

Shore Acres Yacht Club

Thursday Night MC Scow Series

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the BBYRA Racing Rules, and those defined by these sailing instructions.
- 1.2. If there is a conflict between a rule in the Notice of Race, BBYRA and these Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.
- 1.3. RRS 61 will be changed to require a boat to inform the race committee immediately after finishing of its intention to protest another boat and provide the sail number or skipper of protested boat. Protests will be written in forms available at SAYC and lodged within one hour after the last boat finishes with the chairman of the race committee in accordance with RRS 61.3.
- 1.4. Any change in sailing instructions will be posted at least one hour prior to scheduled Warning Signal on the official SAYC notice board and sent out via email to registered sailors.

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY, and ACCOUNTABILITY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of any class with a PHRF rating. A specific class of three boats or more qualifies for a separate start and must be approved by the Race Committee prior to the start of the regatta series. All boats must carry safety equipment as specified by their class and the USCG

- 2.2. Boats must be registered each week prior to the warning signal for her class. Any registered boat sailing in the starting area between her preparatory and starting signals will be considered a starter.
- 2.3. A boat that comes to the starting line and elects not to race must so advise the SAYC race committee. The committee will endeavor to account for all entered boats. If a boat does not start or fails to finish, the skipper must notify the SAYC race committee.

3. FEES

- 3.1. All Daily fees have been waived for this MC Series.

4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Registration: Pre-registration is required.
- 4.2. Registration: Single day registration will be taken after 5:30pm on day of race.
- 4.3. The scheduled time of the warning signal for MC Fleet will be variable contingent upon sunset times, aiming for 6:30pm.
- 4.4. 2 Races are scheduled per day, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

5. VENUE - Kettle Creek - North Barnegat Bay

6. THE COURSE

- 6.1. The courses will be Windward-Leeward type courses with the number of legs signified by the race committee
- 6.2. A gate may be employed on any windward-leeward course. When there is a gate, boats shall sail between the gate marks from the direction of the previous mark and round

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either gate mark. Use of a gate will be signaled by display of placard "G" following the course number.

6.3. Any special course will be posted at least one hour prior to scheduled Warning Signal on official SAYC notice board.

7. THE START

7.1. Racing will be started using RRS 26 (three-minute sequence).

7.2. The starting line and finishing line will be between the committee boat and an inflatable mark as the pin.

7.3. WHILE RACING, ALL BOATS MUST SAIL ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE OF INFLATABLE MARK "K". After starting and before finishing, a boat may cross the starting line. A boat starting later than five minutes after her signal will be scored Did Not Start. This changes rule A4.1

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

8.1. For all classes rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, are required.

9. SCORING

9.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS APPENDIX A will apply. RRS A.9, Race Scores in a Series Longer than a Regatta, replaces RRS A4.2. One race must be completed to constitute a series. When 1 to 3 races have been completed for her class, a boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

- When 6 to 8 races have been completed for her class, a boat's score will be the

total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

- When 14 to 16 races have been completed for her class, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- When 20 or more races have been completed for her class, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.
- Additional drops may be included at the discretion of the race committee contingent upon races sailed.

9.2. Series is comprised of two sub-series. Awards will be given for overall winners in:

- Series Overall (all weeks of racing)
- Early Summer Series (June 17, 2021 - July 29, 2021)
- Late Summer Series (August 5, 2021 - September 30, 2021)

10. SUPPORT BOATS

10.1. There will be 1 to 2 chase boats available per week as rescue boats.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

11.1. 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.