



Harraseeket Regatta

Saturday June 24th, 2023

Harraseeket Yacht Club

Dixon Wharf Road
South Freeport, Maine



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

This regatta is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024* (RRS).

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted before 1000 hours on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the Race Committee on VHF radio channel 72.

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official regatta notice board located on Regattaman.com. On the water, the Race Committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located outside the HYC clubhouse. If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 45 minutes after the AP is lowered.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

1000 Skippers Meeting. At HYC and available on ZOOM: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2240839649>

1155 Warning Signal

1600 to 1800 Post-Race Party

7. CLASS FLAGS

The Class Flag is a white flag. There will be one warning signal for all yachts.

8. RACING AREA

Racing will be conducted in Casco Bay with the starting area near GC "1" northeast of Moshier Island and the finish in the vicinity of the Dolphin Marina in Potts Harbor. The course and starting times will be handed out during the skippers meeting as Addendum A, and posted on Regattaman.com.

9. COURSES

The diagram in Addendum A of the Sailing Instructions will show the course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be rounded.

10. MARKS

Marks may include government marks, islands, inflatable balls and tetrahedrons.

11. OBSTRUCTIONS

See *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for the definition of an obstruction.

12. THE START

This is a Pursuit Race format. Yachts will start according to a schedule handed out at the skippers meeting and posted on regattaman.com. The highest handicapped yachts will start first. It is the skipper's responsibility to properly start. The Race Committee will attempt to notify any vessel that may start prematurely by hail or by VHF radio channel 72. All yachts not starting shall stay clear of the starting area. No yachts may enter within eight boat lengths of the start line until 10 minutes prior to their designated starting time. Any yacht found to have violated this rule will have five minutes added to their finish time.

The starting area will be in the vicinity of GC "1" northeast of Moshier Island. The start line will be between an orange flag on the Race Committee boat and a drop mark or government navigational buoy.

All competitors must sail by the Race Committee before the warning signal to check in with boat name and sail number. Races shall be started by using the signals listed below. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded. Rule 26 is modified as follows:

Signal – Minutes before starting signal – Flag and sound

Warning – 5 minutes to start – Class Flag raised; 1 Sound

Preparatory – 4 minutes to start – "P" Flag raised; 1 Sound

One-minute to start – Preparatory Flag dropped; 1 Long Sound

Start – Class Flag dropped; 1 Sound

There will be a sound signal at the start time for each of the following boats.

13. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change course length, marks may be moved as necessary, but no mark shall be moved when any boat is on the leg that it terminates. After the start, the Race Committee may shorten the course. If the Race Committee signals a shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds), the finishing line shall be at a rounding mark, between the mark and a staff displaying flag S. The shortened course shall be signaled before the first boat crosses the finishing line.

14. THE FINISH

The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag or flag S on the committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

The 720 rule is in effect. Please observe the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

16. TIME LIMITS

Official Time will be GPS time. There will be a time limit of 1600. Any boat finishing after 1600 will be scored DNF. The Race Committee will attempt to shorten the course if needed.

17. HEARING REQUESTS

In the event of a protest, protests shall be in writing and delivered to the Race Committee boat within 30 minutes after the Race Committee boat docks. For the purpose of lodging protests, the use of a mooring by the Race Committee Boat shall be considered "docking." Protests received will be posted on a bulletin board at the finish venue. A hearing will be held as soon as practical. It is the sole responsibility of each party in a protest to remain in the vicinity of the finish venue for proceedings.

18. SCORING

Please note that all times across the finish line for PHRF handicaps will be taken to the nearest full second. All boats finishing before 1600 will be scored. Boats not finishing by 1600 will be scored DNF. Boats entered in this regatta will also be scored in the Casco Bay Club Challenge. Boats will be scored using the GMORA CHIPS points for results in the Centerboard Regatta, PYC Pilot Regatta, and this regatta. Boats being scored the Casco Bay Club Challenge must be a member of CYC, PYC, or HYC. Club affiliation will be determined by the boat's Regattaman registration. The boat with the highest CHIPS points will be awarded the Casco Bay Club Challenge Trophy at the conclusion of this regatta.

19. SAFETY REGULATIONS

While the Race Committee may modify, shorten the course, or abandon the race, if there are concerns about crew or vessel safety due to weather considerations, ultimately it is the responsibility of the owner/skipper of each yacht participating as to whether to participate, continue, or withdraw from the race. A yacht that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee boat at the first reasonable opportunity.

20. PRIZES

Prizes (1st / 2nd / 3rd for each class) will be presented as soon as possible after the races. Following the race, all racers are welcome to stay for a post-race party at the Dolphin Marina and Restaurant

21. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees or acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. **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.**

22. INSURANCE

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

23. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

A. Mooring Information: Visiting yachts needing a mooring should contact Strouts Point Wharf Company (207-865-3899) or Brewer South Freeport Marine (207-865-3181). Overnight dockage is not allowed on HYC floats. HYC has limited guest moorings. HYC is not responsible for costs incurred by using others' moorings. Anyone wishing to stay overnight in Potts Harbor can contact the Dolphin Marina for mooring availability at 207-833-5343. Questions should be directed to HYC RC Chair Peter Selian: racing.hyc@gmail.com

B. Parking Information: Unfortunately, parking at HYC is only available to members. Visiting skippers and crew are encouraged to park along the designated streets of South Freeport, observing all "No Parking" signs.

C. For further information please contact: Race Committee Chair, Peter Selian at racing.hyc@gmail.com.

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