



Notice to Competitors

2020-10-08-1

Twilight Sailing Reminders

Skippers of boats competing in the MHYC Thursday Twilight Series are reminded of the following rules:

Crew Registration

- The Notice to Competitors 2020-09-05-1 adds NOR 11.7: All boats are required to register their crew for each race via Top Yacht, providing crew names and Australian Sailing Numbers (or SailPass number). The penalty for not registering crew before the finish time of the last boat in the last race of the day is DSQ without a hearing.

Anchors

- NOR 2.3: While racing, boats shall not allow deck-stowed anchors to protrude outside of the hull limits. Anchors which are stowed as an integral part of the bowsprit and whose shaft is secured within a slot on the bow are permitted. Vessels in current Commercial Survey with anchors over 32kg, where the survey requirement to be able to release the anchor quickly cannot be met by any other means, are excepted.

Start and Finish Restricted Areas

- NOR 15.1: The areas of moored boats on both sides of the Spit Channel between Spit Bridge and the southern ends of Clontarf and the Western Pumphouse are out of bounds to boats under sail. These restricted areas are defined as the area between the imaginary lines that define the swing mooring boundaries and the adjacent shoreline and for the purpose of RRS 19 and 20 these lines shall be deemed obstructions.
- NOR 15.2: When the Clubhouse Start Line and/or Pumphouse Start Line and/or Clubhouse Finish Line are in use, any boat under sail that is observed to enter a restricted area may be disqualified from competition. This amends RRS 63.1.

- NOR 15.3: Competitors are reminded that the Spit Channel is a navigation channel and that boats sailing in the vicinity of the start and finish are required to give way to vessels using the channel.

Pumphouse Start

- NOR 16.6: The Pumphouse Pre-Start area is defined as the area between the start line and the extension of the A-Arm outer walkway (southern marina arm).
- NOR 16.7: When the Pumphouse Start Line is in operation, no boat shall enter the Pre-Start Area before her Preparatory Signal unless transiting the area under motor.
- NOR 16.8: Any boat observed to breach NOR 16.5 or 16.7 shall be awarded a 45% scoring penalty. This amends RRS 63.1.

Courtesy to Boats Starting

- Whilst not a rule, a boat returning from the course side to the pre-start side of the start line after her preparatory signal should keep clear of boats which are starting.

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