



HUDSON YACHT CLUB
2021 HYC SERIES SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Amended September 24th

1. RULES

- 1.1. All HYC Series races will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except where amended by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. The SLVYRA PHRF handicap rules will apply, and all boats must have a valid SLVYRA PHRF handicap.
- 1.3. While HYC Series are open to any helmsmen and results will be published for all competing boats, only HYC boats meeting the following criteria will be scored for the purposes of HYC Series awards and Qualification for HYC Fleet and Club Championships.
 - 1.3.1. The helmsman shall be shall be a member in good standing of HYC
 - 1.3.2. Each boat and crew member participating in the Series shall be registered
 - 1.3.3. For any HYC Series race, a boat shall be limited to one non-HYC member crew
- 1.4. Some HYC series races may be sailed in conjunction with other events. These races will have their own set of Sailing Instructions and be scored separately as part of these series where applicable.
- 1.5. If there is any conflict between Sailing Instructions, the HYC Series Sailing Instructions will take precedence for the results of HYC Series races.

2. IDENTIFICATION AND REGISTRATION

- 2.1. Except for Tuesday White Sail series, sailors wishing to sail under the white sail configuration must tie a white ribbon to their backstay.
- 2.2. Each boat intending to race shall, before their first race on each day, come within hailing distance of the Race Committee vessel, and shall report its sail number and receive acknowledgement.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board will be located on the HYC website www.hudsonyachtclub.com. Copies of documents may, or may not, be placed on the HYC Clubhouse Notice Board located on the terrace. However, amendments, addendums or other notices issued just before a race will be posted on the HYC Clubhouse Notice Board. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check both notice boards for any amendments, addendums or other notices.

4. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Any changes to the sailing instructions shall be posted 2 hours before a scheduled start. Any change to the schedule of races shall be posted by 1200 hrs on the day before it will take effect.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the mast on the Webb Pier.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. The scheduled dates of HYC Series Racing are published within the HYC Club Calendar located on the Official Notice Board.
- 6.2. For each series, the scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is shown in the following table:

SERIES	DAY	CLASSES	NUMBER OF RACES	WARNING SIGNAL	ORDER OF STARTS
White Sail A, B, C	Tuesday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2/3 T22	1	1900 hrs	1 st 1A, 1B/2/3 2 nd T22
Keel Boat Thur A, B, C	Thursday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2/3 T22, J22	1	1900 hrs	1 ST 1A, 1B/2/3 2 nd T22, J22
Keel Boat Sat	Saturday	PHRF 1A, 1B/2/3 T22, J22	3	1100 hrs	1 ST 1A, 1B/2/3 2 nd T22, J22
Keel Boat Fall	Thursday	All Classes	1	1830 hrs	One start
Keel Boat Fall	Saturday	All Classes	2	1100 hrs	One Start

- 6.3. For Keel Boat Thursday Series races only, if one (1) or more races in the series have been abandoned or postponed, one (1) race will be re-sailed on predetermined Monday evenings.
 - 6.3.1. Thur A series: July 28 with warning signal at 1900 hrs.
 - 6.3.2. Thur B series: August 2 with warning signal at 1900 hrs.
 - 6.3.3. Thur C series: September 6 with warning signal 1830hrs.
 - 6.3.4. The re-sail race will be scored as the last race of the series.
- 6.4. Keel Boat Sat Series races that are abandoned or postponed, up to a maximum of three (3) races, will be re-sailed on Saturday August 28 with first warning signal at 1100 hrs. The re-sail races will be sailed in the order in which they were missed and will be scored as the last races of the Sat Series.
- 6.5. When more than one class or fleet is scheduled to start on the same course, the warning signal for each succeeding class or fleet will be approximately one minute after the starting signal of the preceding class or fleet.
- 6.6. When more than one race (or sequence of races, for two or more fleets or classes) will be held on the same day, the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable following the preceding race or sequence of races. The Race Committee may make repeated sound signals approximately 30 seconds before the warning signal of the succeeding race.

7. CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1. Class flags will be:

CLASS	NUMERIC PENNANT OR FLAG
PHRF 1 A	1
PHRF 1B/2/3	1
J22	2
T22	3
Misc. center boards	1
Optimist	2

7.2. Classes will start in the order defined in 6.2, unless otherwise indicated by class flags on the committee boat or Webb Pier.

8. RACING AREAS

8.1. All races will be sailed in front of HYC, wind direction permitting.

9. THE COURSE

9.1. 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.

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

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

9.1.3. 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 indicates the course will be sailed three times, etc.

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

W = Windward G = Gybe L = Leeward Gate

9.3. The first placard identifies the first mark of the course.

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

10. MARKS

10.1. Marks shall be orange or yellow inflatable buoys. Offset marks (if used) may be orange, yellow or red.

11. THE START

11.1. The start line will be between the mast on the Webb Pier, or a mast on the Race Committee Boat, displaying an orange flag, and an inflatable buoy at the other end of the line.

11.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area.

11.3. A boat starting later than 4 minutes after her starting signal shall be scored Did Not Start. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11.4. In the case of a General Recall for the first start, the second start will not be delayed. This modifies RRS 29.2.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

12.1. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove 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 may be a different colour.

13. THE FINISH

13.1. The finish line will be between the mast on the Webb Pier, or a mast on the Race Committee Boat, displaying an orange flag, and a mark of the course.

14. TIME LIMITS

14.1. Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing.

15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1. Boats intending to lodge a protest shall inform the Race Committee Boat upon finishing and provide the name and sail number of the protested boat.
- 15.2. Protests shall be written on forms available at the HYC office and lodged with the Race Officer or Bosun within thirty minutes of the Race Committee Boat's return to the harbour.
- 15.3. The Race Committee Chairman will be responsible for convening a jury of at least two members.
- 15.4. For protests between only HYC boats, the protest shall be heard immediately following the race. Protest hearings will be heard in the sequence officially noted as being received by the HYC office.
- 15.5. For Thursday series, including the HYC/CVL/CVMO and LTM series, all protests shall be heard immediately following the race at the HYC.

16. SCORING

- 16.1. For all HYC Series, 3 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 16.2. Thursday Series, White Sail Series, Fall Series & Frostbite Series
 - (a) When fewer than 4 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When from 4 to 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) The boat of a competitor serving Race Committee duty will be scored for that race with the average of points scored by the boat in that series, excluding discards.
- 16.3. Saturday Series
 - (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
 - (c) The boat of a competitor serving Race Committee duty will be scored for that race with the average of points scored by the boat in that series, excluding discards.
 - (d) In the event a competitor serves as Race Committee for multiple races on a given day, the boat will be scored for those races completed on that day, with the average of points scored by that boat in all other Saturday series races, excluding discards.
- 16.4. There will be separate scoring for:
 - (a) Thursday and Saturday Series: PHRF 1A; PHRF 1B/2/3; J22; and T22
 - (b) White Sail Series: PHRF 1A/1B/2/3/J22 and T22
 - (c) Fall Series: PHRF all boats
- 16.5. If a skipper is unable to fulfill Race Committee duty he or she is required to find a suitable replacement and notify the Bosun. Failure to do so will result in disqualification of their boat from all races in that series.

17. MEASUREMENT / HANDICAPS

- 17.1. A boat entered in a series must maintain their handicap status for the entire series of races.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

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

19. TRASH DISPOSAL

- 19.1. Boats shall not put trash in the water. Trash may be deposited in the appropriate containers on shore at the Club or placed aboard support and race committee boats.

20. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1. The Race Committee will monitor channel 71 and may communicate with competitors on this channel.

21. PRIZES

21.1. Prizes for HYC Series, Fleet Championships, and the Club Championship shall be given at the HYC Sailors Awards Dinner.

22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

22.1. Competitors participate in the racing entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 racing.

23. INSURANCE

23.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$1,000,000 or the equivalent.

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