



The Coastal Living Newport Regatta

Hosted by Sail Newport
New England's Premier One-Design Regatta
July 11 - 13, 2008
Newport, RI



MAIN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All Classes Also Check individual Division Appendices

1 RULES

The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2 ENTRIES

Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration with Sail Newport as described in the NOR.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the Hospitality Tent. Any change of course location will be made on the Official Notice Board no later than 0900 on the day that it will take effect.

4 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than 0830 on the day they will take effect except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it will take effect.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 Signal Flags will be displayed at the flagpole at the Admiral's Dock at the Sail Newport Sailing Center. Divisions 1 and 2 will have announcements made over VHF Channels as described in Divisional Appendices.

5.2 Code Flag "AP" with two sounds indicates "racing is postponed – do not leave the harbor area." No warning signal shall be made less than 60 minutes following the lowering of AP ashore (with one sound).

6 RACING CLASSES AND DIVISIONS

Friday	Sat/Sun Division 1	Sat. & Sun Division 2	Sat. & Sun Division 3	Sat. & Sun Division 4
*Melges 32	Swan 42	Melges 24	Club 420	Laser SB3
*M 30	Melges 32	Etchells	Jet 14	F 18
*Melges 24	M 30	J 24	Laser II	505
* Etchells	J105	Shields	Sunfish	RS K6/Viper 640
			Vanguard 15	
			Laser	
			Laser Radial	

* LIST FRIDAY SATURDAY SUNDAY CLASSES

RENDEZVOUS POINTS FOR CLASSES RACING FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY:

6.1 Rendezvous Locations are described in the Division Appendices.

7 SCHEDULE OF RACING

Each Division Race Committee will start as many races each day as is practical taking weather conditions into consideration, except when this is modified for a class by the Division Appendices.

- Friday: 1st Signal 1300
- Saturday/Sunday: 1st Signal 1100
- No Warning Signal shall be made after 1430 hours on Sunday for Divisions 1, 2, and 4.

- No Warning Signal shall be made after 1500 hours on Sunday for Division 3.

8 ON THE WATER CHECK IN

8.1 Before the Warning Signal for each class on each day, each boat shall sail on starboard tack past the stern of the RC Signal Boat and hail her sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

8.2 A boat failing to properly check in may be scored DNC for the first race that day. In order to be scored in subsequent races, such boats shall check in prior to the warning signal for the next race.

9 COURSES

Courses to be sailed are shown in the appropriate Division Appendix which is part of the Sailing Instructions. Such Appendix also describes; MARKS, STARTING SEQUENCE, and TIME LIMIT.

10 RECALLS

Individual Recalls: The Race Committee will attempt to hail sail numbers of premature starters. Recalls may also be announced on VHF Channels as described in the Division Appendix. The delay, failure to hail or broadcast the individual sail number of recalled boats shall not be grounds for redress. Failure to hear your number shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

Changes of course will be made in accordance with RRS 33. When in a subsequent change of course, a “change” mark is replaced, it will be replaced with an “original” mark. This alters RRS 33. In the event that a change of course is signaled for a leeward gate and the gate is not yet in place boats are to round the single “change” mark to port.

12 SUBSEQUENT RACING

If a subsequent race will be started on any day, the finish line RC Signal Boat may display Flag “second repeater”. The starting signals for any subsequent race will be made as described under the appropriate Division Appendix.

13 SCORING

13.1 The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply. A minimum of three races shall constitute a series. A boat’s worst finish may be discarded after their class has completed eight or more races. Two races may be discarded if her class completes sixteen or more races. This changes RRS A2.

13.2 For the Melges 32 Class Only: There will be one throw-out for the Melges 32 class after six or more completed races. This changes RRS A2.

13.3 For the M 30 Class Only: There will be no drop race in the series.

14 RETIRING FROM A RACE

A boat which retires shall notify the Race Committee either before leaving the course area or immediately after arriving ashore by reporting to the RC representative at Event Headquarters at the Sail Newport Main Office at 401-846-1983.

15 PENALTY SYSTEM

15.1 RRS 44.1 and RRS 44.2 will apply to all classes except as modified below.

15.2 All infringing boats (in addition to applicable reporting requirements) shall file a written declaration of the infringement and their action relative to their acceptance of a penalty on a “Penalty Acceptance Form” available from the Jury Secretary located in the Sail Newport main office.

15.3 The Penalty Acceptance Form shall be lodged with the Jury Secretary within Protest Time.

15.4 Failure to comply with the above requirements will be regarded as not having accepted the penalty.

15.5 For the Melges 32, Melges 24 and J/105 Classes Only: A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 may take a one-turn penalty, including one tack and one gybe. This changes RRS 44.1 and 44.2.

15.6 For the J/24 Class Only: A boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 may take a scoring penalty as provided in rule 44.3 and as modified as follows: The infringing boat shall conspicuously display a yellow flag (Code Flag I is acceptable) flown from the port backstay adjuster, in accordance with rule 44.3(a). Boats electing to take the scoring penalty must comply with SI 15.2 and 15.3.

16 PROTESTS

16.1 Boats in Divisions 1 and 2 shall report their intent to protest to the RC Signal Boat upon finishing, all other classes are urged to report their intent to protest to the RC Signal Boat. This modifies RRS 61.

16.2 Protests shall be made in accordance with RRS 61.

16.3 Protests shall be submitted on US SAILING Protest Forms available in the Sail Newport main office and lodged with the Jury Secretary within Protest Time.

16.4 Protest Time ends one hour following the docking of the Signal Boat for the corresponding Division. Hearing times will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

17 TRASH

Boats discharging trash on the water may be disqualified from racing.

NOTICE TO CLASSES RACING FRIDAY, JULY 11

- All Classes will race according to the Sailing Instruction Appendix applicable to DIVISION 1.

ATTENTION ALL SAILORS.

- A Reminder to Competitors that Narragansett Bay is a Restricted Channel and sailing vessels do not have right of way over a vessel under power which may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.
 - The Naval Facilities at Coddington Cove have an Exclusionary Zone marked by white navigational aids. Vessels navigating in the Exclusionary Zone may face action by Coast Guard and Naval Authorities.