



20 Guinea Cup

2008

Sailing Instructions

Description: The 2008 edition of the 20 Guinea Cup (20GC) is comprised of 7 events: February 9th, March 8th, June 9th (spinnakers allowed), July 5th, September 6th (spinnakers allowed), October 11th and November 8th.

Eligibility: This event is open to all AMSS members and accepted guests. **Five of the seven** events will be sailed using working sails only. **No Spinnakers, Mizzen Staysails or Gollywoblers** may be flown for these events. Poled-out gibs are allowable. **Two** of the scheduled events will allow the use of **all** sails (**Spinnakers**, etc.).

Classes: **Short Course:** Handicap range 180 and over (L16's will also be scored as one design)
 Long Course: Handicap range 179 & under

Rules: This series will be governed by the 2005-2008 International Yacht Racing Rules (IYRR) including the prescriptions of US SAILING. **EXCEPT:** Yachts that start early will be penalized **5.0 minutes plus the amount of time they are over early**. The start sequence is described below. A penalty turn will be a 720-degree turn (Defined as a tack, jibe, tack, and jibe). Any yacht that hits a mark will be required to do a 360 degree turn. Any boat that misses a mark is required to re-round that mark to finish the course or will be disqualified. Large vessels in the channel have right-of-way. The Coast Guard rules of the road are to be followed at all times when encountering non-racing boats. Avoid collisions at all times.

Starting Line: Both classes will start between SD Buoy #17 and a visual line to the southern most point of Shelter Island. Start in the direction to the first mark.

Start time & Signals: The starting sequence, by *Flirt* or *Frolic*, for both classes will be as follows:

<u>Sequence</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Signal</u>
Warning	1150	Long Blast
Predatory	1155	Long Blast
Start	1200	Long Blast

Courses: *Flirt* or *Frolic* will designate the course to be sailed at SD Buoy #17 by hailing and broadcasting on channel 68. See attached Course Descriptions.

Short Course Class will sail one (1) lap of the designated course.

Long Course Class will sail two (2) laps of the designated course.

Changes in Sailing Instructions: Changes in these instructions, if any, will be broadcast on the water.

Finish Line: Both Classes will finish between SD Buoy #17 and a visual line to the southern most Point of Shelter Island. Finish from the direction of the last mark. **Take your own finish time corrected to Pacific Bell time & call into (619) 899-3144 or email: swendsley@hotmail.com.**

Protests: Must be lodged with Jack Swendsen @ (619) 787-3438 one (1) hour after finishing. Protests will be heard at a place and time convenient to the Race Chairman.

Scoring: The 20GC will utilize the low point system, points will be awarded equivalent to the boats finishing position in the fleet (first place = 1 point, second place = 2 points, etc. Last place will be the total number of boats in each fleet for each event to finish. DNF will be scored as last place plus 1 and DNS will be scored as last place plus 2). The cumulative points of the five best out of seven events will determine the Overall positions.

Social & Prizes: Informal gatherings at Fiddler's Green **may** follow racing. Trophies will be awarded to the top three overall yachts in each Class at the AMSS December General Meeting. The overall winner of each class will be noted on the Perpetual Trophy.