



Milford Yacht Club
2011 J/22 Fall Series
Sailing Instructions (Modified 10/23/11)
131 Trumbull Ave. Milford, CT 06460
(203) 783-0060

1 RACING RULES

- 1.1 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in "*The Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2009-2012".
- 1.2 The racing shall be conducted using J/22's owned by the MYC Sailing Foundation as equipped and maintained by Milford Yacht Club (MYC). No personal sails, spars, sheets, etc. are permitted.
- 1.3 Only individuals who have paid the entry fee and signed an entry form-waiver will be allowed to skipper.
- 1.4 Skippers must be members of MYC. Crew may be MYC members or invited guests. Crew are required to sign a waiver.
- 1.5 VHF radio's, electronic compasses and timers are permitted, but radios may not be used for the purpose of gaining a competitive advantage.
- 1.6 Skippers are required to fill out an equipment checklist prior to leaving the docks and upon return.
- 1.7 The J/22 Fleet Captain will assign boats in rotation.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board outside of the MYC Dock Office.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will posted on the official notice board before 1130 on the day of the race.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Harbor Start is scheduled for 1200 on each race day, but may be delayed at the discretion of the J/22 Fleet Captain.
- 4.2 Harbor Start will be signaled by one long sound.
- 4.3 No boat shall leave the dock prior to Harbor Start.
- 4.4 Racing will start no sooner than 30 minutes after harbor start.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Dates are six consecutive Saturdays starting October 15th, 2011.
- 5.2 The number of races run will depend on conditions on race day. One race shall constitute a series.
- 5.3 First Warning is scheduled for 1230.

6 CLASS FLAG

- 6.1 Since this is one design series using Sound-Signal Starting, no class flag will be used.



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7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area will be The Gulf outside of Milford Harbor.

8 THE COURSES

8.1 Courses will be windward-leeward. The Race Committee will announce the course by hail. This will include the number of circuits and the direction of the finish.

8.2 One mark will serve for starting and finishing and it will not be moved for finishing. This mark will be at the port end of the starting line.

Upwind Finishes: mark is on the port end of the finish line.

Downwind Finishes: mark is on the starboard end of the finish line.

8.3 ~~Once a race begins, courses will not be changed or shortened.~~

9 MARKS

9.1 The intent is to use small orange inflatables for all marks, however the RC reserves the right to substitute marks as needed and will notify competitors by hail of substitutions ~~prior to the starting sequence.~~

10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started using the Sound-Signal Starting System as described in Appendix S of the RRS.

This changes Rule 26.

10.2 The starboard end of the starting line will be a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat. The port end of the starting line, will be an inflatable mark.

10.3 The RC may invoke the 1-minute I-flag (rule 30.1, around-the-ends), Z-flag (rule 30.2), or Black Flag (rule 30.3, DSQ) rules by flag or hail.

11 TIME LIMIT

11.1 The time limit for a race is 30 minutes, or 10 minutes after the first finisher, whichever is later.

11.2 Boats failing to finish within 10 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

11.3 No boat may start more than 3 minutes after the starting signal.

12 SCORING

12.1 In order to be scored, all skippers must provide at least two dates they are available for Race Committee (RC) on their entry form. Dates for RC duty will be assigned on the day of the first race.

12.2 If there are sufficient volunteers for RC on a skipper's assigned date, then that skipper may be excused



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- from RC duty at the sole discretion of the J/22 Fleet Captain.
- 12.3 Scoring will be done for each day of racing and for the entire series.
- 12.4 Daily scoring is by boat and series scoring is by skipper. ~~If skippers rotate between races, both daily and series scores will be assigned for skippers, not boats.~~
- 12.5 For daily scoring, the Low Point System of Appendix A will be used, with 1 throw-out for each ~~3~~ 6 races sailed. Rules A2 and A4.2 are modified by changing the word "series" to "day".
- 12.6 For Series scoring, Rule A9 and the Low-Point Averaged Scoring System will be used. To qualify, a competitor must participate (race or receive participation credit) in at least 6 races.
- 12.7 Skippers will be awarded one throw-out for every 6 races in the series.
- 12.8 A competitor who does not show up and serve on RC on his/her scheduled day, without arranging for replacement, will be scored DSQ for each race sailed that day, and assigned a new RC date.
- 12.9 Competitors serving on RC will be given one "First" for the series.
- 13.1 A boat intending to protest shall hail "Protest" at the first reasonable opportunity. It is not necessary to display a red flag. This changes Rule 61.1.
- 13.2 A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty including one tack and one jibe, when she has broken a rule of Part 2 of the *RRS*. This changes Rule 44.1
- 13.3 Protests must be reported to the RC at the end of the race.
- 13.4 Competitors involved in protests must report to the RC within 20 minutes after the signal boat docks. Failure to report by the protestor will result in the protest being disallowed. Failure to report by the protestee will result in the protest being heard without him / her.
- 13.5 Written protests are not required unless requested by the protestee. This changes Rule 61.2.
- 13.6 The RC will appoint the Protest committee.

13 PROTESTS / REDRESS

14 SAFETY

- 14.1 All boats must carry a PFD for each crewmember. Wearing of a PFD is at the discretion of the sailor who accepts all risks.
- 14.2 All boats shall have a bucket for bailing and a hand pump.