



2011 *Ida Lewis Yacht Club* Aloha Cup Series

Includes Cassedy Memorial Trophy, Kendall Cup, & part of Toland Memorial Trophy Series

SHIELDS CLASS SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(as of 2011-06-01)

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 Rule Part 2, Preamble – When Boats Meet, 35 – Time Limit, 44.1 & 44.2 – Two Turns Penalty, 61.3 – Intent to Protest, 62.1(a) – Redress, & Appendix A – Scoring have been changed.
- 1.3 **Spinnaker Sails shall not be used in this series.**

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will 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 10:00 am of the day on which they will take effect. Copies will be available at Ida Lewis YC and from the Committee Boat. If an amendment is made within 24 hours of a race it will effect, those changes will also be broadcast approximately one hour prior to the scheduled Warning Signal on race day over VHF Ch. 72 and again when the course is displayed for the initial race.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the Ida Lewis YC Flagpole and at Coasters Harbor Navy Yacht Club.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 45 minutes” in Race Signals AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 2011 ILYC ALOHA CUP Series racing dates ~

5.1 (a) ***Spring Alohas*** ~ also the SEAN CASSIDY MEMORIAL TROPHY Series

Friday June 3 (2) Non-Spinnaker Races Warning Signal 6:00 p.m.

Saturday June 18 (3) Non-Spinnaker Races Warning Signal 1:00 p.m.

5.1 (b) ***Summer Aloha*** ~ ***part of*** TOLAND MEMORIAL TROPHY Series*

**2011 Toland includes scores from G. Winslow Memorial Regatta (a CHNYC event)*

Friday July 15 (2) Non-Spinnaker Races Warning Signal 6:00 p.m.

5.1 (c) ***Fall Alohas*** ~ also the KENDALL CUP Series

Saturday August 13 (3) Non-Spinnaker Races Warning Signal 1:00 p.m.

Saturday August 27 (3) Non-Spinnaker Races Warning Signal 1:00 p.m.

- 5.2 ***Starting rendezvous area*** is in vicinity of Rose Island. The Race Committee may broadcast a *change of Rendezvous vicinity and /or status of racing update on VHF Ch. 72 approximately*

one hour prior to the scheduled Warning Signal. Failure to make any of the above race committee announcements or time it accurately will not be grounds for seeking redress.

5.3 Number of Races –

5.3 (a) Friday Race events - No more than (2) races will be sailed.

5.3 (b) Saturday Race events- No more than (3) races will be sailed.

5.3 (c) Additional racing dates may be added as an attempt to complete sufficient races to constitute a series provided such changes are made according to S.I. 3.

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Shields insignia on a white flag.

7 RACING AREAS

See S.I. 5.2 for Rendezvous location.

8 COURSES

8.1 The course to be sailed will be designated on a board on the Committee Boat.

8.2 Fixed Courses will be chosen from the 2009-2012 South Bay Race Chart Courses indicated on the back of the 2009-2012 South Bay Race Chart.

8.3 Special Courses: indicated by display of Flag “O” with the course board.

9 MARKS

9.1 Government Marks

9.1 (a) All government aids to navigation must be observed, except for marks “6”, “9”, “10”, “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.

9.2 Fixed Marks will be chosen from the 2009-2012 South Bay Buoy List on the 2009-2012 South Bay Race Chart.

9.2 (a) Note: Mark “13” listed as a “Green Can” on the South Bay Race Chart has been relocated and replaced by new *East Passage Junction Lighted Bell Buoy “EP”* with green and red bands, Fl (2+1) G 6s that is approximately 120 yards Northeast of the shown S.B. Chart Buoy “13” position.

9.2 (b) Special Race Marks (SRM) 1, 3, 4, 8, and 15 will be yellow plastic barrels.

9.3 Gate Marks

9.3 (a) Intent to use “Gates” is indicated by display of Flag “G” with the course board.

9.3 (b) The Race Committee may set a leeward gate that replaces the leeward mark indicated on the South Bay Race Chart.

9.3 (c) Failure of the Race Committee to set or maintain the gate marks shall not be grounds for redress.

9.3 (d) Leeward Gate Marks will be inflated race marks but in the event the gate is not maintained, boats will leave the remaining single mark or nearby Government mark to port.

10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

10.1 A security zone marked by a series of white buoys extends along the west shore of the Navy Base from the breakwater to the War College. Boats shall not sail to the east of the line between any two of these white buoys.

10.2 Boats shall not sail inside any of the rocks known as “The Dumplings.”

10.3 Boats shall not sail between Rose Island and the Newport Bridge.

- 10.4 Except for course “T4,” when sailing under the Newport Bridge, boats shall sail through one of the three center spans of the bridge.

11 THE START

- 11.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal given 5 minutes before the starting signal.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the staff flying an orange flag on the Committee Boat and the port end starting mark.
- 11.3 A boat starting more than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A-4.
- 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 her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on VHF Ch. 72. 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).
- 11.5 A mid line buoy may be deployed but is not a mark of the course.

12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 12.1 Add to rule 33 - the race committee will attempt to make a backup announcement on VHF Ch. 72.

13 THE FINISH

- 13.1 Unless the course is shortened, the finish line will be between a staff flying the blue flag on a committee boat and the nearby race or Government mark.
- 13.2 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 PENALTY SYSTEM

After starting, a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 while racing may take a penalty by taking one full turn including one tack and one gybe that, in all other respects, complies with rules 44.1 & 44.2 however, if a boat breaks a rule of Part 2 from the Preparatory signal until the boat is completely on the course side of the starting line after starting, or when she is within the three length zone of any rounding mark, her penalty shall then be a Two-Turns penalty in compliance with rule 44.2 . This modifies rules 44.1 & 44.2.

15 TIME LIMIT

- 15.1 The time limit for each boat will be 90 minutes or 15 minutes before sunset, whichever is earlier. This alters rule 35.
- 15.2 In order for a race to be scored, one third of the starters shall have finished within the time limit as defined in SI 15.1.
- 15.3 Boats failing to finish within the time limit shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and receive points equal to one-half the number of yachts not finishing (fractions rounded to the next highest number) plus the number of yachts that finished. This changes rules 35, A-3, -4, -5, & -11.

16 PROTESTS & REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1 Protest forms are available at the ILYC Dock Office.
- 16.2 In addition to the requirements of rule 61.1, the intent to protest shall be reported to, and then acknowledged by the finish line committee boat immediately after finishing – this may be done on VHF Ch. 72.

- 16.3** At the conclusion of racing, if notices of intent to protest have been received by the race committee under S.I 16.2 or protest is intended by the race committee, the sail numbers of boats involved will be broadcast on VHF Ch. 72 by the race committee and fulfills rule 61.1(b). Failure to do so is not grounds for seeking redress nor does it exempt any boat from its protest obligations.
- 16.4** The time limit for submitting a protest is 7:00 p.m. LOCAL TIME the day following the race. Protests may also be submitted by fax to (401) 846-8234.
- 16.5** A list of protests received and of boats which reported performing penalty turns will be posted on the Shields Notice Board at ILYC.
- 16.6** **Within 48 hours of submitting a protest, either party will have the opportunity of accepting a 40% penalty in lieu of attending the protest hearing. Such action must be reported to (401) 846-3388 or by e-mail to drshoe@verizon.net.**
- 16.7** **Protests will be heard at Ida Lewis Yacht Club starting immediately after Wednesday Night racing the following week.**
- 16.7 (a)** If one of the parties to a protest fails to show for the hearing and the protest is deemed valid, the Protest Committee will proceed to hear the protest.
- 16.8** Requests to be scored “RAF” shall be submitted to the Race Committee no later than 7:00 p.m. LOCAL TIME the day following the race in order to be applied unless the Protest Committee has already reached a decision. “RAF” requests received after that time will be honored but shall not be discarded from that series score.
- 16.8 (a)** Unless submitted to the Race Committee promptly after racing, requests to be scored “RAF” may be faxed to ILYC at (401) 846-8234.
- 16.8 (b)** Redress points – will be based on the total of all races sailed in a series and before throw-outs are considered. See rule A-10(a).
- 17 SCORING**
Appendix A – Low point system will be used except that:
- 17.1** At least two boats must start in order for a race to be scored.
- 17.2** A boat that does not come to the starting line shall be scored DNC and receive THREE (3) points more than the number of boats that started in that race.
- 17.3** See S.I. 15.2 & 15.3 which also apply
- 17.4** **ILYC Aloha Cup** – (overall series, includes all Aloha Races)
- 17.4 (a)** Seven Aloha races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 17.4 (b)** If eleven Aloha races are completed in the series, then each boat may discard her worst score; if twelve races, her worst 2 scores; if thirteen races, her worst 3 scores.
- 17.5** **Sean Cassidy Memorial Trophy** – Spring Weekend Series
- 17.5 (a)** Two races must be completed to constitute a Spring Weekend Series.
- 17.5 (b)** If five races are completed in the series, then each boat may discard her worst score.
- 17.6** **Toland Memorial Trophy** – Summer Weekend Series (includes a CHNYC event, George Winslow Memorial scores, that is not part of ILYC Aloha Series).
- 17.6 (a)** Two races must be completed to constitute a Summer Weekend Series.
- 17.6 (b)** If five races are completed in the series, then each boat may discard her worst score.
- 17.7** **Kendall Cup** – Fall Weekend Series
- 17.7 (a)** Three races must be completed to constitute a Fall Weekend Series.
- 17.7 (b)** If six races are completed in the series, then each boat may discard her worst score.

17.8 SI-14.2, 14.3, & 14.4 scoring arrangements alter rule A-2.

18 SAFETY REGULATIONS

18.1 **A boat that retires shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.**

18.2 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 that may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

18.2 (a) Boats that infringe the Preamble to rule Part 2 and are witnessed by or reported to the Race Committee are subject to protest by the Race Committee.

18.2 (b) If the protest is upheld, the boat shall be disqualified from the race and scored DNE. In addition, she shall not sail in the next two scheduled races of the Wednesday Series.

19 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

19.1 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.

19.2 **Competitors shall monitor VHF Ch. 72 while racing for Race Committee communications.**

20 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places of the three weekend series. There will also be prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in the overall Aloha Series.

21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

21.1 Competitors participate in the races entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race.

21.2 **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.**

22 INSURANCE

EACH PARTICIPATING BOAT SHALL BE INSURED WITH VALID THIRD-PARTY LIABILITY INSURANCE WITH A MINIMUM COVER OF \$300,000 PER EVENT OR THE EQUIVALENT.

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