

2016 PC Invite
Providence College
Rhode Island Yacht Club, Cranston, RI
October 15-16, 2016

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules - The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2013-2016, the Procedural Rules for Intercollegiate Sailing Competition 2013-2016 (PR) (except as any of these are modified by these sailing instructions), and by these Sailing Instructions.
 - a. APPENDIX T-1 PENALTIES AT THE TIME OF THE INCIDENT
The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty.'
2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
 - 2.1 Notices to competitors, including boat rotations, will be posted on the official regatta notice board located at Rhode Island Yacht Club
3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 3.1 Any changes in the sailing instructions will be announced orally by the Race Committee and/or posted before the first race in which they are to take effect on the Official Notice Board.
4. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT
 - 4.1 The standing rigging shall not be adjusted.
 - 4.2 Mainsheet may be rigged with a 3:1 or 4:1 purchase.
 - 4.3 Competitors shall report any damage or loss of equipment, however slight, to the boat repair committee immediately after arriving ashore or to the Race Committee on the water. The penalty for infringing this instruction, unless the Jury is satisfied that the competitor made a determined effort to comply, will be disqualification from the race most recently sailed.
 - 4.4 Twelve boats will be Providence College boats and the remaining boats will be from Brown University. The first rotation assigned Brown boats will be transported to Edgewood Yacht Club to rig and sail those boats.
 - 4.5 Breakdown points will not be awarded for the failure of knots, the loss of pins or rings, except that the Jury may, but is not required to, grant redress for the failure of the main halyard masthead knot.

5. FORMAT

5.1 The format will be a “2 on, 2 off” format – A will sail 2 races, followed by B sailing 2 races, according to the posted rotation. A “1 on, 1 off” format may be used for the last races of the event.

5.2 The RC reserves the right to end racing at any time for safety concerns.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday 1030 Report 1045 Competitors' Meeting

Sunday 0930 Report 1500 No Start after this time

7. ROTATION

7.1 The rotation will be posted on the Official Message Board.

7.2 Boats will rotate at Dock 1 of Rhode Island Yacht Club.

8. RACING AREA

8.1 Providence River near Rhode Island Yacht Club

9. THE COURSE

9.1 The course choice will be announced orally on the water.

9.2 Courses will be: W3 (Windward/Leeward/Windward)

W4 (Windward/Leeward/Windward/Leeward)

W5 (Windward/Leeward/Windward/Leeward/Windward)

9.3 Rounding marks will be red balls.

9.4 A windward offset and leeward gates will be used.

10. START/FINISH

10.1 Races will be started using a 3 minute dinghy start.

10.2 The start line will be between a flag at the center console of the Race Committee Boat and a nearby mark at the port end.

10.3 The finish line for downwind finishes for course W4 will be the same as the start line. For upwind finishes on course W3 and W5, the finish line will be between the weather mark and the offset mark.

10.4 If a boat is delaying the finish of a race, or the rotation, the Race Committee may end the race and score the boat in its current position.

11. RECALLS

11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with PR 18(b)(ii). The Race Committee will attempt to hail the boat(s) sail number(s) or bow number(s); however, it is the responsibility of each boat to make a proper start. Failure to hear a hail is insufficient cause for granting redress.

11.2 Multiple whistles or horns and the hail of the words "general recall" will signal a general recall.

12. CHANGES OF COURSE AFTER THE START

12.1 Any mark of the course may be moved in accordance with PR 18(c)(i).

13. ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

13.1 Penalties for breaking a rule of RRS Part 2 will be in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

13.2 All penalties shall be reported to the Race Committee Finish Boat promptly after finishing.

14. PROTESTS

14.1 Protests shall be filed in accordance with the ICSA Procedural Rules.

14.2 Protests shall be filed within 30 minutes of reaching the shore after the race in which the incident occurred. Changes PR 30.

14.3 Protest forms can be found by the RP Forms on the official race board.

15. COACHING

15.1 In accordance with PR 19. All coaching will take place from the Rhode Island Yacht Club docks and on land.

16. SAFETY

16.1 A boat requesting assistance from support boats should signal by waving hands overhead.

16.2 A capsized boat may be righted and sailed by its crew, unless, in the sole judgment of the Race Committee, safety or the progress of the regatta would be affected, in which case the crew shall accept assistance, and the boat will be scored 'DNF.'

16.3 Starts may not be delayed to accommodate capsized boats.

16.4 A boat that retires is asked to notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area, or immediately upon arriving ashore.