

Sou'wester Regatta

Beverly Yacht Club

September 7, 2020

1. General

The Regatta includes a pursuit race for PHRF and larger one design sailboats, and special races for small one design sailboats (Bullseyes and H-12s).

SPINNAKERS **ARE** PERMITTED.

2. Eligibility

The Sou'wester Regatta pursuit race is open to all single-hull sailboats. A current, valid PHRF certificate is required for all PHRF sailboats. Yachts with other rating certificates may apply to the club measurer for an unofficial rating. A yacht or class fleet with a provisional certificate or unofficial rating must submit to the Race Committee a request in writing for permission to participate in the Pursuit Race. A preliminary list of accepted One Design Class PHRF NE Base Ratings exists for: Shields, J/22s, J/24s, J/70s, and J/80s. The Race Committee, at its sole discretion, may allow or not allow a yacht/Class with a provisional certificate or unofficial rating to participate in the race.

Bullseyes and H-12s are eligible for the one design races.

3. Entry Deadline

Online registration on Regatta Network for the PHRF fleets must be completed by 0900 on September 6, 2020. Bullseyes and H-12s will register by checking in with the Race Committee boat on the water.

Scratch sheets will be available through the registrant's email, no later than 0900 on the day of the race.

4. Start

The start will be in the vicinity of Sippican Harbor Lighted Red Buoy "2" (Fl R) at Centerboard Shoal (BYC mark "G").

The first warning signal for the PHRF and larger one design sailboats will be at 1155.

4.1 Starting procedures - Pursuit races: This changes RRS 26.

PURSUIT STARTING PROCEDURE (This changes RRS 26)			
Signal	Flag	Sound	Minutes before and after starting signal
	Orange when signal boat is on station		
Warning	Course designation and "F" flag displayed	1 sound	-5
Preparatory	"P" flag	1 sound	-4
One-minute	"P" flag removed	1 long sound	-1
First boat(s) starting	"F" flag removed	1 sound; announced on VHF ch. 72	0
Subsequent Starts	None	1 sound; announced on VHF ch. 72	Posted on scratch sheet

- (a) This is a pursuit start. The first warning will be at 1155. The first start will be at 1200. The signal boat will be using GPS time.
- (b) The first boat(s) to start will be allocated minute zero in accordance with RRS 26.
- (c) Succeeding boats will be allocated a start time (rounded to the nearest minute) based on their handicap. Those times will be listed on the scratch sheet, which will be available at the Club at 0900, and sent to registered skippers via the email they used for registration.
- (d) The starting line is closed to all boats until one minute prior to their assigned start time.
- (e) The Race Committee will attempt to alert the fleet of impending starts on VHF ch. 72.
- (f) Competitors shall actively monitor VHF ch. 72 for communications from the race committee.

4.2 Postponing Pursuit Races

- (a) Postponement of pursuit races shall be in accordance with RRS 27.3.
- (b) If a postponement is necessary, the race committee will signal postponements in multiples of 10-minute intervals and will advise the fleet accordingly via VHF ch. 72.
- (c) In the event of a postponement, boats will start at their allocated number of minutes after the new minute zero. The start sheet will not be reprinted; it is the boat's responsibility to figure out their new start time. Boats will be advised of the rescheduled start time via VHF ch.72.

4.3 Individual recalls - Pursuit races

- (a) There shall be no individual recalls. This changes RRS 28.2 and RRS 29.1.
- (b) Boats who have started earlier than their start will have that amount of time added to their elapsed time, as well as a further 10% time penalty.

4.4 General recalls - Pursuit races

There shall be no general recalls. This changes RRS 29.2

4.5 Scoring - Pursuit Races

One race is scheduled. Boats will be scored in their finish place.

4.6 Starting One Designs

The first warning signal for one design boats (Bullseyes, and H-12s) will be at 1330. Races will be started using RRS 26.

5 Courses

The courses will be as described on the scratch sheet or displayed on the committee boat.

6 Time Limits

The time limit for boats sailing the pursuit race is 5 hours. The time limit for one design boats is 3 hours

7 Prizes

There will be no prizes awarded.