

**Sailing Instructions**  
**Sodus Bay Yacht Club – 2018**  
**Course Racing Series**

**May 10, 2018**

- 1. Rules:** Races will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*: 2017-2020 including the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 2. Entry:**
  - 2.1. Boat must be owned by SBYC member in good standing.
  - 2.2. Boat owner must have a current PHRF-LO rating certificate for the boat, and pay the annual certificate fee, before the end of the Series race, in order to be scored in this class.
  - 2.3. One Design fleets will be scored as a class. Three actively racing boats are necessary to form a One Design Fleet.
  - 2.4. Boat owner must sign an SBYC Participation Agreement and provide it to the Fleet Captain prior to the beginning of the first series in which the boat races.
  - 2.5. A SBYC member must be on board and assume the responsibility of skipper.
  - 2.6. Boat owner must declare their boat's status, spinnaker, non-spinnaker (those boats with a PHRF no flying sails rating), or One Design class prior to the first race of each series in which they participate.
  - 2.7. A minimum of 4 boats are required to have a racing season. A minimum of two (2) boats shall be available for racing during a season to establish a fleet. If only one boat starts a race in a division and finishes the course, they will be given a 1st place for that race.
  - 2.8. A boat that came to the starting area but did not start, did not finish, retired or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that came to the starting area. A boat that did not come to the starting area shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats entered in the series.
  - 2.9. In the interest of increasing participation, members of other nearby clubs may be invited to race their boats upon the approval of the Fleet Captain.

### **3. Skippers Meetings/Sailing Instructions**

There will be a Skippers Meeting before the start of each of the four sets of races described in these Sailing Instructions. Meetings will be held on the west patio of the Clubhouse starting at 0900.

May 19 (Sunday) – Spring Series – 0900

May 25 (Saturday) – Memorial Day Series – 0900

August 31 (Saturday) -Labor Day Series - 0900

September 2 (Sunday) – Fall Series – 0900

PHRF Ratings will be confirmed. Participation forms will be signed. PHRF-LO rating certificate will be in accordance with 2.2. Sailing Instructions will be provided to each Skipper who is unable to download them directly from the website or direct emailing.

**4. Notices to competitors** will be posted on the Notice Board located on the west patio of the club by 0900 on the day the race is sailed.

**5. Any changes in the Sailing Instructions** will be approved by the Race Committee and posted on the Notice Board one hour before the warning signal for the race in which it will take effect.

**6.**

**Schedule of Races:** The warning signal shall be at 1030 Hours.

May 19 - Spring Series 1 & 2

May 25 - Memorial Day Series 1, 2 & 3

June 2 - Spring Series 3 & 4

June 9 - Spring Series 5 & 6

June 16 - Spring Series 7 & makeup, if necessary

August 31 – Labor Day Series 1, 2 & 3

September 8 – Fall Series 1 & 2

September 15 - Fall Series 3 & 4

September 22 - Fall Series 5 & 6

September 29 - Fall Series 7 & makeup, if necessary

October 26 – Halloween Party – Awards Ceremony

### **7. Signals Made Ashore:**

7.1. Will be displayed on the SBYC club flag mast when installed. Until then the Croucher will display all flags until the harbor gun.

7.2. A special flag (hot pink in color with the black letters spelling “lake”) flown as signal made ashore, means that races for that day will be held in the Lake Racing Area.

## **8. Division Splits:**

8.1. Shall be announced at the skippers meeting and posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board. Division splits shall be by rating or class. Division 1 will be the division with the larger number of boats.

### **8.2. Class Flags**

8.2.1. The class flag for Divisions shall be international code flag representing the division number assigned to that division.

## **9. Course:** Racing areas are designated either Lake or Bay.

9.1. The Lake Racing Area shall be approximately 1.0 NM from at 50 degrees magnetic from the end of the east breakwater. The approximate distance between marks A and C shall be at the discretion of the Principle Race Officer in order to best establish a race that is 1 hour long.

9.2. The PRO shall determine the racing area for the Bay as they deem appropriate for existing wind and weather conditions. The approximate distance between marks A and C shall be at the discretion of the Principle Race officer in order to best establish a race that is 45 to 60 minutes long.

9.3. The diagram with identifying numbers (section 17.0) show the courses to be run in the Lake Racing Area and the Bay Racing Area including the approximate angle between legs, the order of rounding marks and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9.4. The identifying number of the chosen course (see diagram, section 17.0) and the approximate magnetic compass course to the first mark will be displayed from the Race Committee signal boat at the warning signal for the division to start.

9.5. All marks will be orange tetrahedrons. A special red and white mark may be used to make a shorter course for white sail or slower phrf -lo spinnaker boats.

9.6. The start line shall be between the signal boat mast flying an orange flag and a mark or pin.

9.7. The finish line shall be between the signal boat mast flying an orange flag and a mark or pin.

9.8. When there is only one race committee boat available, Appendix U may be used to change the course due to weather/wind changes. The race committee boat will fly the change flag, sound multiple sound

signals, send a text to boats with hearing impaired racers, and proceed to change the course.

**10.Starting Order:** The order of start shall be announced at the skippers meeting.

**11.Time Limit:** The time limit for a boat to finish a race will be 2 hours for each division. If no boat finishes in the prescribed time, the race will be abandoned.

**12.Penalties:** RRS Rule 44.1 and 44.2 will be in effect. Appendix V will apply.

**13.Protests:**

- 13.1. Time Limit: Shall be 1 hour after the code flag bravo is flown ashore, upon return of the race committee boat.
- 13.2. Forms: Protest forms will be available on the bathroom hallway bulletin board, or may be copied from the Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.
- 13.3. The Fleet Captain will post the Protest Form(s) and the time(s) scheduled for protest hearing(s) on the west patio notice board within 1 hour after the protest is received. Competitors, interested parties and/or witnesses are responsible for being aware of the time scheduled for the protest in which they are involved and for being in the clubhouse area to start protest proceedings at the time posted.
- 13.4. For spinnaker divisions, the protest committee will be the principle race officer and 4 sailors from the other spinnaker division. For white sail protests, the protest committee shall be the PRO and 2 sailors from each spinnaker division. If there is only 1 spinnaker division, the protest committee shall be the PRO and 2 experienced club members that are currently retired from racing. It is the responsibility of the Fleet Captain to find these individuals.

**14.Scoring:** Finish times will be corrected using the Standard PHRF-LO Time-on-Time method and will be scored in accordance with the Racing Rules of Sailing Appendix A except as defined by the chart below:

<b>Series</b>	<b>Races Scheduled</b>	<b>Races to Constitute a series</b>	<b>Races Counted</b>
<b>Spring</b>	7	2	5
<b>Memorial Day</b>	3	1	All Sailed
<b>Fall</b>	7	2	5
<b>Labor Day</b>	3	1	All sailed

The Fleet Champion for Division 1, 2 and white sail will be determined by the sum of each of the series places in the spring, fall, memorial day and labor day series. If there is a tie between 2 or more boats, each boats series place shall be listed in order of best to worst, at the first point(s) where there is a difference the tie shall be broken in favor of the boat(s) with the best score(s). If a tie remains between 2 or more boats, they shall be ranked in order of their scores in the last race.

**15.Prizes:** Flags and perpetual trophies shall be awarded to the respective fleets at the SBYC awards ceremony.

### **16.1Radio communication**

16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat racing shall not make voice or data communications and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

16. The PRO will text any radio communications made to the fleet to boats with hearing impaired skippers. Failure to hear or see any notifications will not be grounds for redress. Any communications made in text by a hearing impaired skipper to the pro will be radio transmitted to the entire group.

### **17.Course Diagram – Order of marks to be sailed**

#### **Course #**

- 1 – Start, A, C, Finish**
- 2 – Start, A, B, C, Finish**
- 3 – Start, A, C, A, B, C, Finish**
- 4 – Start, A,C,A, Finish**
- 5 – Start, A,B,C,A,B,C, Finish**
- 6 – Start, A,C,A,C, Finish**

- 7 – Start, A,C,A,B,C,A,C, Finish
- 8 – Start, A,B,C,A,C,A,C,Finish
- 9 – Start, A,B,C,A,C,A,B,C,A,C, Finish

All marks are left to port

VHF radio channel 71 = Race Committee

(not to scale)

