

2006 Sailing Instructions



New England Regatta

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Farr 40 New England Regatta presented by Rolex

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

1.2 Where there is conflict with the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions shall prevail except that neither shall change nor alter any Class Rules. This changes RRS 63.7

1.3 Yachts shall comply with the 2006-2007 ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4 and Appendix 3 of the Farr 40 Class Rules.

1.4 The maximum amount of drinkable liquid aboard each yacht shall not exceed six liters per person per day. This liquid is included in the restrictions for movable ballast in RRS 51.

1.5 Video and/or photographs taken from any support and/or coach boat shall not be used as evidence at protest hearings or request for redress hearings. This changes RRS 63.6.

2 NON-COMPETING CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

The Class Representative will be Kim Woodhouse.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Regatta Tent at the Newport Shipyard.

3.2 The Race Committee may broadcast race information on VHF 72 before and during each race. Failure of such communication to be given or received shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Flagpole at the Newport Shipyard.

5.2 Flag "AP" with two sound signals means: "Races not started are postponed." Before lowering flag "AP," with one sound signal, the approximate time of the warning signal will be posted and the warning signal will not be made less than 60 minutes after AP is lowered.

5.3 Flag "L" over numeral pennant "#" with one sound signal means: "Notice to competitors number #" has been posted."

6 RACING AREA AND RENDEZVOUS LOCATIONS

The racing area will be Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound. Rendezvous locations will be announced at 0900 hrs of each race day on VHF 72. Rendezvous Locations will also be signaled at that time by displaying the appropriate Code Flag from the Flagpole at the Newport Shipyard.

Rendezvous A: 1 nm SE (140° mag) from R "2".

Rendezvous B: In the vicinity of Halfway Rock in the East Passage of Narragansett Bay.

Rendezvous C: 0.5 nm SW (240° mag) from R "2" Bell South of Brenton Reef in Rhode Island Sound.

7 SCHEDULE

7.1 Race days are August 11, 12, and 13.

7.2 The initial signal for each day will be at 1100 hrs.

7.3 It is the intent of the Race Committee to conduct as many races as practical on each scheduled day of racing, up to a maximum of nine races for the Series.

7.4 No starting signal will be made after 1430 hrs on Sunday, August 13.

7.6 An Awards Ceremony at the Newport Shipyard will follow immediately after racing on August 13.

8 COURSES

8.1 The Race Committee Signal Boat will display the course number, the approximate magnetic bearing and distance in nautical miles from the Signal Boat to the weather mark (Mark 1). Such display will be made using placards and “white” boards.

Course 2: Start – 1 – 1a – Finish (Downwind)

Course 3: Start – 1 – 1a – Gate – Finish (Upwind)

Course 4: Start – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Finish (Downwind)

Course 5: Start – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Gate – Finish (Upwind)

Course 6: Start – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Gate – 1 – 1a – Finish (Downwind)

(a) Marks 1 and 1a shall be rounded to port. Mark 1a is an offset mark and will be positioned to port of mark 1.

(b) For courses 2, 4, and 6 the gate marks are not marks of the course for the first or finishing leg.

8.2 When there is a gate, yachts shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round either gate mark.

(a) If only one gate mark is set, yachts shall round the single mark to port.

(b) Except when there is a change of course, the gate will be positioned approximately to windward of the RC Signal Boat.

9 MARKS

9.1 “Original” Marks 1, 1a, and the gate marks will be inflatable orange buoys.

9.2 If a port-end “Pin” Boat is not in place the start mark will be a lime green tetrahedron.

9.3 The finish mark will be a yellow tetrahedron.

9.4 “Change” marks when used in accordance with RRS 33 will be yellow buoys.

10 THE START

The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and a staff displaying an orange flag on the port-end “Pin” boat. In the event that the “Pin” boat is not in used, it will be replaced by a lime green inflatable buoy.

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag displayed on an RC Boat and the nearby finish mark.

11.2 The finishing line may be shorter than the starting line.

11.3 For Courses 3 and 5, the finish mark will be Mark 1.

11.4 For Courses 2, 4, and 6, the finish line will be approximately 150 yards to leeward of the gate, unless a change is signaled for the finishing leg.

12 CHANGE OF THE POSITION OF THE NEXT MARK

When changing a leg of the course in accordance with RRS 33, the changed mark will be as described in SI 9.4. For a subsequent change, the “change” mark(s) will be replaced by an “original” mark.

13 TIME LIMIT

13.1 The time limit shall be 120 minutes.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored TLE (time limit expired; see SI 14.3, Scoring) and should proceed to the starting area if another race is scheduled.

14 SCORING

14.1 The Low Point System in RRS Appendix A will apply except that each boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. This changes RRS A2.

14.2 Four completed races will constitute a regatta.

14.3 Boats to be scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points, but no more points than the number of starters. This changes RRS A4.2 and A5.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within two boat lengths of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

16.1 Protest forms are available at the Jury Secretary Desk at the Newport Shipyard. Completed protest forms shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.

16.2 The protest time limit is ninety (90) minutes after the last boat finishes in the last race of the day.

16.3 The end of protest time will be posted on the Official Notice Board as soon as possible.

16.4 Notices will be posted within thirty minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room at the Newport Shipyard as soon as possible, approximately in the order received.

16.5 The penalty, if any, for breaking a rule (including the Class Rules and ISAF Offshore Special Regulations, Category 4) other than RRS Part 2 is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes RRS 64.1.

16.6 On the last day of the regatta a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:

(a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on a previous day;

(b) no later than thirty (30) minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes RRS 66.

17 NOTES

17.1 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have the right-of way over a vessel under power that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

17.2 The Naval Facilities at Coddington Cove have an Exclusionary Zone marked by white navigational aids. Vessels navigating in the Exclusionary Zone may face action by Coast Guard and Naval Authorities.

17.3 Only the Race Committee or Protest Committee may protest a competitor that breaches the Preamble of Part 2. This changes rule 60.1(a).

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