



Columbus Day Race

Windjammers Sailing Club / Milford Yacht Club / Housatonic Boat Club

Sunday, October 9, 2011

Sailing Instructions

(Revised 9/14/11)

1. Rules

The race will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012, the 2011 Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association Rules and the current PHRF regulations as administered by PHRF-ECSA (except as any of these that are altered by these sailing instructions).

2. Entries

Eligible yachts shall enter by submitting a properly completed registration form to the organizing authority.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board outside the MYC Dockmaster's Office by 9:00 AM the day of the race.

3.2 The Race Committee will monitor VHF channel 72 throughout the race. Courtesy announcements may be made on this channel.

4. Signals Made Ashore

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Race Committee boat docked at the Milford Yacht Club. Courtesy announcements will be made on VHF channel 72.

4.2 Code flag "AP", Answering Pennant, with two horns means "the race is postponed; do not leave the harbor area." The first warning signal will be made no less than 60 minutes after "AP" is lowered.

5. Schedule of Race

Sunday, October 9, 2011. First Warning: 12:00 PM.

6. Class Flags

Class flags will be as follows:

Class	International Code Flag
Class A	A
Class B	B
Class C	C
Class D	D

7. Starting Area

In the vicinity of Charles Island, Milford.

8. Courses and Marks

8.1 Course diagrams are found on page 3 of these instructions. Marks "L" and "W" will be bright inflatable buoys. Mark "S" shall be a white PVC float, with a red and white staff displaying an orange flag.

8.2 The course will be signaled on white boards, as in the following example:

AB	Class(es)
2	Course Number
4	Number of legs
180	Bearing to Mark "W"
1.5	Distance to Mark "W"

8.3 If Course 1 on page 3 is used, Mark "L" will be positioned approximately 1.0 nm to leeward of the Start/Finish Line. If Course 2 on page 3 is used, the "S" Mark will be used as the leeward Mark.

8.4 The Race Committee may designate a different course for one or more classes by posting the class letter(s) followed by the respective course.

8.5 R"16" Charles Island Bell, R"2" Welches Point, and R"12" Pond Point shall be passed to seaward.

9. The Start

9.1 Starting signals will be made in accordance with RRS Rule 26. The starting sequence **WILL NOT** be a rolling sequence

9.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the orange flag on Mark (S).

9.3 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

10. Recalls

10.1 Individual Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS Rule 29.2. As a courtesy, the Race Committee may attempt to notify infringing boat(s) via VHF channel 72. Failure to notify will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

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10.2 When a general recall has been signaled, the start(s) for the succeeding class(es) will follow the new start for the recalled class.

11. The Finish

The finish line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and the orange flag on the "S" Mark.

12. Time Limit

The Time Limit for each class will be 5 hours for the first boat to finish. For each class, boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS Rule 35, 63.1, A4 and A5.

13. Radio Communications

13.1 Race committee broadcasts will be made over VHF channel 72.

13.2 Race committee broadcasts concerning its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of the race committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

14. Protests

14.1 A yacht shall hail the Race Committee boat at the finishing line of its intent to protest and identify the protested yacht at the first opportunity after finishing or withdrawing.

14.2 Protests shall be written on US Sailing Protest forms available from the Race Committee.

14.3 Protests must be delivered to the Race Committee at the Milford Yacht Club within 30 minutes after the Race Committee docks. Protest Time will be posted on the Notice Board at the MYC dock office.

14.4 Notice of Protest by the Race Committee or the Protest Committee will be posted on the Notice Board at the MYC dock office, to inform boats in compliance with RRS 61.1(b).

14.5 RRS 62.2 and 66 are changed to provide that requests for redress and requests to reopen a hearing must be delivered within ½ hour of the time final results have been posted.

15. Withdrawal

A yacht which retires from the race is asked to notify the Race Committee (Ch 72), or if that is not possible, the dock crew at the Milford Yacht Club.

16. Scoring

Corrected finish order will be computed using the Time on Time Method using the TCF's shown on each entrant's PHRF certificate (650/[550+PHRF]).

17. Awards

17.1 Awards will be presented at the annual Windjammers Sailing Club's Awards Dinner in December.

17.2 Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each class.

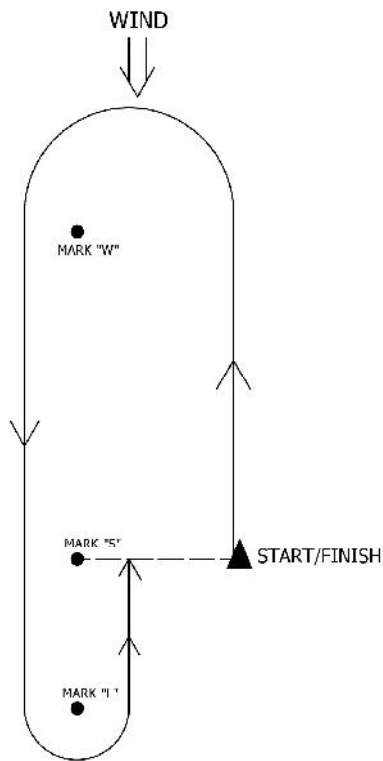
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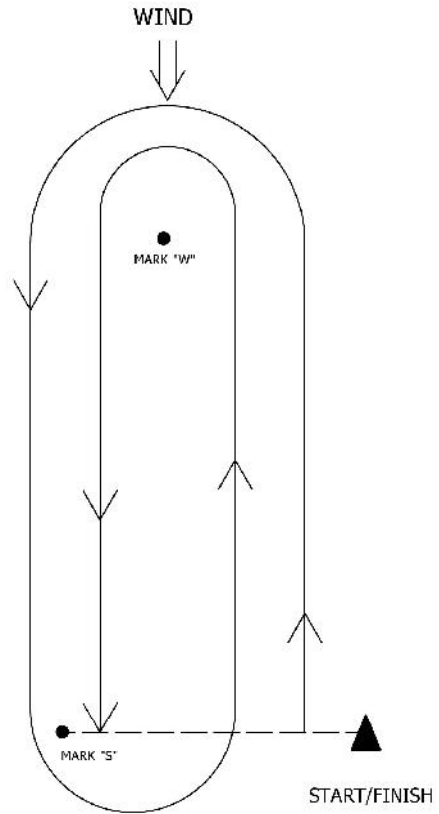
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COURSE 1

(2 Legs shown)

Boats finish upwind
(It is not necessary
to cross the start/finish
line except when starting
or finishing.)



COURSE 2

(4 Legs shown)

Boats finish downwind.