



**Hyannis Yacht Club
Weir Wolf Race
September 1, 2023**

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SIs)

Hyannis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 RRS 44.1 is changed as follows: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or Rule 31 in an incident while racing.

1.3 Specific attention is directed to the following Fundamental Rules.

1.3.1 RRS 3 - Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision

to participate in a race or to continue *racing* is hers alone.

1.3.2 RRS 1.1 - Helping Those in Danger. A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted not less than two hours before the Warning Signal of the first race on the day it will take effect. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect.

2.2 Oral changes to a sailing instruction may be made by the Race Committee on the water by hailing each vessel via VHF radio channel 68. Each boat shall confirm with the Race Committee that they received the change.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the southwest corner of the HYC patio.

3.2 On the water, the Race Committee will communicate with competitors via VHF radio channel 68.

3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at HYC yardarm located on the mid-tee.

4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes.'

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1	DATE	CLASS	WARNING
	September 1, 2023	All	1800

5.2 One race is scheduled.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 Class flags are:

CLASS	FLAG
Class A Spinnaker	A
Class D Non-Spinnaker	D

7 RACING AREA

7.1 The racing area is Nantucket Sound.

7.2 The start of the race will be south of the Hyannis Port Breakwater and west of buoy "HH".

8 COURSES

8.1 There will be two possible courses, with a distance of 9 – 13 miles.

8.1.1 Course 1

MARK	DESCRIPTION
G "5"	North of Horseshoe Shoal – To Port
RN "4"	West of Bishop and Clerks – To Port
Finish	Between RC Signal Boat and "HH" Buoy

8.1.2 Course 2

MARK	DESCRIPTION
G "5"	North of Horseshoe Shoal – To Port
Finish	Between RC Signal Boat and "HH" Buoy

8.2 The Race Committee signal boat shall post the course to be sailed and announce that information on VHF radio channel 68 approximately five minutes before the warning signal.

8.3 All marks shall be rounded to port.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks are government and drop marks that are identified in paragraphs 8.1.1. and 8.1.2.

10 THE START

10.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other classes.

10.3 If any part of a boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at her starting signal and she is identified, the Race Committee will attempt to hail her sail number on VHF channel 68. Failure to hail her number, failure of her to hear such a hail, or the order in which boats are hailed will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

10.4 A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 THE FINISH

11.1 The finish line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

11.2 The finishing time of the vessel shall be recorded in GPS time format Hours:Minutes:Seconds HH:MM:SS.

12 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

12.1 The Mark 1 Time Limit, Race Time Limit (see RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below.

Mark 1 Time Limit	Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
60 minutes	120 minutes	30 minutes

12.2 If no boat has passed the first mark within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race will be abandoned.

12.3 The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

12.4 The Race Committee may finish a vessel in place for a score equivalent to last place.

12.5 Failure to meet a Target Time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13 HEARING REQUESTS

- 13.1** A boat intending to submit a Protest Hearing Request must notify the Race Committee on the Committee Boat by VHF 68 immediately after finishing and clearing the finish line.
- 13.2** Fillable Hearing Request Forms are available outside the race management office at Hyannis Yacht Club.
- 13.3** The protest time limit is one hour after Signal Boat docks.
- 13.4** Request Forms should be hand-delivered to the PRO.
- 13.5** Parties to the Hearing Request will be notified by the Race Management Committee of the Hearing scheduled date, time and location as soon as reasonably practicable.

14 SCORING

- 14.1** RRS A5.3 will apply.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 15.1** Required Report: Any boat that withdraws from the race shall promptly inform the Race Committee on VHF channel 68 or by cell phone. Such boat shall continue to attempt to contact the Race Committee until the Race Committee has acknowledged the boat's withdrawal.
- 15.2** Each boat shall communicate with the Race Committee by hail on VHF channel 68, or by the cell phone number of the PRO listed on the scratch sheets.
- 15.3** Each boat shall contact the Race Committee by hail or by VHF channel 68 in the starting area prior to the warning signal for its class to check in and receive acknowledgement from the Race Committee of its presence and intent to race.
- 15.4** Each boat shall report the number of persons on board at check-in.
- 15.5** Each boat shall maintain a watch on VHF Channel 68.
- 15.6** Each boat shall keep a cell phone "on" with an audible ring and ready to be answered. This shall be the cell phone with the number given at registration.

- 15.7** A boat may run her engine in neutral for the sole purpose of charging her batteries.
- 15.8** Each person on board shall have at minimum a whistle/noise making device and, one of the following: waterproof flashlight in good working order, glow stick with light duration of 8 hours.
- 15.9** Each boat must have their navigation lights "ON" when checking in with the Race Committee.
- 16** **EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS**
- 16.1** A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions.
- 17** **PRIZES**
- 17.1** Prizes will be given in each class depending on the number of boats registered for each class.
- 18** **FURTHER INFORMATION**
- 18.1** For further information please contact:
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