competitors meeting. For dinghies and multihulls, US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick ratings will be used. If the race committee is not able to assign a rating to a boat, she can still race in the "demonstration" class.

**3 COMPETITOR'S MEETING**

A competitors' meeting will be held at 8:30am, at the IYC South Pavilion. At that meeting, competitors will be given their individual starting times based on their boats' handicap ratings. All competitors should have a VHF radio and listen on channel 80 for any modifications to instructions provided at the competitor's meeting.

**4 THE START**

The start will be at 9:00am, unless postponed (see below). We will use a "Bermuda start" such that slower boats will begin at 9:00 am and faster boats will start at later intervals depending on their PHRF ratings.

The start line is from the Ithaca Yacht Club flagpole to IYC Mark A, and from Mark A on a bearing of 90°(M) all the way across the lake. Boats registered in the CLCF 'A' fleet, and the multihull/Portsmouth fleet, must start west of Mark A. Other boats may start anywhere on the start line.

There will be no signal at the 9:00 Am start. Boats are asked to start themselves at their appointed time according to GPS time.

**5 POSTPONEMENT / SHORTEN COURSE**

If a postponement is necessary, the race committee will make an announcement on VHF, at least 10 minutes before the start. The race committee may announce an alternative start line, and a later time for the start. The start line may be one of the following:

Taughannock: Fl R Light at marina entrance bears 240°(M)

Milliken: Pile cluster bears 070°(M)

Sheldrake: Fl R "142" light bears 260°(M)

Long Point: FL "143" pile cluster bears 090°(M)

Each start line is approximately at right angles to the course up the lake (see attached map).

With VHF announcement, the race committee may abandon the race after the start, and restart it at a later time from a more northerly start line. In the event of a restart, a regular starting sequence will be used, rather than a Bermuda start. A 5 minute start sequence will be announced by the race committee using VHF channel 80. Competitors will keep track of their finish times.

There may be some boats racing that do not have a motor. In the event of a postponement, larger boats may be requested to tow the engineless boats up to the next start line.

## **6 COURSE**

The course will be from the Start to the Finish at Red Jacket Yacht Club.

During the race, each boat shall record the time they pass Long Point (Fl "143") on a bearing of 090°(M).

## **7 FINISH LINE**

The finish shall be the line bearing 90°(M) from the Red Jacket Yacht Club dock, for a distance of 100 yards.

Each boat shall make a note of the time they finished, and identify any boats finishing just ahead or behind them.

## **8 TIME LIMIT**

Boats that finish after **5 pm** will be scored as "Did not finish".

If no boats can finish within time limit, the race committee may use Long Point as an alternative finish line. Please take note of your position and/or elapsed time at Long Point.

## **9 SCORING & TROPHIES**

The Race Committee may organize the boats into a number of classes, depending on the number of entries. If a Bermuda start is used, the "Red Jacket" will be awarded to the first boat to reach the finish line. If a race postponement/shortened course occurs, the award will be given to the boat finishing with the lowest PHRF-corrected elapsed time.

