

Sailing Instruction

Home to Home Regatta Pursuit Race 2017

Richmond County Yacht Club



Miramar Yacht Club

1.0 Rules:

1.1 The Miramar YC / Richmond County YC Home and Home Regatta Pursuit Race will be governed by the 2016-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing, the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, these Sailing Instructions, the Notice of Race and any amendments. This is a “club” event with other yacht clubs’ members invited to participate.

1.2 Each yacht, in addition to all federal and state required equipment, shall have a VHF radio aboard and shall keep the radio energized on the Race Committee working channel, VHF channel 78, from her warning signal until her finish. Except in an emergency or when communicating directly to a committee boat, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

1.3 Note: The Race Course requires yachts to cross the Ambrose Channel, the Chapel Hill Channel and, perhaps, the Swash Channel. Sailors must comply with the International COLREGS when in proximity to commercial or privileged marine traffic.

2.0 Notices

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted at the Skippers’ Meeting at the Richmond County Yacht Club.

3.0 Amendments

3.1 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted at the Skippers’ Meeting at the Richmond County Yacht Club. The Race Committee shall endeavor to announce posted amendments on VHF channel 78 at 1130 hours on Saturday, August 12th. It is recommended that yachts monitor channel 78 throughout the race day.

4.0 Signals

4.1 All signals shall be made aboard the designated Richmond County YC Committee Boat on station approx. 0.5 nm South West from the Great Kills Bug Light 40°30.93’N, 74°08.35’W

5.0 Schedule of Races

5.1 In accordance with the dates and times listed in Notice of Race.

6.0 Racing Area

6.1 Yachts will rendezvous in the starting line area South West from the Great Kills Bug Light. The course continues in an easterly direction leaving the Great Kills Light to the finish line between Government Mark ‘GC1’ Sheepshead Bay Channel; location approx. 0.5 nm South West from Kingsborough College.

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7.0 Course

7.1 The starting line will be between the Richmond County Yacht Club burgee on the Richmond County YC Committee Boat, 36ft Chris Craft trawler named SaBaba, skippered by Cy Farkas and yellow pin, location approx. 0.5 nm South West from the Great Kills Bug Light.

7.2 The course continues in an easterly direction leaving the Great Kills Light and the Swinburne Island to port, to the finish line between Government Mark 'GC1' Sheepshead Bay Channel and the mast of the Miramar YC Committee Boat which will fly a Miramar YC burgee and blue RC flag indicating that it is on station; location approx. 0.5 nm South West from Kingsborough College Tower or 0.35 nm North West from Sewer Plant Tower in the Rockaway Channel.

7.3 GPS entries:

- Starting Position 40°30.93'N, 74°08.35'W
- True Course 071°
- Distance: 10 nm
- Finishing Position 40°34.07'N, 73°56. 22'W

8.0 The Start

8.1 The boat with the highest numerical PHRF rating will start first and the boat with the lowest numerical PHRF rating will start last. The time differentials, which will be rounded to the nearest minute, between the start for the first boat and all pursuing boats will be provided at the Skippers' Meeting. Boats will be scored in the order of finish.

8.2 The starting line will be between the Richmond County Yacht Club burgee on the Richmond County YC Committee Boat, 36ft Chris Craft trawler named SaBaba and yellow pin, location approx. 0.5 nm South West from the Great Kills Bug Light (40°30.93'N, 74°08.35'W)

8.3 An on the water check in prior to 1245 hours is required. Yachts may check in with the Race Committee by either passing close aboard the RCYC RC Boat or by communicating with the Race Committee on VHF channel 78. Yachts that have not checked in by 1245 hours, but still wish to race, must call the RCYC RC at 917-887-6017 prior to their starts.

8.4 Competitors may operate propulsion engines up until four minutes before their scheduled start. This modifies RRS 42.1.

8.5 The Class Flag shall be numerical Flag 1. The preparatory signal shall be the Flag P. Boats over early shall be signaled on VHF channel 78 and with one long sound signal. Your starting position and time differential shall be provided at the Skippers' Meeting. The start sheet also will be available via email. Competitors are encouraged to provide an email address on their entry forms. Each competitor is responsible for determining his/her start time.

8.6 The starting signals are the sequence for the first boat to start and begin the countdown for all pursuing boats.

8.7 Time shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded and shall not be grounds for a protest.

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8.8 Time of Signals: The general warning signal and each successive signal shall be based on GPS time. Saturday, August 12th, 2017 , Start @ 13:00

Time	Flag	Sound Signal
1254 (6 minutes)	none	multiple short horn blasts
1255 (5 minutes)	#1 Flag up	1 horn
1256 (4 minutes)	P Flag up	1 horn
1259 (1 minute)	P Flag down	1 horn
1300 (0 minutes)	#1 Flag down	1 long horn – First start.

All time differentials are from this time.

8.9 The Race Committee is permitted to postpone the start in 10 minutes' increments. If the race is postponed, the time of postponement in minutes is added to each yacht's starting time. The postponement signal is the AP Flag.

8.10 Yachts shall keep clear of the starting area until 5 minutes before their respective starting signals.

8.11 It is responsibility of each competitor to determining his/her start time.

9.0 Recalls

9.1 Individual recalls will be made via channel 78 and with one long blast.

10.0 The Finish

10.1 Finish line between Government Mark 'GC1' Sheepshead Bay Channel and the mast of the Miramar YC Committee Boat which will fly a Miramar YC burgee and blue RC flag indicating that it is on station; location approx. 0.5 nm South West from Kingsborough College Tower or 0.35 nm North West from Sewer Plant Tower in the Rockaway Channel. (40°34.07'N, 73°56. 22'W)

11.0 Time Limit

11.1 The first boat to finish must do so by 1700 (or 1700 plus any postponement period). The Committee Boat will leave station at 17:15. Any yacht finishing after the RC Boat leaves station must record its own time.

11.2 Any yacht retiring from the race must notify the Race Committee on channel 78 or by cell phone on 917-887-6017 or 917-816-1783

12.0 Protests

12.1 In addition to the requirements of RRS rule 61.0, protesting yachts must notify the finish side Race Committee (MYC) on channel 78 of their intentions to protest immediately after finishing the race.

12.2 Protests shall be written and submitted to the Regatta Chairman at Miramar Yacht Club within no later than 18:30 Saturday August 12th.

12.3 Notice of protests will be posted on the MYC Bulletin Board.

12.4 Protest hearings will be convened as soon as reasonable.

For more information contact:

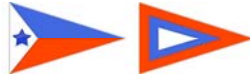
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13.0 Prizes and Awards

13.1 Prizes shall be awarded at Miramar Yacht Club during the dinner following the race.

13.2 Prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third place finishers in each division if there are 7 or more racers starting in the division. If there are 4 to 6 starters, 1st and 2nd place prizes will be awarded. If there are only 3 starters, the 1st place prize will be awarded

13.3 Awards are at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.

14.0 Disposal of Trash

14.1 Yachts discharging trash overboard shall be disqualified from the race.

15.0 Liability Waiver

15.1 Each eligible yacht must file the attached liability waiver with the organizing authority of this regatta before the start of the race to qualify for the finish of this race.

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