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2018 GENERAL NOTICE OF RACES - PACIFIC NORTHWEST MODEL YACHT CLUB Rev: 03/13/2018

1 RULES

1.1 PNMYPC-sponsored races will be governed by the *rules* as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 The Organizing Authority is Pacific Northwest MYC.

2 This Notice modifies Racing Rules of Sailing 18.1(a), 31, and Appendices A2, E3.4, E8 and G1:

2.1 Boats **may touch marks** of the course while racing. This deletes RRS 31.

2.2 One **worst score** will be excluded from a boat's total score for every **three races** scored. In **seasonal series**, one worst day's score will be excluded for every **three race days** scored. This modifies RRS A2.

2.3 Class- or PNMYPC-posted sail identification schemes (contrasting, bold, narrow, min. 3" high) are permitted. This modifies App. E8 (4" high) and G1."

2.4 The Additional Penalty of RRS E4.3(b) shall be interpreted as requiring **additional turns** while significant advantage remains.

3 This Notice of Races modifies T-37 Class Rules:

3.1 To prevent damage to other boats, each boat shall mount a resilient **bow bumper** from the deck down to 5/8" above an extension of the hull bottom plane. Two layers of foam mounting tape meet the resilience requirement.

3.2, 3.3 [Deleted 2018*] (shrouds, rudder)

3.4 Jib booms and **jib boom counterweights** shall be blunt forward and shall not extend beyond the bow.

3.5, 3.6, 3.7 [Deleted 2018*] (vangs, booms, lifts)

3.8 The **base of the mast** shall be stepped in the bottom of the boat and may be manually adjustable fore and aft.

3.9 There shall be only **one mast hole** through the deck. It shall be non-adjustable and fitted to the outside diameter of the mast or mast tube.

3.10, 3.11 [Deleted 2018*] (keel web, weight)

3.12 **Removable ballast** is permitted within or above the hull. Such ballast may be altered between races.

4 CHANGES TO NOTICE OF RACE

4.1 Changes to the Notice of Race shall be posted on the expanded PNMYPC.org website.

4.2 The posted PNMYPC racing schedule and venues may be changed from time to time.

5 ELIGIBILITY

5.1 Races are open to all T-37 Class-legal sloops and to those modified only as permitted in this Notice of Races.

5.2 Some events in the PNMYPC schedule may require an entry fee. Some events may require paid PNMYPC membership, paid AMYA T37 boat registration, and/or AMYA membership. Memberships in both PNMYPC and AMYA are encouraged. Find forms at PNMYPC.org and theAMYA.org.

6 REQUIREMENTS AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

6.1 **Competitors in PNMYPC events participate entirely at their own risk.** See RRS 4, Decision to Race. **Responsibility for a competitor's decision to attend or participate in a race or to continue attending or racing is his alone.**

6.2 **The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host clubs, sponsors, any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or property nor for the injury, including death, to any competitor sustained as a result of participation in this event.**

6.3 **By participating in any PNMYPC event, each competitor agrees to release the Pacific Northwest Model Yacht Club; its members and officers; Seattle Yacht Club and other participating clubs; the American Model Yachting Association; the race organizers and officials; and the municipality, county, and/or other owner of the sailing venue from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation to the fullest extent permitted by law.**

* Deleted from NOR in 2018 because now covered by Class Rules



2018 GENERAL SAILING INSTRUCTIONS - PACIFIC NORTHWEST MODEL YACHT CLUB Rev: 03/13/2018

1. RULES:

1.1 PNMYS-sponsored races will be governed by the *rules* as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.2 Entry is open to all class-legal T-37 sloops and to those modified only as permitted in the Notice of Race.

1.3 These Sailing Instructions **modify RRS** 18.1(a), 26, 28, 31, 41, 90.2, A2, E3.4, E4.2, E6.5, E8, G1 and Class Rules.

1.4 Boats **may touch marks** of the course while racing.

This deletes RRS 31.

2 RACING, LAUNCHING, AND CONTROL AREAS

2.1 The PRO will designate the racing, launching, and control areas before the Warning Signal of the first race, and if changed, before the subsequent Warning Signal.

3 COURSES, MARKS, AND OBSTRUCTIONS

3.1 The PRO will describe the course to be sailed and the marks of the course before the Warning Signal.

3.2 The race committee may designate areas and features as Obstructions under rule 19.

4 LAUNCH AND RE-LAUNCH, OUTSIDE HELP

4.1 Boats launching or re-launching after the One-Minute Preparatory Signal may only be lowered to the water and then released or pushed by hand grasping only the mast, mainsail, and/or stays; and only above the top of the jib.

4.2 A boat disabled by entanglement, grounding, or temporary loss of radio control may receive outside assistance from any source equally available to all competitors and may then continue in the race. A boat that thus gains a significant advantage shall take a Penalty or Penalties in accordance with RRS E4.3 or retire. This adds to RRS 41, E2.3, and E4.2.

5 THE START AND THE FINISH

5.1 The start sequences of races or heats may be:

- a hailed Warning Signal one minute or less before the Preparatory Signal,
- an audible Preparatory Signal at one minute,
- audible signals counting down to the start,
- an audible start signal.

This modifies RRS 26 and E3.4(a).

5.2 The starting line and finishing line will be described verbally by the race committee.

6 SCORING, PENALTIES, PROTESTS, REDRESS

6.1 One worst score will be excluded from a boat's total score for every three races scored. In seasonal series, one worst day's score will be excluded for every three race days scored. This modifies RRS A2.

6.2 In a race conducted in **heats**, a boat that does not start **within two minutes** after her starting signal shall be scored DNS or OCS.

6.3 The race committee may score boats lagging behind the fleet as finished-in-place. This modifies RRS 28.

6.4 The One-Turn Penalty E4.3 shall be interpreted as requiring **additional turns** while significant advantage remains.

6.5 Protests and Requests for Redress shall be submitted in writing to the PRO not more than 10 minutes after the last race of the morning or afternoon session in which the incident occurred. This modifies RRS E6.5.

7 OPERATING REQUIREMENTS AND DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

7.1 Competitors in PNMYS events participate entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race.

Responsibility for a competitor's decision to attend or participate or to continue attending or participating is his alone.

7.2 The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host clubs, sponsors, any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury, including death, to any competitor sustained as a result of participation in this event.

7.3 By participating in any PNMYS event, each competitor agrees to release the Pacific Northwest Model Yacht Club; its members and officers; Seattle Yacht Club and other participating clubs; the American Model Yachting Association; the race organizers and officials; and the municipality, county, and/or other owner of the sailing venue from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation to the fullest extent permitted by law.