

Pettipaug Yacht Club  
MC Fleet 99  
99 Bottles of BEER Regatta 2022

Sailing Instructions Rev. 1

1. RULES

- 1.1 The organizing authority for this event is MC Fleet 99.
- 1.2 The racing will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the US Sailing Prescriptions (latest editions, each) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The RC has attempted to include changes to the RRS within these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Radio communications from the Race Committee (RC) shall be made on VHF Ch. 71. Radio communications are for safety, convenience and courtesy only. Errors or omissions that may result from such communications are not grounds for protest or redress. Rule 60 is changed.
- 1.5 Sailing is a one-design class, MC Scow.
- 1.6 Appendices V, Rules V1 and V2 will be in effect, providing alternative penalties. Rule V1 (Penalty at Time of Incident) changes the first two sentences of Rule 44.1 to: "A boat may take a One-Turn penalty when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than the starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turn penalty."
- 1.7 Double and single-handed entrants are allowed.
- 1.8 Conformance to Appendix G is not required. However, identifying numbers on the mainsail is required. The identifying sail number on the mainsail must match the number on the race registration.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors may be posted on the official notice board located at PYC Clubhouse.-

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the Sailing Instructions will either be posted on the official notice board or announced before 1000H on the day of the race.
- 3.2 Changes may also be announced on VHF Ch. 71 prior to the first warning.

SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 If possible to do so before leaving the dock, the RC may indicate postponement or abandonment by displaying signals. Announcements may also be made by the RC on VHF Ch. 71.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1 The skippers' meeting will be held at 1000H on Saturday October 1st, 2022
- 5.2 The first warning signal will be at 1100H

## 6. CHECK-IN and RETIREMENT

6.1 All boats must check in with the RC prior to First Warning. Check in by passing the RC boat on her side opposite the starting line and hail the RC with the sail number of the boat.

6.2 A boat not starting shall keep clear of the starting area and boats starting.

6.3 A boat retiring from racing shall notify the RC as soon as possible by the best means available.

## 8. THE START and SEQUENCE of STARTING

8.1 The starting line area shall be set east or northeast off of PYC clubhouse.

8.2 The starting line shall be a line between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and an inflatable mark or a navigational mark.

8.3 RC shall use the Start Box Signal Device with horns as follow:

Prep: 5 blasts followed immediately by a long sound

3 minutes: 3 blasts

2 minutes: 2 blasts

1.5 minutes 1 long followed by 3 short blasts

1 minute: 1 long blasts

30 seconds: 3 blasts

20 seconds; 2 blasts

10 seconds then start: 1 short every second

8.4 Individual Recall: As a courtesy, the Race Committee will endeavor to announce the sail numbers of OCS boats on VHF Ch. 71.

## 9. THE COURSE(S)

9.1 Courses will be signaled by the Race Committee.

9.2. Windward – Leeward courses. Windward mark will be a set mark either green, orange or yellow. Off-Set mark may be used. Leeward mark will be a set mark either green, orange or yellow. Course will be either 1 or 2 upwind legs. Start/finish line is open.

9.3. Long Distance course. Windward mark is navigational red Nun # 28 located at north end of Essex harbor mooring. Leeward mark is a set mark north of PYC and west of navigational green Can #33. Course will be once around. Start/Finish line is open. Race committee can reverse course depending on wind direction.

## 16. PRIZES

16.1. Prizes will be awarded at the Awards Party commencing at 1800H or at end of racing on the day of the race.

## 17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely 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 with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.