

PHRF New England Championships  
July 15-16 2017  
Handy Boat  
215 Foreside Road, Falmouth, Maine 04105

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Boats in the PHRF divisions shall comply with the current ISAF Offshore Special Regulations for Category 4.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Handy Boat Service Office.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole at the Handy Boat dock house.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 1 hour in the race signal AP.'
- 4.3 When flag Y is displayed ashore, rule 40 applies at all times while afloat. This changes the Part 4 preamble.

### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

#### 5.1 Dates of racing:

All Classes: Saturday, July 15, 2017 and Sunday, July 16, 2017.

#### 5.2 Number of races:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Races per day</i>
All Spinnaker Classes	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>
All non-Spinnaker Classes	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

- 5.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100.
- 5.4 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 5.5 On the last day of the regatta no warning signal will be made after 1500.
- 5.6 Flag R displayed with no sound while boats are finishing means "racing will continue today."

## 6 CLASS FLAGS

Class flags will be:

<i>Class</i>	<i>Flag</i>
Spinnaker 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Spinnaker 2	Numeral Pennant 2
Spinnaker 3	Numeral Pennant 3
Spinnaker 4	Numeral Pennant 4
Spinnaker 5	Numeral Pennant 5
Non-Spinnaker	Numeral Pennant 6

## 7 RACING AREAS

Addendum A shows the location of racing areas.

## 8 THE COURSES

8.1 The course for Spinnaker Classes is illustrated in Addendum B.

8.2 Courses for Non-Spinnaker classes will be designated using the Mark List in Addendum A.

8.3 For Windward-Leeward Courses, no later than the warning signal, the race committee signal boat will display number of legs to be sailed, and the approximate compass bearing and distance of the first leg. All marks will be left to port.

8.4 For Government Mark or Island courses, no later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the mark letter designations in the order to be rounded. A letter designation followed by a Plus sign (+) means leave the mark to Starboard. A letter designation only means leave the mark to Port.

## 9 MARKS

9.1 Marks are described in Addendums A and B.

9.2 The starting mark will be a green tetrahedron. The finishing mark will be an orange tetrahedron.

9.3 A race committee boat signalling a change of a leg of the course is a mark as provided in instruction 11.2.

## 10 THE START

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

10.5 If any part of a boat's hull, crew or equipment is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the race committee will attempt to broadcast her sail number on **VHF channel 78**. 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 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

**11.2** Except at a gate, boats shall pass between the race committee boat signalling the change of the next leg and the nearby mark, leaving the mark to port and the race committee boat to starboard. This changes rule 28.

## **12 THE FINISH**

**12.1** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end finishing mark

**12.2** If the race committee is absent when a boat finishes, she should report her finishing time, and her position in relation to nearby boats, to the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **13 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

**13.1** Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

**14.1** Protest forms are available at the race office, located at the Handy Boat Service Office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

**14.2** For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signal vessel docks, whichever is later.

**14.3** Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room, located in the Handy Boat Service Conference Room, beginning at the time posted.

**14.4** Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under rule 61.1(b).

**14.5** Breaches of instructions 10.3, 16, 19, 20 and 21 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.

**14.6** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered

- (a) within the protest time limit if the requesting party was informed of the decision on the previous day;
- (b) no later than 30 minutes after the requesting party was informed of the decision on that day.

This changes rule 66.

**14.7** On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

## **15 SCORING**

**15.1\*** The scoring system is as follows: Appendix A.

**15.2\*** 1 race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

**15.3** (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 16.1** Check-In: Boats shall pass close by the signal vessel on starboard tack before their warning signal, and hail their sail number and number aboard, and be acknowledged by the race committee.
- 16.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.1** Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the race committee.
- 17.2** Substitution of damaged or lost equipment will not be allowed unless authorized by the race committee. Requests for substitution shall be made to the committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

## **18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## **19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

## **20 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

## **21 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee will monitor and broadcast on **VHF channel 78**. 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 telephones.

## **22 PRIZES**

The awards ceremony will take place at Handy Boat following the last race. Awards will be given to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finisher in each class. In the event there are only three boats in a class, only 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> will be awarded. In addition, the Merle E. Hallett award will be presented to the Boat of the Regatta.

## **23 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

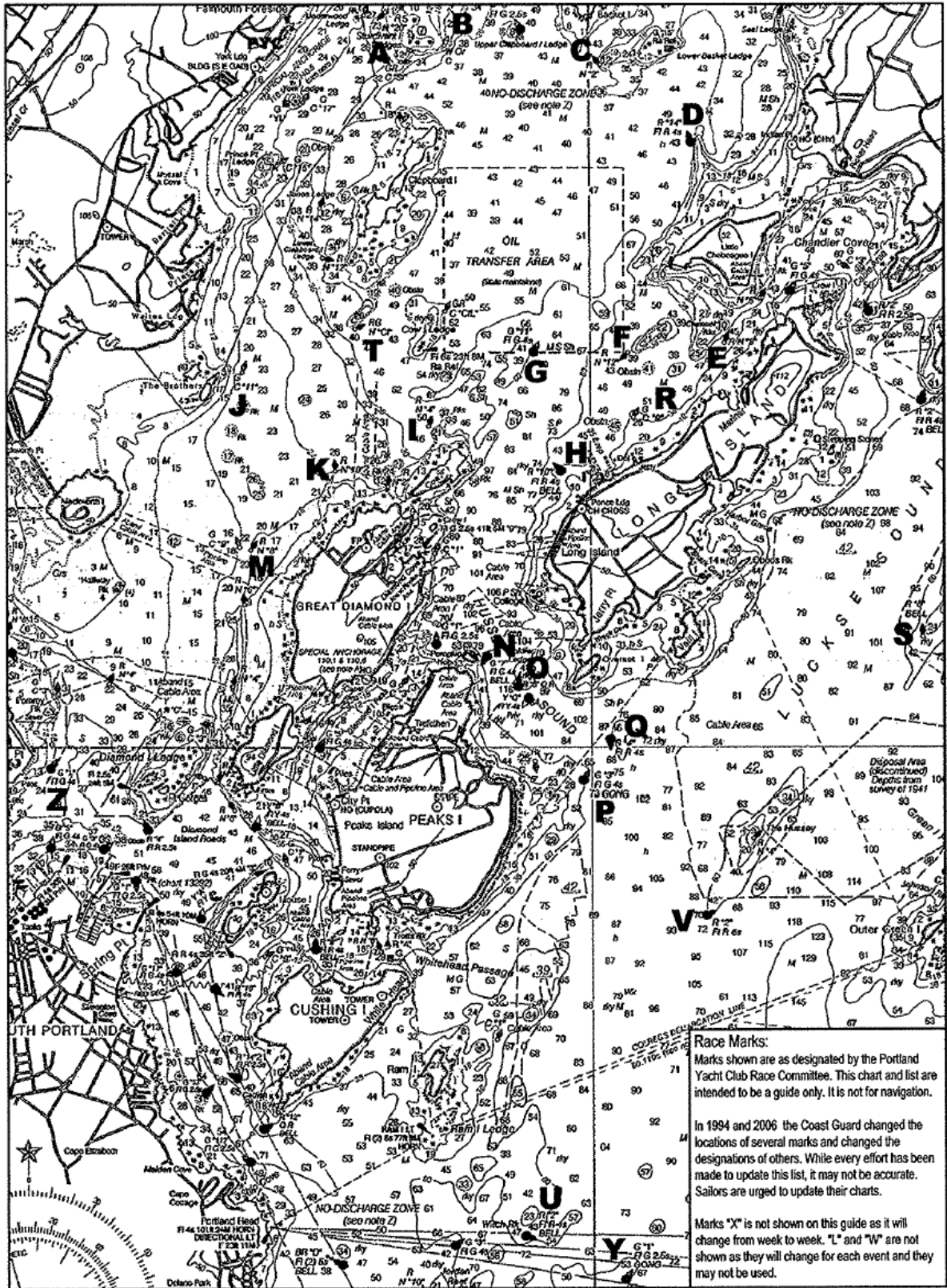
Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **24 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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# RACE MARK LIST



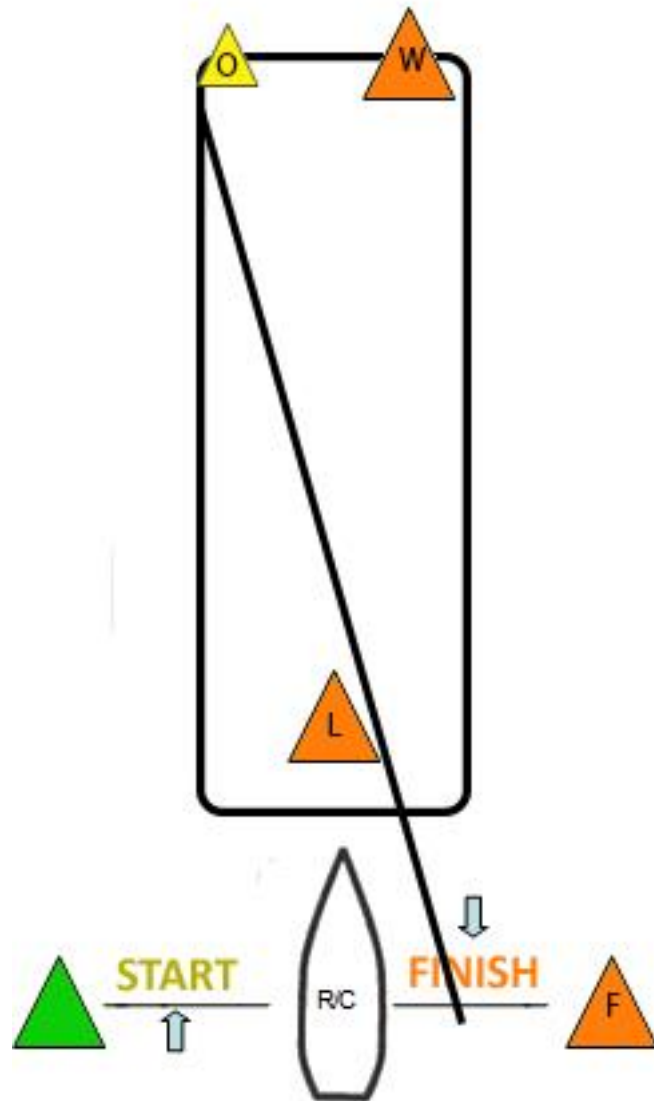
**Race Marks:**  
 Marks shown are as designated by the Portland Yacht Club Race Committee. This chart and list are intended to be a guide only. It is not for navigation.

In 1994 and 2006 the Coast Guard changed the locations of several marks and changed the designations of others. While every effort has been made to update this list, it may not be accurate. Sailors are urged to update their charts.

Marks "X" is not shown on this guide as it will change from week to week. "L" and "W" are not shown as they will change for each event and they may not be used.

A GR*SI*	Sturdivant ledges	I N*4"	N of Cow Island	R C*9"	N of Long Island
B White "Danger"	E of Sturdivant Island Ledges	J C*11"	E of The Brothers	S R*6" BELL	SW of Cliff Island
C N*2"	S of Basket Island	K N*10"	NW of Great Diamond Island	T RG*CI"	W of Cow Island Ledge
D R*14" F1 R4s	W of Indian Point, Chebeague Island	L	Leeward Inflatable Drop Mark	U R*2" F1 R 4s	Witch Rock
E N*8"	S of Channel Rocks	M N*8"	W of Great Diamond Island	V R*2" F1 R 6s	SW of The Hussey
F N*12"	W of Channel Rocks	N G*7" FIG 4s	E of Pumpkin Nob	W	Windward Inflatable Drop Mark
G G*11" FIG 4s	E of Cow Island Ledge	O R*6" QR	Soldier Ledge, Hussey Sound	X	Start/Finish Inflatable Drop Mark
H R*10" F1 R 4s	NW of Ponce Landing, Long Island	P G*3" FIG 4s	SE end of Hussey Sound	Y G*1" FIG 2.5s	E of Witch Rock
		Q R*4" F1 R 4s	SE end of Hussey Sound	Z G*1" FIG 4s	E of Fish Point

## ADDENDUM B



**Course 2 = W – O (if present) – F**

**Course 3 = W – O (if present) – L – W**

**Course 4 = W – O (if present) – L – W - O (if present) – F**

**Course 5 = W – O (if present) – L – W – O (if present) – L – W**

**Course 6 = W – O (if present) – L – W – O (if present) – L – W - O (if present) - F**