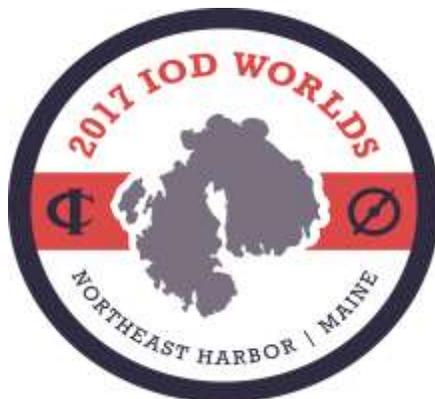


The 2017 International One Design Class World Championship

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Organized by the Northeast Harbor IOD Class and The Northeast Harbor Fleet



1 RULES

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

1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing will not apply except its prescriptions at rule 61.4 (Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress) and its prescriptions to rules 60.3(b), 67 (Damages) and 76.1 (Exclusion of Boats or Competitors), which will be attached to these sailing instructions in their entirety.

1.3 [The IOD World Class Association Championship Regulations](#) will apply.

1.4 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply as changed: At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add:

(c) If a protest is not withdrawn after arbitration, the arbitrator will not be a member of the panel that hears the protest but will be permitted to observe the testimony presented and offer evidence. This changes rule 63.3(a).

1.5 An international jury will be appointed in accordance with Appendix N. The decisions of the jury, as provided in rule 70.5, will be final.

1.6 RRS 62.1 and RRS 62.2 are changed as shown below.

RRS 62.1 is changed by adding:

(e) physical damage not falling within rule 62.1(b) which was due to defective supplied equipment and which a reasonably competent crew would not have been able to avoid or promptly repair.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 The official notice board will be located immediately adjacent to the Flagpole at The Northeast Harbor Fleet. Notices will also be posted on the regatta website at nehfleet.org

2.2 The race committee will use US VHF Ch. 65 to communicate with competitors.

3 **CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day it takes effect except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 or the protest time limit, whichever is earlier, on the day before it takes effect.

4 **SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

4.1 Signals made ashore will be made at the Fleet flagpole.

4.2 Flag AP with two sounds means 'The warning signal will be made not less than 90 minutes after flag AP is lowered'. Boats are requested to not leave the harbor until Flag AP is lowered with one sound.

5 **SCHEDULE**

Sunday, August 20

0830 – 1000 Registration at NEHF
1030 – 1130 Draw for boats/Competitors Meeting
1400 Practice Race
1830 Welcome Reception @ NEHF

Monday, August 21

1000 1st Warning Signal Racing all day
1830 Open Bar & Appetizers @ Isleford Dock

Tuesday, August 22

1000 1st Warning Signal Racing all day
1830 Dinner, Music, Dancing @ Seal Harbor YC

Wednesday, August 23

1000 Annual General Meeting IOD WCA Spare Day/Night to Explore Acadia.
Schedule may be changed by the RC to accommodate weather conditions.

Thursday, August 24

1000 1st Warning Signal Racing all day
1830 BBQ Dinner, Dancing @ Hinckley Yachts

Friday, August 25

1000 1st Warning Signal
1430 No races will start after this time
1830 Farewell Dinner @ Bar Harbor Club

5.1 Twelve races are scheduled, of which four must be completed to constitute a series.

5.2 No more than three races will be sailed on any one day.

5.3 Launch service is available from 0830 to 1800 daily.

6 RACING AREA

6.1 Racing will be conducted in the waters of the Great Harbor, the Western Way, the Eastern Way, Somes Sound, and waters surrounding Mount Desert Island.

6.2 The race committee will broadcast on VHF Ch. 65 the starting area for the first race of the day starting at 0900 on each race day. This starting area will also be posted by 0900 each race day.

7 COURSES

Courses will be displayed on a rack located on the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to the Warning signal, with the first mark to be rounded on top. Marks shall be rounded to port, unless the letter "S", indicating "Round this specific mark to Starboard" is placed beside the mark letter. Courses may include turns around islands and shoals as well as government marks and/or NEH Fleet marks. See Mark Descriptions for Racing.

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8 MARKS

An inflatable offset portable mark will be in place for the **first rounding** of the first weather mark. Boats shall pass the weather mark and then the offset mark that will be set laterally from the weather mark. For all subsequent roundings, the offset mark is not a mark of the course. Offset marks will not be in place at a windward gate.

9 GOVERNMENT BUOYS AND AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

All government buoys shall be honored **except** Fleet Marks E, I, P, R, Q unless they are a designated turning mark for that leg of the course. (Every Porsche Is Really Quick). [The Race Mark Chart](#) will be provided for each entry and supplemental laminated versions of same will be available at the Fleet House anytime.

10 STARTING

Races will be started using RRS 26 with an attention tone made one minute prior to the 5 minute warning signal. The warning signal will be the IOD Class Emblem.

- a.** The starting line will be between the Race Committee Signal Boat mast displaying an orange flag and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- b.** A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11 CHANGE OF COURSE

A change of course will be signaled by a Race Committee boat before the first boat begins the next leg of the course. The new course will be displayed by the RC and broadcast on VHF CH 65.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee Boat and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1, Taking a Penalty, is changed as follows:

A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing. She may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken rule 31. However, (a) when a boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 and rule 31 in the same incident she need not take the penalty for breaking rule 31; (b) if the boat caused injury or serious damage or, despite taking a penalty, gained a significant advantage in the race or series by her breach her penalty shall be to retire.

14 TIME LIMITS

14.1 The time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish shall be 2.5 hours from the starting signal.

14.2 Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes shall be scored Did not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REDRESS REQUESTS

15.1 Protest forms are available at the RC boat Shearwater or from the jury at The Northeast Harbor Fleet House

15.2 The protest time limit is 45 minutes after the RC boat docks, which time will be posted.

15.3 Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the protest room at the Fleet House.

15.4 On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

16 SCORING

16.1 The Low Point System of Appendix A will apply except that race scores accrue to a team, not to a boat. This changes rule A2.

16.2 Four races are required to be completed to constitute a series. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

17 SAFETY

17.1 All entries are strongly advised to monitor US Channel VHF 65 throughout the race and while on the water during the race day.

17.2 All personnel under the age of 18 and all personnel who are sailing with two or fewer people on board shall wear a Type III or Type V PFD while racing.

17.3 Boats are equipped with a means of retrieval for a person overboard. These ladders shall remain with the boat during boat rotations.

17.4 A competitor shall not fly a spinnaker when code flags H over A are displayed at the warning signal or when the code flags are displayed with repetitive sounds at a turning mark. When code flags H over L are displayed with repetitive sounds at a turning mark, spinnakers may thereafter be flown.

18 BREAKDOWNS AND EQUIPMENT REDRESS

A competitor shall fly a yellow flag on their backstay as soon practicable after they experience a breakdown that affects their finish position. All competitors are required to attempt to remedy the situation and continue racing if there is no likelihood of further damage to the boat or injury to the crew. Tearing sails, dropping poles overboard, or breaking pole end fittings shall be specifically exempted from relief. The Northeast Harbor IOD Class Boatswain as a member of the Race Committee shall be a party to a hearing on these matters of equipment redress.

19 BOAT ASSIGNMENTS and ROTATIONS

At 1030 on Sunday, August 20, teams shall draw for the boats they will sail in the series. The spinnaker drawn at the boat draw will stay with the team throughout the series. If a team is not present, the RC will draw their boat assignments on their behalf. Northeast Harbor helmspersons shall not be allowed to sail in their own personal boats.

20 BOATS and EQUIPMENT

The rules for boats and equipment described in the notice of race shall apply.

21 DAMAGE REPORTS and PENALTIES

21.1 Each skipper shall complete and submit a damage report for each boat they sailed after each day of competition. The reports shall be submitted to the NEH representative at the Protest Desk within the protest time limit.

21.2 If damage needs to be addressed on the water during a boat rotation the skipper shall clearly describe the damage to the NEH Fleet boatswain in the rotation boat.

21.3 The damage report will comprise a declaration signed by the skipper accurately describing any damage, however minor. Missing, incomplete, or inaccurate damage reports will be penalized by the jury up to and including disqualification from one or more races.

22 SPARE BOATS and DAMAGE

22.1 The NEH Fleet will supply at least one spare boat.

22.2 The NEH Fleet will withdraw damaged boats from the rotation, allocate the spare boat(s) and adjust the rotation sequence at its sole discretion unless and until the damaged boat(s) become available.

22.3 If there are more damaged boats than available spare boats:

(a) If damage that caused a boat to be withdrawn from the rotation has been attributed to a team by the jury, then that team shall not compete in any further races until the damaged boat or a replacement boat becomes available. That team will be scored DNC for all missed races.

(b) If the damage that caused a boat to be withdrawn from the rotation was not completely and accurately reported on a damage report, the last team to use the damaged boat shall not compete in any further races until the damaged boat or a replacement boat becomes available. That team will be scored DNC for all missed races.

(c) A team scheduled to sail a boat that has been withdrawn and not replaced by a spare boat will receive redress, defined as the average of all races sailed in the Championship, for all races missed.

22.4 If a boat incurs a breakdown during a race through no fault of the team sailing her, that team may file for redress in accordance with SI 1.6 and rule 62.

23 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats, except for emergencies. This restriction also applies to cellular telephones and other electronic devices. Boats are advised that any RC radio communications are unofficial and are made either for race management purposes or as a courtesy to the competitors. As such, the race committee's use, or lack thereof, of radio communications shall not be grounds for redress.

24 PRIZES

Championship and perpetual prizes will be awarded as described in the notice of race.