1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 Racing rules 44.1 and A4.2 will be changed as follows: The Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 1.3 Racing rule 52 is deleted for this series.
- 1.4 Racing Rule 30.1 I Flag Rule Is not in effect. (You may dip the line if you are early)

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be announced on VHF channel 68 and or a text message.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1130 on the 7/28 via email, text (if possible) and vhf 68

SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 4.1 Saturday July 27 2024 19:30 Skippers meeting via Google meeting
- 4.2 Sunday July 28 11:30 Check in and course review VHF 68 and if possible text.
- 4.3 11:55 First Warning Signal

6 RACING AREAS

6.1 Racing area is the upper Penobscot Bay

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 No later than the Warning signal, the race committee boat will announce the course to be sailed on VHF Channel 68 and if possible a text message skippers.
- 7.3 Courses may be shortened in accordance with RRS 32.

8 MARKS

- 8.1 Any Marks depicted on the SHSC Possible Marks list Can be selected.
- 8.2 It is the competitors responsibility to round marks in a safe manor

9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the first starting signal.
- 9.2 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the starting line flag will be displayed with five sounds of the horn at one minute before the warning signal is made.
- 9.3 The starting line will be between a flag on the committee boat and a nearby mark.

10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will display the "C" flag and announce the change over VHF Channel 68 or by hailing each individual boat.



11 THE FINISH

- 11.1 The finishing line will be between a flag on the committee boat and the final mark of the course.
- 11.2 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.

12 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1 The two-turns penalty as defined in RRS 44.1 will be changed to a one turn penalty (When Boats Meet.)
- 12.2 The one-turn penalty as defined in RRS 44.1 will apply to touching a mark.

13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 The time limit for races will be 4 hours for the first boat, in her class, to finish.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish within 1 hour after the first boat, in her class, sails the course and finishes, will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, A5.

14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 A boat intending to protest shall inform the other boat(s) at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 14.2 Boats intending to protest shall notify the RC after finishing.
- 14.3 The RC shall announce over VHF channel 68 that a protest is pending and that a meeting will occur.
- 14.4 The protesting yacht must fill out a protest form and email it to <u>info@sailstockton.net</u> no later than one hour after the last finish of the day.
- 14.5 Protest forms are available on line at the event page on raggata man
- 14.6 Protest will be heard when all parties are available not to exceed 3 hours after last boat finishes.
- 14.7 Protest will be heard via Zoom Meeting in the event that one or both parties are not available in person.

15 SCORING

- 15.1 The low point scoring system shall be used with the first place being awarded one point.
- 15.2 Boats scored OCS, DNF, and DSQ will be awarded a finish score 1 greater than the number of boats that started the race (RRS A4).
- 15.3 A race will only be scored for a Division in which 2 or more boats start. Scoring is done using the time-on-time method.

16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 All boats intending to race shall check-in with the race committee at the Skipper's Meeting or as they approach the starting area on VHF Channel 68.
- 16.2 Check-in shall include the name of the boat racing and the number of persons aboard.
- 16.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

17 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.
- 17.2 Official communications shall be made over VHF Channel 68

18 AWARDS

18.1 Awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be awarded for each division on the Stockton Springs waterfront. If someone is not available from the crew the award will be shipped.

19 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1 By participating in the event, entrants affirmatively acknowledge that: My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS 4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
- 19.2 I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew and the boat in this event, even if caused by their negligence. 19.3 I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 19.4 I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
- 19.5 I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before participating.

20 INSURANCE

20.1 By participating in the event, entrants affirmatively acknowledge their obligation to procure and maintain standard marine insurance policies (both hull and P&I) covering property and personal injury risks associated with sailboat racing and in amounts reasonably sufficient to cover such risks.

END Sailing Instructions

General Information

A. Mooring Information:

Limited moorings and dock space are available at Stockton Harbor. To reserve a mooring, please contact Stockton Springs Harbor Master at (207)323-1132. Stockton Springs also has well protected anchorage with good holding ground.

C. For more Information:

Visit <u>www.sailstockton.org/turtleheadtrot</u> or contact Keith Bradley at (207)460-6218, or keith.e.t.bradley@gmail.com.