



Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club

Commodore's Cup

June 27, 2025

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:
 - 1.1.1. the Notice of Race for this race,
 - 1.1.2. the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) changed as noted in these instructions.
- 1.2. RUNNING LIGHTS MUST BE DISPLAYED FROM THE FIRST WARNING SIGNAL.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the LHYC website at www.lhyc.org before 1800 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 3.1. Any planned postponement or abandonment will be announced prior to 1700 hours on the day before the race will be posted to the LHYC website at www.lhyc.org and distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat.
- 3.2. In the event of severe weather which might compromise the welfare of the race committee (RC), warnings of postponement or abandonment from ashore will be distributed to the skippers via the email address used to register the boat prior to 1600 hours on the day of the race. The final decision will be distributed prior to 1800 hours and may be announced on VHF channel 72 from both Huntington and Northport Harbors.

4. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 4.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the Lloyd Harbor Yacht Club website www.lhyc.org no later than 1200 hours on the day when the change takes effect and will be broadcast on VHF channel 72 prior to the first warning signal. The same and additional notices, at the discretion of the Organizing Authority, may be broadcast on VHF channel 72 prior to the first warning signal.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Racing is scheduled for June 27, 2024.
- 5.2. The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 1900 hours.

6. CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1. There will be two divisions, Racing (Class 1) and Cruising (Class 2). Boats which generally do not race and use "cruising canvas" not to include high-tech materials, e.g., Mylar, Kevlar, carbon fiber, will race in the Cruising division. All other boats will race in the Racing division.
- 6.2. The class assignment for each boat will be made at the discretion of the Organizing Authority and indicated

on the Scratch Sheet.

- 6.3. All boats shall identify themselves to the RC by sailing past the stern of the signal boat on starboard tack with mainsail hoisted prior to the first warning signal.

7. RACING AREAS

- 7.1. Racing will be held in Huntington Bay.
- 7.2. Rendezvous will be made in the vicinity of Nun "2" at the entrance to Lloyd Harbor.

8. COURSES

- 8.1. Courses will be signaled by the RC using a letter placard indicating the course.
 - 8.1.1. **Course A:** Flasher "1" (Sand City) to port, Bell "8" (Target Rock) to port, then finish.
 - 8.1.2. **Course B:** Bell "8" (Target Rock) to starboard, Flasher "1" (Sand City) to starboard, then finish.

9. MARKS

- 10.1. The starting and finishing mark will be Nun "2" off Lloyd Harbor.

11. THE START

- 11.1. Races will be started according to RRS 26 using a rolling sequence where the Start of one division is the Warning Signal for the following division unless otherwise announced by the RC.
- 11.2. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and Nun "2".
- 11.3. The RC will attempt to identify OCS boats and broadcast their sail numbers via VHF channel 72. Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification and the timing and order of such hail shall not be cause for redress. This changes RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 11.4. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.
- 11.5. Any boat starting later than ten minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This modifies RRS Appendix 5.1.
- 11.6. If the automated starting system is used, i.e., the Ollie System, racers should be aware of the short, repetitive sounds emitted prior to the initial warning signal and not consider them part of the starting sequence.

12. CHANGE OF COURSE

- 12.1. Courses will not be changed after the first start signal but may be shortened.

13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and Nun "2" unless the course is shortened in accordance with RRS 32.2. The race committee boat may shine a light at the mark to highlight the finish line. If finishing after dark, yachts shall shine a light on their sail numbers and report them to the RC.

14. TIME LIMIT

- 14.1. The time limit will be 2110 hours for all boats. Any boat not finishing by the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

15. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 15.1. RRS 44, Appendix V1, and Appendix V2 will apply.

16. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 16.1. A boat initiating a protest shall immediately after finishing, notify the race committee over VHF channel 72 of

its intent to lodge a protest and the identity of the boat(s) being protested, repeating the notification at [reasonable] intervals until acknowledged by the RC. This changes RRS 60.2.

- 16.2.** Boats shall not be entitled to redress for misstatements by the RC or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast. This modifies RRS 61.4(b)(1).
- 16.3.** Notice of Protest(s) by the RC will be made via VHF channel 72 to inform boats under RRS 60.2(b).
- 16.4.** Protests shall be written on US Sailing protest forms or equivalent and shall be delivered to the Protest Committee Chairman as described in "CONTACTS", Section 21.2. Protests shall be delivered in person or via email to protest@lhyc.org by 2200 hours on the day following the event. The same time limit applies to protests by the RC about incidents they observe in their racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 60.3(b)(1).
- 16.5.** Protest hearings will be scheduled accordingly and posted on the event website notice board to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 16.6.** Appeals for scoring corrections may be made to the Fleet Captain via email at fleetcapt@lhyc.org within 48 hours of a boat's finish. Appeals shall include the believed time of finish and witness accounts of the boat finishing immediately ahead and the boat finishing immediately behind the protesting boat. This changes RRS 90.3(e).
- 16.7.** Racers will be notified of scoring errors detected and corrected by the RC or scorers within 48 hours of publication of event results. This changes RRS 90.3(e).

17. SCORING

- 17.1.** Time allowances will be as per YRALIS PHRF procedures using Time on Distance and will be based on the course distance of 3.4 NM.

18. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 18.1.** All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to extend the right-of-way to commercial vessels, especially those restricted in their ability to maneuver, making passage through the racing area. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the RC.

19. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 19.1.** Each boat shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channel 72.
- 19.2.** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to all mobile devices.
- 19.3.** The RC shall use VHF channel 72 for any radio communications with competitors. As an additional courtesy, radio prompts may be given to preface any actions by the RC. Boats shall not be entitled to redress for the following: misstatements by the RC, or failure of a boat to hear or receive a broadcast.
- 19.4.** The US Coast Guard can be hailed on VHF Channel 16 and by phone at: 631-261-6868.
- 19.5.** A boat withdrawing before the start or retiring from a race for any reason is requested to notify the RC by VHF channel 72 at the earliest possible opportunity.

20. PRIZES

- 20.1.** Prizes will be given as follows: Overall winner will receive the Commodore's Cup.
- 20.2.** Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place finishers in both divisions.

21. CONTACTS

Fleet Captain: Maryellen Rothberg, fleetcapt@lhyc.org (516) 532-8389

Protest Committee Chair: Bill Maher, protest@lhyc.org

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