



**SOUTHPORT YACHT CLUB  
BOOTHBAY HARBOR YACHT CLUB  
2017 'Round Southport Race  
Sunday, July 2, 2017**



**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B – [Special Regulations for inshore races](#) shall apply
- 1.3 All boats in all classes shall carry a functioning VHF radio.
- 1.4 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.

**2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Notices will be placed online on the race [website](#) (click the “more information” link in the upper right).

**3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day of the race, except that any change to the schedule of the races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

**4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1 Signals will not be made ashore for this race.

**5 SCHEDULE**

- 5.1 There will be no skippers' meeting.
- 5.2 There will be one race.
- 5.3 The time of the first warning is scheduled for 1100. The first start will be at 1105.
- 5.4 The starting sequence will be posted online and will be available at the committee boat.
- 5.5 The R/C will announce the starting time for the next yacht(s) in the sequence on VHF Channel 72. Failure of a yacht to hear the announcement will not be grounds for protest.
- 5.6 Festivities and awards will be held at BHYC immediately following the race.

**6 COURSE AND TIDES**

- 6.1 The race will be around Southport Island from West to East with a length of 9.55nm. Yachts will rendezvous in Ebenecook Harbor in the area of the “Ink Bottle.”
- 6.2 The course will not be shortened or changed. The race may be abandoned for reasons of safety, inclement weather, and rough seas. Code flag "N" with 3 sounds will indicate that racing has been abandoned.
- 6.3 TIDE INFORMATION FOR BOOTHBAY HARBOR

Sunday, July 2, 2017:

High: 0640

Low: 1248

**7 MARKS OF THE COURSE**

- 7.1 Yachts will keep **Cat Ledges R “4CL” Gong** and **Cuckolds G Bell “1C”** to PORT.

**8 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1 Yachts shall not sail on the east side of the Cat Ledges or between Southport and Lower Mark Island.

**9 STARTING LINE**

- 9.1 The starting line will be in Ebenecook Harbor on a line due west of the “Ink Bottle” beacon on Cameron Point and the middle of Boston Island and shall be between the orange flag on the signal boat and a nearby drop mark. A limiting mark may be streamed from the signal boat. Boats striking this limiting mark or sailing between the mark and the signal boat will be considered in violation of RRS 31
- 9.2 Boats not within five minutes of their scheduled start shall avoid the starting area.



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- 9.3 For postponements before any starting signal, the duration of the postponement will be added to each start time in the starting sequence. Postponements will be in increments of 10 minutes to simplify determining start times.
- 10 FINISH LINE**
- 10.1 The finish line shall be between Tumbler buoy (R"8" FL R 4s) and McKown Point and shall be between an orange flag on the signal boat and a nearby drop mark.
- 11 PENALTY SYSTEM**
- 11.1 The Two-Turns penalty as defined in RRS 44.2 will apply to infringements of Part II, Right of Way Rules.
- 12 TIME LIMIT**
- 12.1 If no boats finish the race by 1600 the race shall be abandoned. Any boat not yet finished 90 minutes after the first boat in her class has finished shall be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes rules 35, A4 and A5.
- 13 PROTESTS**
- 13.1 Protests shall be delivered to the race committee within 30 minutes after the signal boat docks. The protest time limit and a list of protests received will be posted on the notice board. Hearings will be held as soon as practicable after the race in a location specified on the notice board.
- 14 SCORING AND PRIZES**
- 14.1 The "Trash Can" Trophy will be awarded to the winning Yacht Club to be held until the next Round Southport Race.
- 14.2 The winning Yacht Club shall be determined by taking the finishing score of the first three finishing yachts from each Club (regardless of class), with the lowest combined score being the winner of the prize.
- 14.3 Starting times will be calculated using the standard PHRF Time on Distance formula. Results are based on finishing order.
- 14.4 Boats with a valid rating certificate issued by PHRF-New England and which are registered as members of the Gulf of Maine Ocean Racing Association (GMORA) will be scored as part of the GMORA Boothbay Region and Overall series.
- 15 RADIO COMMUNICATION**
- 15.1 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 72 for emergency transmissions. The race committee may also be using VHF channel 72 for working communications, and may employ an "open mike" policy. Boats may monitor VHF channel 72, but are advised that any race committee communications are unofficial, and made either for race management purposes or as a courtesy to the competitors.
- 16 SAFETY**
- 16.1 All yachts are requested to check-in with the Race Committee before the start of the race by sailing past the RC signal boat on starboard tack and hailing their sailing number, and receiving confirmation from the Race Committee, or by calling on VHF channel 72.
- 16.2 A yacht that retires must notify the RC as soon as possible.
- 17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
- 17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entire at their own risk. See **RRS 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.
- 18 INSURANCE**
- 18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.
- 19 FURTHER INFORMATION**
- For further information go to the race [website](#) .