Naples Model Yacht Club Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions: Winter Series 2021 September 1, 2020

1.0 Rules

The series will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, appendix E for RC sailing, rules of each class organization, and these Sailing Instructions.

2.0 Eligibility

The series is open to boats that meet the class rules, and to sailors who are current members of NMYC and the American Model Yachting Association. The following classes of boats are eligible: Soling 1m; DragonFlite 95; DragonForce 65; Seawind; EC 12.

3.0 Race Management

Each sailor is expected to share the responsibilities for race management during the season. Sailors will be selected to serve as a Race Director or Assistant Race Director for fleets other than those in which they race. It is the responsibility of the appointed sailor to find an alternate if they are not able to serve on their appointed date.

4.0 Changes to Sailing Instructions

Changes to these Sailing Instructions may be made in writing or verbally at any time by the race committee

5.0 Schedule of Races

- 5.1 Racing will be conducted in accordance with the master season race schedule maintained on the NMYC website and communicated with members via email. This includes start times, fleets, location, and designated race committee.
- 5.2 A competitors meeting will be held 15 minutes before the first warning to communicate the course for the first race and other information.
- 5.3 A minimum of five boats must start the first heat for the day to be scored.
- 5.4 After the first four heats have been completed, a 5 minute intermission will be held to allow for any boat tuning. The RD may elect to have the intermission after 2 or 3 heats based on conditions. No other delays will be granted for boat tuning during the heats.

6.0 The Course

The course(s) will be verbal and/or displayed on a course board by the race committee.

7.0 The Start

- 7.1 Heats will be started via a recorded 1 minute countdown sequence
- 7.2 Starts will be in accordance with RRS 26 as modified by E3.4. (Standard starting procedure; "dip starts" allowed.) RRS 30.1 (I flag, round the ends rule) *may* be invoked at the discretion of the RD and/or fleet captain for some or all heats of the day.
- 7.3 The starting line will be on the course side of the starting marks
- 7.4 Prior to a warning signal, a racer may request the Race Director to delay the starting sequence for a maximum of 5 minutes to repair a technical problem or breakdown. Each boat may be granted 1 such delay per day. Delays for tuning or adjusting rigs will not be granted.

8.0 Finish

The finish line will be on the course side of the finishing marks.

9.0 Penalty System

- 9.1 A boat touching a mark as defined by RRS 31, shall take a penalty turn as required by RRS 44
- 9.2 The penalty for a rules infraction is one turn (one tack and one gybe) in accordance with RRS 44 and E4.3. "After getting well clear of other boats as soon after the incident as possible, a boat takes a one turn penalty...."

10.0 Protests

A boat protesting another boat while sailing shall hail the other boat, as this example: #07 protests #46; #07 protest #46

11.0 Scoring

- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System RRS A4 will be used for each day of racing
- 11.2 Six heats are required to be completed to constitute a race day
- 11.3 Total heats scored will be a maximum of 12 with one throwout if 6 heats have been completed, and two throwouts if 12 heats have been completed.
- 11.2 Season championships will be held for any class with two competing fleets. This championship race will be held at the end of the normal season and before the NMYC annual meeting.

12.0 Prizes

Prizes will be awarded at the end of the season

13.0 Disclaimer of Liability

Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

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