



DRY PANTS MODEL YACHT CLUB

New England Spring Regatta

Saturday, May 14, 2022

Plattwood Park

#77 Winthrop Rd Deep River, CT

Sponsored by Dry Pants Model Yacht Club #243

Sailing Instructions

1 RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 *Racing Rules of Sailing*, Appendix E for RC sailing, prescriptions of US Sailing, the CR-914 class rules, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2** Rule 31 is changed to Boats may hit marks without penalty, with **EXCEPTION** of the Starting and Finishing marks which may **NOT** be hit while Starting or Finishing.
- 1.3** All CR-914's must adhere strictly to all Class Rules. Boats will be weighed before the Regatta and other items may be checked at the discretion of the RD.
- 1.4** A boat gone ashore, aground, or become entangled with another boat or a mark, may be freed and re-launched by anyone.
- 1.5** While ashore or at the water's edge, boats may be adjusted, drained, or repaired. You may have entangled objects removed and batteries may be changed. You are not allowed, however, to change, reef or un-reef sails during the regatta. A damaged sail may be repaired or replaced with the approval of the Race Director (RD).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be given verbally by the RD and may be posted on an official notice board if available.

3 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Verbal changes to these Sailing Instructions may be made at any time by the RD. All competitors shall be notified. This changes rule 90.2(c).

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

0915 Skippers Meeting
1000 Morning Racing Starts
1200 Lunch Break

- 1245 Afternoon Racing Begins
- 1445 Complete Last Race – approximate
- 1530 Awards ceremony and social

5 RACING FORMAT

- 5.1 The racing format will be a single fleet of no more than eighteen boats.

6 THE COURSE

- 6.1 The Course, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left, will be given verbally by the RD and may be posted on a course board if available.

7 CONTROL AREA

The control area is unrestricted with the exception that no one can stand on the rocks or anything that would give you a visual advantage.

8 LAUNCHING / HAULOUT AREA

The area is unrestricted. Please make way ASAP for others.

9 THE START

- 9.1 Heat will be started as required by rule E3.4 or as changed by the RD to a one minute-start sequence.
 - 9.2 Prior to the Preparatory signal, a boat may request the RD to postpone the starting sequence for five minutes for the repair of a technical problem or breakdown. When such a delay is granted, it will be announced, and the starting sequence will be re-started after the completion of the five-minute delay. Each boat may be granted one such delay for the day. Delays for tuning, adjusting sails or changing sails due to weather will not be granted.
 - 9.3 Rule 29.1 (Individual Recall) will be amended as “no flags will be shown.” If any part of a boats hull is on the course side of the starting line at the START signal, the line judge will attempt to hail that boat and you will be OCS for the race until you restart and are clear. Failure of the skipper to hear such a hail will not be grounds for redress. Skippers will be on their honor to restart the race if no hail is given and you were over.
 - 9.4 Round the End Rule (30.1) is in effect for ALL races. In 30.1 change (the last minute before her starting signal) to the last 10 seconds before her starting signal.
- ## **10 FINISH**
- 10.1 Boats that have finished must stay clear of the racecourse and boats still racing.
 - 10.2 The RD may award a finishing position to any boat(s) that lags the balance of the fleet in finishing to promote more heats sailed.

11 PROTEST

- 11.1** A boat protesting another boat, while sailing, shall hail the other boat, as required by rule 61.1a as modified by rule E6.3.
- 11.2** Boats filing a protest with the protest committee must notify the RD immediately following the relevant heat. A protest form is not required. The protest hearing will be conducted using the “Five-minute format”. One minute for the person lodging the protest, one minute for the offending boat to rebut and three minutes for the protest committee to issue its finding. The finding of the protest committee is final and cannot be appealed. This modifies Rule 61.1.
- 11.3** The protest will be heard at the lunch break or at the completion of the last race.

12 REDRESS

- 12.1** Boats requesting redress must notify the RD immediately following the relevant heat. A redress form is not required, this changes rule 62.2. The redress hearing will be conducted using the “Five Minute Format”.

13 SCORING

- 13.1** The Low Point System described in Appendix A shall be used with the following modification: The score for one race shall be discarded after completing 6 races, two discards after completion of 12 races, three discards after completion of 18 races.
- 13.2** A disqualification (DSQ) may not be discarded.
- 13.3** Five (5) races are required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

14 AWARDS

Awards will be awarded to First thru third place. Additional awards may be given based upon the Race Committee’s recommendation.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS rule 3, Decision to Race. Sailing is an activity that has risk of damage and injury. Dry Pants Model Yacht Club as the Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after sailing for both on-the-water and on-land activities. By participating in the NESR, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers and all persons from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

16 FAIR SAILING

Rule 2 Fair Sailing.... Sailors will exhibit sportsman-like behavior at all times during this regatta. Any sailor deemed to be in violation of Rule 2 may be issued a warning by the Race Committee. Second infractions may result in disqualification from the event and points earned will be revoked.