

SECOR VOLVO FISHERS ISLAND SOUND RACE - 2017 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Please do not print unless necessary. We are joining the race to restore ocean health with Sailors for the Sea's Clean Regattas program. The ocean is in crisis with plastic waste, oil spills, and acidification threatening not only marine life, but also our health for generations to come. With your help following the Clean Regattas Best Practices we can reduce our trails and protect the ocean.

1. Rules

1.1 Racing will be governed by The Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing. Please reference 420 class rules.

2. Notice to Competitors

2.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board Online (<https://secorvolvorange.com/blog/>) before 08:00 July 13th, 2017.

2.2 Posted changes will also be announced via VHF and hailer prior to the First Warning.

3. Signals Made Ashore

3.1 Any race Postponed or Abandoned prior to 10:00 on the day of race will be posted online and will be communicated via VHF continuing approximately every 30 minutes until the time of the First Leg Start.

4. Event Schedule

4.1 REGISTRATION & PRE-RACE COOKOUT 16:00-18:00 Wednesday July 12th at Niantic Bay YC AND 07:30-08:30 Thursday July 13th at Niantic Bay YC

4.2 DAY 1 COMPETITORS MEETING – 08:30, Thursday July 13th, Niantic Bay YC

4.3 DAY 1 HARBOR START – After competitors meeting or approx. 09:00

4.4 FIRST LEG VOLVO START – 10:00 approx. ½ NM east of NBYC – Racing each day shall be broken up into two or more “Legs”. Likely and potential legs will be reviewed at each morning competitor’s meetings.

4.5 DAY 1 FINISH – at approx. 15:00 in vicinity of “R6” – Mark V, West Harbor, Fishers Island NY

4.5.1 16:00 FIYC Welcoming Party

4.5.2 18:00 Competitor debrief by course coaches.

4.5.3 19:30 DINNER PARTY -Volvo Banquet & DJ - at The Pequot House

4.5.4 22:00 Transport to Fishers Island School and check in for overnight.

4.6 DAY 2 Friday July 14th, 2017

4.6.1 07:30 Breakfast served at Fishers Island School.

4.6.2 08:30 COMPETITORS MEETING at Fishers Island School

4.6.1 09:00 Sailors for the Sea beach walk

4.7 DAY 2 HARBOR START – After beach walk or approx. 10:00.

4.8 DAY 2 FIRST LEG START – approx. 11:00 in vicinity of R “6”, West Harbor, Fishers Island NY

4.9 VOLVO FINISH – at approx. 15:00 in vicinity of Red Nun 30, off Mystic Shipyard, Mystic CT

5. Tracking and Media

5.1 Boats will be provided with real time tracking devices.

5.2 Racers will have to check in and out with their device at the start and end of each day.

5.3 Various parts of the racing will be broadcast LIVE on Facebook #FISVolvo. By competing in this race, you give the organizing authority permission to use your images and personal likeness on social media.

6. Courses

6.1 The marks of the course will be posted on the top row of the Course Board in order of rounding. Refer to Appendix A for the list of marks.

6.2 The letters P (port) or S (starboard) will indicate which side to round.

7. Marks

7.1 Refer to Appendix A for a complete list of marks.

8. Restrictions

8.1 Boats shall not pass between Flat Hammock and South Dumpling.

9. Start

9.1 Starting sequence will be 5 minute starts.

9.2 The starting line will be between an Orange flag on the RC and an orange floating mark.

9.3 The RC may notify boats OCS by sail number or boat name. Misunderstandings, errors, or omissions that may result from such communications are not grounds for protest and only the RC may request redress. RRS 62.1a is changed in such instances.

10. Changing the Next Leg of the Course

10.1 When a change of course is signaled, the RC may identify the new mark with its letter designation as defined in Appendix A of the Sailing Instructions. This modifies Rule 33.

11. Finishing

11.1 The finish line (course board F) will be between an Orange Flag on the Committee/Finish Boat and an orange floating mark.

11.2 Boats withdrawing shall immediately notify the RC.

12. Time Limit

12.1 The time limit is 2 hours after the start of each leg.

12.2 Any boat which has not finished within 20 min of the first-place boat will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired).

13. Protests

13.1 Notify your intent by hailing RC within 10 minutes of finishing (per leg).

14. Scoring

14.1 One completed leg constitutes a Series.

14.2 TLE boats will receive points equal to the number of class finishers plus one.

14.3 Trac Trac speed challenge will be compiled from uploads after racing.

14.4 Scoring will be Low Point as outlined in RRS Appendix A, with each Leg counting as a race, except there will be no throw-outs UNLESS a boat competes in the Niantic Bay US Sailing Area B Finals on July 12th. Their place in that race will be considered as her Leg 0 score. Any boat with a Leg 0 score will have Leg 0 included in her overall score and will then have her worst score excluded.

15. Radio Communication

15.1 The RC will communicate on VHF Ch. 01A.

15.2 All boats shall check in by passing within hailing distance of the Committee Boat on the side opposite the starting line prior to the starting sequence.

16. Awards

16.1 Awards will be presented at Mystic Shipyard at approx. 16:00

16.2 Zim Trophy – First Overall

16.3 Top Female Team

16.4 Overall Team Trophy – Enter three boats from any one club or association. Trophy goes to top 3 boat group from one club. Fleet rules and scoring, but the club team with the three lowest combined point totals win.

16.5 Keeper trophies shall be presented to the top 5 overall.

16.6 Trophies will be presented for the fastest recorded speed based on trackers.

16.7 Win a FREE Wasp Camera for the best video, photos, or written combination of on board reporting from the race! This report must be submitted by July 20th to registration@secorvolvorace.com

17. Additional Information - All information is available at www.secorvolvorace.com

Appendix A

A.1 Each leg will be posted on the course board 5 min before the warning signal to the leg start.

A.2 Any leg may begin with a drop mark. This mark will be designated by a W on the course board followed by letters S or P to indicated rounding direction.

A.3 Government marks will be used as noted on supplied chart, follow by letters S or P to indicated rounding direction.

A.4 Subsequent drop marks may be used. These marks will be designated by a DM1, DM2, DM3, etc. on course board followed by letters S or P to indicated rounding direction. The RC will make every attempt to have a boat on station near any drop mark and have it within sight from the previous mark.

A.5 The finish line (course board F) will be between an Orange Flag on the Committee/Finish Boat and an orange floating mark.

GREEN REGATTA: We support the Clean Regatta Commitment • Put recyclables IN the RECYCLING BINS • Do NOT litter at any host venues • Do not throw litter overboard during racing • No Discharge in no-discharge zones, use Green Cleaning Products • Rule 55 will not be altered • Check out: sailorsforthesea.org for more info.