HYC SPRING REGATTA

HUDSON YACHT CLUB
MAY 28-29, 2016

The Organizing Authority will be the Hudson Yacht Club

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except as amended by the Sailing Instructions.
1.2 Current SLVYRA PHRF classifications will apply.
1.3 Current SLVYRA handicaps will apply.
1.4 Re J24 fleet; No member of the crew shall station any part of his/her torso outside the upper lifeline other than temporarily, notwithstanding the provisions of Racing Rules of Sailing 49.

2. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the HYC Terrace Notice Board before 0900 hrs on the day that they will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

3.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the T Pier in front of The Hudson Yacht Club terrace.
3.2 When the AP flag is displayed ashore, 1 MINUTE is replaced with not less than 30 MINUTES in the race signal AP.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 6 races are scheduled. There will be a maximum of 4 races Saturday, May 28th
4.2 A minimum of 3 boats per class is required to constitute a race. Should there be fewer than 3 boats, there will be no start for that class.
4.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day will be 1100hrs
4.4 When there has been a long postponement and when more then one race (or sequence of races, for two or more classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for the first race and each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, an orange flag will be displayed with one sound, at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.
4.5 Classes will start in the following order;
   1) PHRF 1A, 1B, 2, &3
   2) J-22 &T-22
4.6 There Will Be No Race Warning Signal Made After 14:30 hrs. Sunday, May 29th.

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5. CLASS FLAGS AND STARTING ORDER

5.1

CLASS	Numerical Pennant or Flag
PHRF1A	1
PHRF1B, 2 & 3	1
J22	2
T22	3

5.2 The Race Committee may combine fleets for starts. To do so the RC will display code flag L and inform the competitors.

6. COURSES

6.1 The course shall be indicated on the race course board on the Race Committee Boat or the Webb Pier if the race is started from there. Each red or green placard represents a mark of the course.

6.1.1 Letters on a green background color indicates the mark is to be left to starboard.

6.1.2 Letters on a red background color indicates the mark is to be left to port.

6.1.3 A placard with an X followed by a number indicates the course will be sailed again. Example; W G S X2 indicates the course will be sailed twice; X3 the course will be sailed three times, etc.

6.1.4 The following letters will be used on the placards to indicate the course:

W = Windward G = Gybe L = Leeward S = Drop Mark

6.2 The first placard is the first mark of the course.

6.3 The race shall not be shortened to less than two legs of the course.

7. Marks

Marks will be yellow or orange inflatable buoys. The start and finishing mark will be a mark buoy or floating staff displaying an orange flag.

8. THE START

8.1 The start will be between the mast of the RC boat displaying an orange flag and an inflatable buoy at the port end.

8.2 The start line will be approximately 75 m to leeward of the leeward mark.

9. CHANGE OF COURSE

9.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or Move the finishing line) and re move the original mark as soon as practical. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. The new mark will be a different colour.

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10.THE FINISH

10.1 The finish will be between the mast of the Race Committee displaying an orange flag and an inflatable buoy or floating staff displaying an orange flag.

11.TIME LIMITS

11.1 Time limits are as follows:

CLASS	RACE TIME LIMIT	Mark # 1 TIME LIMIT
PHRF 1A, 1B, 2, 3	90 min	25 min
J-22 T-22	90 min	25 min

11.2 If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit the race will be abandoned

11.3 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails and finishes the course will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes rules 35 and A4.1.

12.PROTESTS

12.1 Protests shall be delivered to the Race office within the allotted time. (Protest forms are available at the Race office).

12.2 Protests shall be written on forms available at the HYC office and lodged with the Race Officer or Bosun within 60 minutes of the Race Committee boat's return to the harbour. This changes rule 61.3 of *The Racing Rules of Sailing.*

12.3 The Protest Committee will hear protests in the order of receipt as soon as possible after receipt.

12.4 The Notice Board on the HYC Terrace will inform protesters of the time and location of the hearing.

12.5 Anyone wishing to communicate with the Race Committee will do so by using Inquiry Forms available at the Race office. The Race Committee will respond by posting the information on the notice board.

13.SCORING

13.1 The Low Scoring Pointing System, RRS Appendix A will apply as amended below.

13.2 Three races must be completed to constitute a series.

13.3 When five or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

13.4 When six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst score.

13.5 For HYC boats Race numbers 1, 2, and 3 sailed on Saturday will be scored both for this Regatta and HYC Saturday series A-1, A-2 and A-3

13.6 For time limit expiration (TLE) scoring, boats not finishing within the time limit shall be scored for the finishing place one more than the number of boats scored as finished in their class in that race. This changes rule A4.2

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14. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

14.1 The Race committee will monitor VHF channel 71 and may communicate with competitors on this channel.

15. DISCLAIMER OF RESPONSIBILITY

15.1 Competitors participate in the regatta 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.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

16.1 Before the first race of the day, all boats will sail on a starboard tack past the transom of the RC boat and receive acknowledgement.

16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.

17. INSURANCE

17.1 Each participating boat will be insured with third party liability insurance. Minimum coverage of $1,000,000 or equivalent.

18. PRIZES

18.1 Prizes will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place boats in individual PHRF fleets if five or more boats participate. If less then five boats participate in each fleet prizes will be awarded to 1st and 2nd positions.