

Manchester Yacht Club
Manchester, MA

Rhodes 19 Fleet 20
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2022 Rhodes 19 East Coast Championship

June 10-12, 2022

Organizing Authority: Manchester Fleet 20

Hosted by Manchester Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)* and the Rhodes 19 Class Rules as defined in *THE RULEBOOK for the Rhodes 19 Class Association* (12/20/13) and its amendments.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

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

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the Regatta Notice Board, located on the deck of the Manchester Yacht Club outside of the Club Office.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

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

4.2 When Code Flag "AP", Answering Pennant, is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the race signal AP.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Dates of racing:

Thursday, June 9

1700 – 1900 Check-in

Friday, June 10

0800 – 1000 Check-in

1000 Skippers Meeting, MYC

No earlier than 1200 Warning signal for the first race. Up to 4 Races

Saturday, June 11

No Earlier Than 1100 Warning signal for the first race. Up to 4 Races

Sunday, June 12

No Earlier Than 1100 Warning signal for the first race. Up to 2 Races

No Warning signal after 1400

1600 Awards and refreshment at MYC

6 CLASS FLAG

The class flag will be the Rhodes 19 class flag.

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be located near Gales Ledge Nun #6, to the east of Bakers Island.

8 **THE COURSES**

The course patterns will be as per Addendum A.

9 **MARKS**

9.1 The starting line mark will be a green tetrahedron.

9.2 The rounding marks will be orange tetrahedrons.

9.3 **Offset Mark:** an offset mark (orange tetrahedron) will be used in conjunction with the windward mark. Boats shall pass the windward mark to port and then pass the offset mark to port. The offset mark must be honored at each rounding of the windward mark.

9.4 **Leeward Gates:** If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark is to be rounded to port.

9.5 The finish line mark will be a green tetrahedron.

10 **THE START**

10.1 Before the warning signal of her first race each day, each boat shall sail past the Race Committee signal boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee repeating the boat's sail number. A boat failing to do so shall receive a 20% scoring penalty for the first race in which it competes on that day, as described in Rule 44.3(c). The changes Rules A4 and A5.

10.2 Races will be started in accordance with rule 26.

10.3 For the second and subsequent race(s) of the day, or after a postponement, a short series of signals may be sounded before the warning signal is made.

10.4 Wind limits – Races shall not be started if the windspeed is below 4MPH or over 20 MPH as determined by the Principal Race Officer. This decision will not be considered “an improper action or omission of the race committee” and will not be grounds for redress.

10.5 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and a green tetrahedron at the port end of the starting line.

10.6 A boat starting more than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS). This changes Rule A4.

10.7 Rule 62.1(a) will be changed such that the lack of a hail from the race committee for an individual recall, or timeliness of the hail, or the failure of the boat to hear the hail, or a boat's position in the sequence of hailed numbers, shall not constitute grounds for redress.

11 **CHANGING THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

If a course needs to be changed, marks may be moved to maintain course configuration provided no boats are sailing on the leg of the course bounded by the mark(s) to be moved. No signal will be required. This change RRS 33.

12 **THE FINISH**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the finish line mark boat and a green tetrahedron finishing mark at the port end of the line.

13 **TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

13.1 If the first boat does not round Mark 1 within 30 minutes, or the first boat to finish does not finish within 120 minutes, the race shall be abandoned.

13.2 Boats still racing more than 30 minutes after the first boat finishes will be scored “Time Limit Expired” (TLE) and will be scored two more points than the last boat finishing. This modifies RRS 35.

- 14 **PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**
14.1 The protest time limit is sixty (60) minutes after the Race Committee boat has docked. This time will be posted on the official notice board.
14.2 Protest forms are available at Manchester Yacht Club.
14.3 Protest hearings will be conducted at Manchester Yacht Club. The Protest Desk and Protest Notice Board will be located in the Club Room of the Manchester Yacht Club.
14.4 Protest notices will be posted within 15 minutes of the protest Time Limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as witnesses. This posting shall constitute the notification required by RRS 63.2 and RRS 61.1(b).
- 15 **SCORING**
The Low Point Scoring system, RRS Appendix A4, will apply. Appendix A2 is changed so that each boat's series score will be a total score for the series, excluding her worst score if four (4) or more races have been completed. A maximum of ten (10) races are scheduled. A minimum of three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 16 **SAFETY REGULATIONS**
A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible. Failure to do so may result in a penalty.
- 17 **REPLACEMENT OF CREW**
Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without a prior written request being approved by the Race Committee.
- 18 **EQUIPMENT CHECKS AND MEASUREMENT**
All boats shall conform to the Class By-Laws and the Class Rules as prescribed by Rhodes 19 Class By-Law Article XV, Section B 15.0. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and Sailing Instructions.
- 19 **OFFICIAL VESSELS**
Support vessels will display a yellow Race Committee flag.
The Signal Vessel will display a blue Race Committee flag.
The Judges will display a blue and white Judge flag.
- 20 **HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
Competing boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to terms of prior written permission from the Protest Committee. In the event of severe weather this rule may be waived at any time by a notice posted on the official notice board, signed by the Principal Race Officer.
- 21 **BERTHING AND TRAILER STORAGE**
Trailers belonging to visiting boats must be stored in the Manchester Yacht Club field. Mooring of boats, launching and haul-out will be under the control of a local boat yard and the regatta organizing committee. All competitors are required to follow their instructions.
- 22 **PRIZES**
Prizes will be awarded for the first three places in the regatta. In addition, prizes will be awarded each day for first, second and third place.

ADDENDUM A Course Configurations

