



2023 Neuse River Regatta

Sailing Instructions

October 7, 2023

In Memory of Georgie Jackson and Dave Whitney

Blackbeard Sailing Club (BSC), Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club (FHYC), and Neuse Yacht Racing Association (NYRA) is the Organizing Authority for the event.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including the US Sailing prescriptions thereto.
- 1.2 The current NC - PHRF Regulations.
- 1.3 The current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) for Near Shore events.
- 1.4 Rule 26 is changed (see SI 6.4.)

2 COMMUNICATIONS TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The Official Notice Board will be online on Regatta Network at www.regattanetwork.com/event/27082.
- 2.2 The Race Committee, s/v Dutch Wind, may make on-the-water changes via VHF radio channel 78A and get acknowledgement from all competitors affected by the change.

3 SCHEDULE

- 0930** Skippers' Meeting on the deck at BSC.
1155 First Signal – one race scheduled.
1700 Social on BSC deck.
1730 Dinner at BSC clubhouse. Dinner will go on even if racing is cancelled.

4 THE COURSE

The course and start times will be posted on Regatta Network no later than 2200 Friday, October 6, 2023 and provided to competitors at the Skippers' Meeting.

5 MARKS

- 5.1 The marks of the course will be government marks on the Neuse River in the area of Northwest Creek N1, Neuse River 11, and Neuse River 26.
- 5.2 If Mark "19" and/or Mark "2" are designated, boats are to round a temporary mark set on the offshore side of the government mark.

6 THE START

- 6.1 The starting line will be between Mark "2" and the white ball set on the offshore side of Mark "2".
- 6.2 There will be no signal boat on station for starts.
- 6.3 Spinnaker and non-spinnaker boats will not be started separately.

- 6.4 The race will be started in groups based on PHRF handicaps. Starts will occur at 5-minute intervals. RRS 26 is changed to allow for the use of audible signals and radio announcements only, no flags. This changes NoR 4.1.
- 6.5 The starting signal for the first group is the warning signal for second group, and the starting signal for the second group is the warning signal for the third group, and so on.

7 THE FINISH

- 7.1 The finish line will be between Mark "N1" and the white ball set on the offshore side of Mark "1."
- 7.2 If the course is shortened, it shall be announced by the Race Committee on VHF radio channel 78A.
- 7.3 All skippers shall provide their finish times via VHF radio channel 78A and receive acknowledgement from the Race Committee. Finish times are to be taken when a line from the boat to the mark is at 90° to the compass course from the prior mark.

8 SCORING

Each boat's score will be her corrected time determined using time-on-time and her NC-PHRF or assigned rating.

9 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded in both spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes based on the number of competitors.