



DOWNEAST RACEWEEK XIV
August 10 - 15, 2008
PRELIMINARY DRAFT (5-30-08)
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2005-2008 and the 2006 PHRF-NE Rules as adopted and amended by the DERW Committee in the Notice of Race and these Sailing Instructions and the safety regulations and equipment requirements of the USCG unless modified by these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 All boats shall carry an operating VHF radio and GPS receiver and shall monitor VHF 65 from 0900 to 1800 on days of racing.
- 1.3 All boats shall be sailed by at least 2 persons.
- 1.4 Life Jackets - Youth age 12 and under shall wear Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs) at all times while racing. If the Race Committee hoists flag "Y" (red & yellow diagonal stripes) prior to the Attention gun, all competitors shall wear USCG approved PFDs while racing. It is not otherwise required to wear life jackets at the start and finish of each race.
- 1.5 A 2007 PHRF-NE Certificate is required for the event. The DERW Committee reserves the right to assign a rating, for which a \$25 fee may be charged.
- 1.6 Use of electric winches is permitted (modifies RRS 53).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors including race results, emergencies, social schedule, amendments, individual recalls, rendezvous locations and protest hearing schedules will be announced on VHF 65. Scratch sheets, excluding late entries will be available on line at www.downeastraceweek.com or from the Race Committee Boat.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions, or special instructions to apply to the race that follows, may be signaled by the Race Committee by flying code flag "L" (black & yellow squares) and announced on VHF 65 prior to the Attention Signal of each race, except that any change to the schedule of races will be announced by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

MORE DETAILS TO COME