



2020-2021 Frostbiting Series

American Yacht Club

Rye, NY

Notice of Race

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020.

1.2 Rules to be changed:

- a. RRS 40 “PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES” will be changed to require PFDs at all times.
- b. RRS Appendix U will be modified to allow for a 2-minute starting sequence.
- c. RRS 1.1 will be modified to further define “in danger”.
- d. RRS 23 will be modified to further define “aground”.
- e. RRS 62.1(b) will be modified to include “capsize”.
- f. Part 5 of the RRS shall be modified to allow open protest hearings and remove the requirement that protest and requests for redress be in writing.
- g. RRS 35, A4 & A5 will be changed to allow for the Race Committee to assign boats a finishing position.
- h. The definition of Zone will be modified.
- i. For the Laser class, the ILCA class rules shall not apply.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 This regatta is open to boats of the Cook 11 and Laser classes.

2.2 All competitors shall be members of American Yacht Club or Special Frostbite Members of the American Yacht Club.

2.3 All Competitors must submit a completed “AYC Frostbiting Waiver and Entry Form” to the Frostbite Chair before starting their first race of the season. Race scores will not be counted in the event that a competitor completes a race or series of races but has not submitted the “AYC Frostbiting Waiver and Entry Form”.

2.4 Boats in the Cook 11 class shall be assigned to either the “A” or “B” fleet at the discretion of the Frostbite Chair.

2.5 **Co-Skippers** - Two co-owners of the same boat may elect to be scored as one skipper for the qualification and series scoring calculations by combining race scores. This election must be made prior to the first day of racing each season and must be approved by the Frostbite Chair.

3 FEES

Fees will be \$300 for regular AYC members and \$400 for AYC Special Frostbite Members.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 First Warning signal is scheduled for 1330 each day.

4.2 Practice Day is on November 1.

4.3 Fall Series:

November 8, 15, 22

November 29 - Turkey Distance Race (included in season scores)

December 6, 13

December 20 – Under 25 Regatta (included in season scores)

December 27

Winter Series:

January 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

February 7, 14

Spring Series:

February 21, 28

March 7, 14, 21, 28

April 11

4.4 Women’s Regatta is on December 5 (not included in overall season scores).

5 MEASUREMENTS

Cook 11 class boats shall be subject to weighing at the discretion of the Frostbite Chair and/or the Protest Committee. For the Cook 11 class only, the combined weight of a competitor dressed for sailing and their hull shall not be less than three hundred and twenty-five (325) pounds, subject to a maximum of fifty (50) pounds of additional ballast.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions shall be available for download from the AYC website at www.americanyc.org, distributed via email and will be available in the JAYC house before the first day of racing.

7 RACING AREA

Races shall take place inside and just outside of Milton Harbor.

8 COURSES

Course shall be windward-leeward, either once or twice around. From time to time the Race Committee may set a “special course” which may include government marks, club docks, or other objects.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10 PRIZES

10.1 For the Cook 11 class, prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in both the A and B fleets shall be awarded for each series, Fall, Winter, and Spring as well as the overall series. The Commodore Malcolm D. Clarke Jr. Trophy shall be awarded to the winner of the overall series in the Cook 11 class.

10.2 For the Laser class, prizes shall be awarded at the discretion of the Frostbite Chair.

10.3 All prizes shall be awarded at the annual frostbiting dinner.

11 SCORING

11.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

11.2 *Daily Scoring*

The Low Point System as defined in Appendix A4 shall be used for daily scoring. In Rule A4.2, “number of boats entered in the

series” is deleted and replaced with “maximum number of boats that started any race during that day”. Only for daily scoring, the term “series” shall be defined as all races completed that day. A boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 *Series Scoring*

Each Series of Fall, Winter, and Spring will be scored as well as the overall series. Participation in at least 50% of official races sailed is required to qualify for a series. To qualify for the season, a skipper must sail at least 50% of the races sailed during the season. All races started must be counted except when a boat capsizes or breaks down because of the action of another boat that was breaking a rule of Part 2, and when the protest committee decides that the boat is entitled to redress under rule 62, that score may be excluded.

11.4 *Calculating Series Percentages*

1. For each race started on a particular race day, a skipper has a PS (Points Scored), which is their finishing position, and a PPR (Possible Points for that Race) which is the maximum number of boats that started any race during that day plus one point, under the low-point system. The PPR shall not be less than 7 for any race, regardless of the number of boats that started.
2. At the end of a Series, add a skipper's PSs and separately add their PPRs to get the Series totals. From the total PS, deduct one point for each race started to get the skipper's CPS (Corrected Points Scored).
3. Divide the CPS by the total PPR to get a low percentage. Subtract this from 1.000 to arrive at the skipper's high series percentage.

11.5 *Race Committee Duty*

For purposes of qualification, for both a series and a season, a participant who is acting as, or assisting the Race Committee, will be counted as having sailed on that day in each of the races sailed. The participant's score will not be affected.

12 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member

agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf (“Releasers”) that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water. Releasers also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death, whether by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasers forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasers now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf (“Releasees”), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasers’ participation in such sailing events. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasers agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

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