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CONDITIONS

The Races will be sailed under the "Conditions Governing the Races for the America's Cup Nineteen Fifty-Eight", as agreed upon by the Committees of the Royal Yacht Squadron and the New York Yacht Club.

Note: All times referred to in these instructions are Eastern Daylight Saving Time.

DATE OF RACES

The first race shall be sailed on Saturday, September 20, 1958, and the races shall be sailed on every succeeding weekday; provided, however, that immediately on the conclusion of each race or upon a race being called off for the day, the Race Committee shall inquire of each contestant whether he is willing to start the next day. Should either contestant reply in the negative one day shall intervene before starting the next race. Sunday shall not count as such intervening day.

NUMBER OF RACES

The Match shall be decided by the best four out of seven races.

RULES

The Racing Rules of the New York Yacht Club as the same now exist shall govern the races, except in so far as they may be inconsistent with the provisions of the "Con-

ditions Governing the Races for the America's Cup Nineteen Fifty-Eight", and particularly the provisions of clause 10 thereof.

#### COURSES

The course for the first, third, fifth and seventh races will be approximately six nautical miles to windward and return twice around, making a total course length of approximately twenty-four nautical miles.

The course for the second, fourth and sixth races will be around an approximately equilateral triangle each leg of which will be approximately eight nautical miles long, making a total course length of approximately twenty-four nautical miles.

All races will be started to windward if in the opinion of the Race Committee it is possible.

In races to windward and leeward, yachts shall round the buoy used at the start when completing the second leg. All turning marks shall be left to port. The Committee Boat will not move until the contestants are on the third leg of a windward leeward course.

In triangular races both turning marks shall be passed on the same side as the starting buoy in starting.

#### COURSE SIGNALS

The compass direction in degrees (magnetic) of the first leg of the course will be signaled by three numeral pennants in a single vertical hoist, ten minutes before the warning signal.

#### STARTING AND FINISHING LINES

The starting and finishing lines will be between a white flag on the Race Committee Boat and the International Yacht

Race Lighted Gong buoy established approximately nine nautical miles South South East (magnetic) from the Brenton Reef Lightship, which buoy will be a starting and finishing mark. The buoy is painted White and Orange in vertical stripes. The light is occulting white 4 seconds light, 4 seconds eclipse.

The Committee Boat will display a New York Yacht Club Burgee and a Race Committee flag. When in position at the finish it will display in addition, and until the time limit expires, a Red Cylinder. In fog it will ring a bell rapidly at intervals for about five seconds.

#### START AND FINISH OF YACHTS

A yacht starts when, after her start signal her stem head first crosses the starting line in the direction of the first mark, and finishes when it crosses the finish line from the direction of the last mark. If the Committee Boat, either from necessity or error, is anchored on the side of a starting or finishing mark opposite that indicated in the instructions a yacht can start or finish properly only if she complies with the previous sentence.

#### MARKS

The marks except at the start and finish are Naval tugs and when in position will display a New York Yacht Club Burgee and a black ball. Should a tug in use as a marker be missing or off station a Naval or Coast Guard vessel will replace it as the turning marker.

Such vessel will display Code Flag R and as the contestants approach, sound intermittent blasts on its whistle.

### THE START

The warning signal, unless the Race is postponed by the Race Committee, shall be made as nearly as practical at 12:00 Noon and the starting signal at 12:10 P. M. No race shall be started after 2:10 P. M.

### STARTING SIGNALS

12:00 Noon	Warning Signal	One White	Cylinder
12:05 P. M.	Preparatory Signal	One Blue	Cylinder
12:10 P. M.	Starting Signal	One Red	Cylinder

The time of the starting signal shall be taken as the time of the start of both yachts.

### SPECIAL SIGNALS

Code Flag G Race postponed. Postponements will be for 15 minute intervals and the postponement flag will be lowered 5 minutes before the course signals are hoisted.

Code Flag H Race postponed until the succeeding week day.

Code Flag Q Come within hail.

All other signals displayed by the Committee will be found in the N. Y. Y. C. 1957 Five Year Book.

### RECALL SIGNAL

The Committee Boat will sound one blast on a whistle for each yacht starting prematurely and will display block letters indicating which yacht started prematurely. The letters are black on white placards. They will be displayed at the side of



the Committee Boat near the white starting flag. The letters will be removed from view as soon as the recalled yacht or yachts have returned to the starting side of the starting line or its extensions.

Letter K	The Challenger
Letters US	The Defender

#### POSTPONEMENTS

The time of the warning signal may be postponed by the Race Committee in the harbor before 8:30 A. M. or at the starting buoy for the following reasons:

- a. In case of fog.
- b. If, in its opinion, at the time appointed for the warning signal, the starting area is not sufficiently clear, or the wind is too light or too strong or the sea too rough reasonably to test the relative speed of the two yachts.
- c. In case a yacht, after she has left her mooring for the start of a race and before the warning signal, is in a serious collision or accident, not the result of a defect in her hull or in her sails, rigging, gear, or the handling thereof; or in case the Race Committee is notified before the warning signal that a person on board has been seriously injured after the yacht left her mooring for the start.

If the time of the warning signal is postponed in the harbor, the Race Committee shall tell the contestants to remain at their moorings until the Race Committee tells them verbally either: (1) to proceed to the starting buoy; or (2) that the race is postponed until the succeeding week day.

Should a yacht have reason under paragraph (c) above to request a postponement she shall communicate with the Race Committee.

#### TIME LIMIT

A race shall be resailed unless one yacht completes: a windward and leeward race in six hours; a triangular race in five and one half hours; any race within thirty minutes after the time of sunset at Newport as calculated by the Race Committee.

#### RACES RESULTING IN A TIE

A race resulting in a tie shall be resailed.

#### DISQUALIFICATION

If either yacht is disqualified in any race, such race shall be awarded to the other yacht, provided the race was completed within the time limit. The fouled yacht shall, however be declared the winner if the Race Committee finds that her disablement caused by the foul prevented such completion.

#### ACCIDENTS

(1) In case a serious accident occurs to either yacht prior to the warning signal, she shall have such time, not exceeding in any event four weeks, as the Committees representing the two Clubs shall determine to be reasonable to effect repairs before being required to start, or if such accident occur after the warning signal, before being required to start in the next race; but no such allowance of time to repair shall extend the Match beyond October 31, 1958.

(2) If either yacht, except as provided under the heading Postponements, shall be disabled after leaving her mooring for the start of the race through a defect in her hull or in her sails, rigging, gear or the handling thereof, the other yacht shall start and continue the race.



(3) If through the fault of either yacht, the other be destroyed or so injured after the warning signal, as to be incapable of repair in time to complete the Match before November 1, 1958, and the yacht so destroyed or injured shall be free from fault, the Match shall be awarded to her.

#### WILLINGNESS TO START ON THE NEXT DAY

After the leading contestant has finished or after the time limit has expired the Race Committee will display Code Signal AQ inquiring the contestants willingness to start the next day. Contestants must signal either Code Flag C (affirmative) or Code Flag N (negative). The Committee will not haul down their signal until both contestants have replied and their signals have been understood.

#### RACE COMMITTEE

John S. Dickerson, Jr., *Chairman*  
Charles F. Morgan      E. Jared Bliss  
F. Briggs Dalzell      Willis M. Fanning  
Julian K. Roosevelt, *Secretary*

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