

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - NAWILIWILI YACHT CLUB

2022 – OFFSHORE SKIPPERS CHOICE SERIES

RULES: This series of races will be governed by the RACING RULES OF SAILING (RRS) and the prescriptions of US SAILING & HYRA with NYC modifications (except as any of these are altered by these Sailing Instructions).

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS: Notice to competitors (NOR) is posted at the NYC clubhouse and on the NYC website's Racing page.

CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: Any changes to these sailing instructions will be discussed at the 0900 Skippers Meeting to be held near the 300 series dock entrance.

SCHEDULE: The dates of racing for all classes are: Saturdays, Feb 26, Apr 2, Aug 6, and Oct 1. The scheduled time for the start of each race is 1000.

RACING AREA: The Racing Area is all waters east of a line-of-sight between the G9 buoy and the west end of the commercial building on pier #2. No boat shall motor beyond this line after the 4-minute preparatory signal.

THE COURSES: The course for each of this series of races will be decided at the 0900 Skippers meeting held before each race near the 300 series dock entrance.

AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS: The following areas are designated as obstructions: The waters between the mole and imaginary lines drawn parallel to the three faces of the mole at a distance that includes #6 red buoy, all piers, breakwaters, shorelines, fishing gear, moored boats, and the 100 yard security zone surrounding docked or moving cruise ships. When a cruise ship is docked at Pier #2 the line between the fence on the mole to the northwest side of the building on Pier #3 marks the edge of the 100 yard security zone. Racing inside these areas could lead to a protest.

THE START: ALL BOATS WILL SELF START THIS SERIES OF RACES. The start line for each race will be determined at the 0900 skippers meeting

THE FINISH: The finish line for all classes will be the start line or as determined at the 0900 Skippers Meeting.

PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS: Protests shall be written on forms available from the Race Committee and turned in to any member of the Race Committee ASAP; however, no later than 2 hours after the last boat finishes the race unless extenuating circumstances exist.

SCORING: The Low Point System using HYRA prescriptions will apply. Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series. This series of 10 races (this series and the Hanalei series is combined as the Offshore Series). The number of throw outs will be determined based on the number of races held. Open Class boats will be scored in both PHRF and CLUB but boats that trophy in PHRF cannot trophy in CLUB class. CLUB ratings are determined by the HYRA Handicapping System with NYC modifications. When averaging a boat's "CLUB Adjustment" rating, the Race Committee may throw out a race it deems to be grossly inaccurate due to a boat's performance in that race. DID NOT COMPETE (DNC) = Avg. no. of starters for the series + 1. As a NYC modification, this changes RRS A4.2. Boats shall hold a current HPHRF certificate valid within the past 3 years. Boats with rating affecting modifications since their last certificate must have a current certificate. Boats without a valid HPHRF certificate will incur a 3 second adjustment on the PHRF Rating that shall be determined using all available information including, but not limited to, ratings established by another fleet, ORR and IRC certificates. Visiting boats sailing only one race will be assigned a rating based on the PHRF Valid List, or ratings established by another fleet.

SAFETY REGULATIONS: All participating boats shall monitor VHF Channel 68 during the race and shall adhere to all State and U. S. Coast Guard regulations and equipment requirements. This includes recreational crew limits imposed by the state at the start of each race due to COVID-19 measures.

PRIZES: Trophies will be awarded at the annual year-end awards party to boats in each class. The number of boats entered in each class will determine the number of trophies awarded. NYC membership is required to receive a trophy.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: Competitors participate in this race 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 in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

FURTHER INFORMATION: For other information please contact the Rear Commodore David MacAfee email: RC@nawiliwilyachtclub.org phone: (510) 473-2838.