



2020 ILYC Aloha Cup Series

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY – IDA LEWIS YACHT CLUB

1. RULES

1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V Sections A & B will apply.

1.3 The following RRS are changed: 35 - Time Limit & Scores, 44.1- Taking a Penalty, Appendix A - Scoring

1.4 For violations of rules other than those of Part 2, the Protest Committee may impose penalties other than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1

1.5 No spinnakers shall be flown by boats during this series.

1.6 RRS 63.7 shall be replaced by, "If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (Sis), the Sailing Instructions shall apply." This changes RRS 63.7.

1.7 It is the responsibility of competitors to check the Shields Fleet 9 web site which is the official location of the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions as well as other communications to Fleet members.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

The Shields Fleet 9 web site is the official location of the Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions as well as other communications to Fleet members. Notices to competitors will also be posted on the Shields Notice Board at Ida Lewis Yacht Club.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 11:30 AM on the day on which they will take effect. Copies will be available at Ida Lewis and from the Shields Fleet 9 web site.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the Ida Lewis Yacht Club flagpole.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, the warning signal will not be made less than 45 minutes after the AP is raised. This adds to the AP description in the RRS Race Signals.

4.3 If sailing is to take place north of the Pell Newport Bridge, a flag "R" will be raised at ILYC. If the "R" flag is not raised, sailing will be south of the bridge.

5. SCHEDULE

5.1 Racing will be held on the following Saturdays.

First Day	June 27th
Second Day	July 25th
Third Day	August 23th
Contingency Day	September 12th (refer to section 5.4)

5.2 The first warning signal for June 27 and July 25 is scheduled for 3:30 PM. No warning signal will be made after 7:00 PM. The first warning signal for August 23 is scheduled for 1:00 PM. No warning signal will be made after 4:30 . The first warning signal for September 12 is scheduled for 2:30 PM. No warning signal will be made after 5:00 .

5.3 The Race Committee may run up to three races on each day of racing. Flag A displayed with no sound signal as boats are finishing any race of the day means 'No more racing today.'

5.4 In the event that racing is canceled on a previous day, or, if requested, September 12th may be used as a makeup or additional day at the sole discretion of the race committee.

6. CLASS FLAG

6.1 No class flag will be used for the race start.

7. RACING AREA

7.1 There are two locations for racing.

7.2 Sailing area A will be south of the Newport Pell Bridge in the vicinity of Rose Island.

7.3 Sailing area B will be north of the Newport Pell Bridge south of Gould Island.

7.4 The sailing area will be announced on **Channel 79A VHF** 120 minutes prior to the first warning signal.

8. THE COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed will be broadcast on **Channel 79A VHF** from the Committee's signal boat prior to the warning

8.2 Courses will be in accordance with the current Sail Newport South Bay Race Chart.

9. MARKS

9.1 The marks used for the series will be Government Marks, Special Racing Marks, or inflated racing marks.

9.2 The Government Marks and Special Racing Marks will be identified using their designation on the South Bay Race Chart.

10. AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

A security zone extends along the west shore of the Navy Base from the breakwater to the War College and is marked by a series of white buoys. Boats shall not sail to the east of the line between any two of these white buoys. Boats shall not sail inside any of the rocks known as "The Dumplings"

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26, using VHF announcements indicating Warning, Prep and start sequences. Visual signals may not necessarily be used. Failure to do display signal flags will not be grounds for redress. This changes rules 25.2 and rule 26

11.2 The starting line will be between the staff flying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the port end starting mark or the staff flying an orange flag on a pin boat anchored at the port end of the line.

11.3 A boat starting more than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4.

11.4 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line during the last minute before the starting signal, the race committee may attempt to broadcast advice that the starting line is not clear on **Channel 79A VHF**. Any boats that are over early will be hailed as such on **Channel 79A**, No flag will be used. This changes rule 29.1

11.5 Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a)

11.6 Rabbit Starts. Should the RC determine the use of a Rabbit Start, it shall be announced on CH79A VHF prior to the warning signal. The "rabbit" for the first race of the day will be the third boat to check in with the race committee. For a subsequent race on the same day, the boat that finished third in the previous race will act as the new "rabbit". The identity of the "rabbit" will be announced on Ch 79 A before each starting sequence commences.

1. Appendix U will be used as the starting sequence
2. At the starting signal. The "rabbit" will leave the starting mark to port and sail close hauled on port tack toward the first mark of the course.
3. All other competitors shall pass astern of the "rabbit" on starboard tack within 90 seconds of the starting signal
4. The "rabbit" will continue on port tack for a minimum of 90 seconds before tacking.
5. Any boat which fails to pass astern of the "rabbit" within 90 seconds will be scored DNS.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE FOR THE NEXT LEG

12.1 Changes to a course will be announced on **Ch. 79A VHF** and no repetitive sound signals will be used, this changes Rule 33 (a) and (b).

13 THE FINISH

13.1 The finish line will be between a staff flying the blue flag on a committee boat and the nearby race or Government mark or Mark Boat. The race committee will attempt to make the last leg of the course a beat to windward but failure to do so will not be grounds for a request for redress.

14. TIME LIMIT

The time limit for each boat will be 60 minutes or 15 minutes before sunset.

15. PROTESTS, REQUESTS FOR REDRESS & PENALTIES

15.1 Protest forms are available on the ILYC web site

15.2 In addition to the requirements of rule 61.1, the intent to protest shall be reported to and acknowledged by the finish line committee boat immediately after finishing – this may be done on **Ch. 79A VHF**. At the conclusion of racing, if any protests have been received, the committee boat will broadcast the sail numbers of boats involved in

any protests on **Ch 79A VHF**. Failure to do so is not grounds for seeking redress nor does it exempt any boat from protest obligations.

15.3 The protest time limit is **7 pm (local) the day following the race**. Protests shall be delivered by email to RaceCommittee@ILYC.org.

15.4 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 rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. Penalty turn(s) may not be taken within the zone of a mark.

15.5 PENALTIES TAKEN AFTER A RACE: After a race, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. The penalty shall be a Scoring Penalty, calculated as stated in rule 44.3(c). However, rules 44.1(a) and (b) apply. A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by informing the race committee in writing and identifying the race number and when and where the incident occurred. The Post-Race Penalty shall be (a) 20%, if taken before the protest time limit, or (b) 30%, if taken after the protest time limit, but before the beginning of a hearing involving the incident.

15.5 Protests will be heard via Zoom or similar video media at the time and date to be decided by Ida Lewis Yacht Club Protest Committee. A list of protests received promptly after racing and of boats which reported performing penalty turns will be placed on the Shields Notice Board at ILYC.

15.6 If one of the parties to a protest fails to show for the hearing and the protest is deemed to be valid, the Protest Committee will proceed to hear the protest.

15.7 The penalty for breaking rule 55, Trash Disposal, is at the discretion of the protest committee (DP) and may be less than disqualification.

16 SCORING

16.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System as described in 90.3 and Appendix A in the RRS and modified by these SIs.

16.2 At least two boats must start for a race to be scored. This changes RRS 90.3(a).

16.3 A minimum of three (3) completed races is required to constitute the Aloha Cup Series.

16.4 When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. There will be one (1) throw out for every six (6) races scored. This modifies RRS A2.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

17.1 A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee by calling on **VHF Ch 79A** as soon as possible.

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

17.3 Boats that infringe the second paragraph of the Preamble to Part 2 of the RRS and are witnessed by a member of the Race Committee are subject to protest by the Race Committee.

17.4 If the protest is upheld, the boat shall be disqualified from the race and scored DNE.

18. COMMUNICATION

18.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

18.2 Competitors shall monitor Ch 79A VHF while racing for Race Committee communications.

18.3 Competitors shall only receive Race Committee VHF communications on the 79A VHF, the Fleet VHF Channel.

18.4 All radio broadcasts are available as a courtesy only. Failure to receive or properly interpret these communications shall not be grounds for redress under RRS 62

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.

19.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4.

19.2 Decision to race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the races.

20. GOVERNMENT MARKS.

All government aids to navigation must be observed, except for marks “6”, “9”, “11”, “13”, “20”, “22”, 23, “Q”, “X” and “V”, which do not need to be honored. unless that mark / aid is used as a turning mark on that leg of the course.

21. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

Boats shall not sail between Rose Island and the Newport Bridge. Except for course “T4”, when sailing under the Newport Pell Bridge, boats shall sail through one of the three center spans of the bridge.

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