



## **2020 ILYC Shields Wednesday Night Series – Notice of Race** **Draft 13 – June 19, 2020**

### **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY – IDA LEWIS YACHT CLUB IN ASSOCIATION WITH SHIELDS FLEET 9**

#### **1. RULES.**

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 U.S. Sailing Appendices T & V will apply
- 1.3 Rule changes – Rule 44.1 – see NoR #10.1, Appendix A Scoring changes – see NoR #11.
- 1.4 The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of any non-Part 2 rule. This changes rule 64.1

#### **2. ADVERTISING.**

Advertising on boats is not permitted beyond that allowed in ISAF Regulation 20.

#### **3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY.**

- 3.1 Races are open to Shields boats whose skippers are members of Fleet 9 and the Shields Class National Association.
- 3.2 Boats shall carry liability insurance in the amount of at least \$300,000 as a condition of entry. A copy of the insurance certificate shall be submitted with the entry form.
- 3.3 Boats that have not completed registration with Fleet 9 will not be scored and shall not compete.
- 3.4 All participating sailors must submit a signed ILYC Special Liability Form

#### **4. ENTRY FEE:** Total \$ **370.00** payable to Shields Fleet 9 24hrs prior to competing

The \$370 entry fee includes National Class dues for one registered skipper. Additional skippers may be added for National Class membership for a fee of \$15 per skipper.

#### **5. SCHEDULE.**

<u>Summer Series</u>	June 24 – July 8	Warning Signal 6.00 PM Rendezvous – South of the bridge
	July 15 -- Aug 5	Warning Signal 6.00 PM Rendezvous – North of the bridge
<u>Fall Series</u>	Aug 12 – Aug 26	Warning signal 5.35 PM Rendezvous – North of the bridge
	Sept 2 - Oct 7	Warning signal 5.00 PM_Rendezvous – South of the bridge

*NOTE Racing on Sept 23rd is not part of the Fall Series (Shields Nationals 24-27 Oxford MD)*

- 5.1 The Summer and Fall series will consist of up to 10 races each.
- 5.2 In the event that sailing conditions in the designated area are unsuitable, the race committee may announce an alternate starting location on Ch79A, and proceed to the new starting location.

## **6 ‘SECOND’ RACE.**

- 6.1 The Race Committee may, if conditions permit, start a second race on any Wednesday in the series. This will be indicated at the end of the first race via an announcement on Ch 79A.
- 6.2 Should a race be cancelled, the first race to be sailed on the following Wednesday will be the postponed race.
- 6.3 See SI 5.1 re potential for sailing up to 10 races in each series

**7. MEASUREMENT CERTIFICATE** - The owner or skipper of each boat shall sign the statement on the entry form affirming that the boat conforms to the Shields Class Rules.

**8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** –SIs will be available from the Fleet Captain and on the Fleet 9 web site.

**9. COURSES** – Courses will be in accordance with the 2018-2020 South Bay chart published by SAIL NEWPORT.

## **10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that no turn may be taken within the *zone* of a mark.
- 10.2 Scoring penalties are as described in NoR 11
- 10.3 Protests will be submitted by email. Protests will be heard on the schedule determined by the ILYC Protest Committee using platforms such as Zoom or Google Meets

## **11. SCORING.**

- 11.1 Scoring shall be in accordance with Appendix A – Low Point System except that at least two boats must start in order for a race to be scored; a boat that does not come to the starting line shall be scored THREE points more than the number of boats that started in that race.
- 11.2 If a series completes 5 or more races, 1 discard will be allowed for that series. This changes rule A2.1
- 11.3 A minimum of 3 completed races is required to constitute a series.
- 11.4 Scoring penalties - Appendices **T and V** will apply (RRS page 182 & 185).

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS.**

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, boats shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 12.2 The Race Committee will endeavor to broadcast an announcement on **Ch79A** VHF approximately one hour prior to the Warning Signal regarding the status of racing.
- 12.3 The Race Committee may broadcast information regarding the status of the starting line on **Ch79A VHF**. Failure to make any of the above Race Committee announcements is not grounds for seeking redress.
- 12.4 Due to current COVID restrictions, the RC shall communicate course and starting signal information via **CH79A VHF**, and shall be considered a replacement for traditional signal flags. This changes rules 25.2 and 26

**13. PRIZES.** For each series, prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places. There will also be prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> for combined scores of the completed series, and the overall winner for the combined series will be winner of the John Robertson Memorial Perpetual Trophy. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the RC / Fleet 9.

#### **14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.**

**All sailors (skipper and crew) must sign the ILYC special liability form prior to competing.**

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in these races entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to rule 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, volunteers, or any other affiliated organization or official, will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in these races to the fullest extent permitted by law.

**15. NEWPORT AREA CAUTION.** Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have right of way over any vessel that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver. All boaters are reminded to keep a clear look-out at all times, especially in the vicinity of the Newport Pell Bridge, which may have a large number of racing boats, especially at weekends and during major events. Boats should monitor Channel 16/13 for commercial traffic. Competitors are also reminded of the restriction zone on the west side of the Navy Base and War College.

**16.** By participating in these races, competitors automatically grant to the Ida Lewis Yacht Club and Shields Fleet 9 (the Organizing Authorities) and any sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of the competition without compensation.