

**HARBOR 20 FLEET 1**

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### I. BYLAWS

#### I.A. Name

1. The name of the organization shall be the Fleet 1 of the Harbor 20 Class Association, hereinafter referred to as the Fleet.
2. The Bylaws define the structure and governance of the Fleet, the Rules govern the people who may participate in Fleet Races, and the Specifications govern the yachts eligible to participate in Fleet Races. This document is hereinafter referred to as the Rules.

#### I.B. Nature and Purpose

1. Fleet 1 of the Harbor 20 Class Association is a voluntary Corinthian association. Its purposes are consistent with those of the Harbor 20 Class Association.

#### I.C. Membership

1. The Fleet is comprised of Owner Members and Associate Members who meet the criteria for Fleet 1 membership as defined by the Rules of the Harbor 20 Class Association.

#### I.D. Governance

1. The governing body of the Fleet is the Board of Directors (Board), comprised of the Directors and Immediate Past Fleet Captain, and chaired by the Fleet Captain, all of whom are entitled to vote. The general duty of the Board is the furtherance of the purposes of the Fleet and ensuring its growth and preservation. The Board has the authority to develop, interpret and enforce the Fleet Rules. The Board shall decide on all Fleet Rules and be ultimately responsible for resolving issues about their interpretation.
2. The Board members must be elected in a fair and open vote of the Fleet 1 Owner Members by February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Six members are to be elected to the Board.
3. The Board elects the officers for the Fleet for a one-year term. The officers may be elected for multiple terms.

4. The Fleet Captain is to act as the executive officer of the Board.
5. The Secretary shall perform the duties as commonly understood and as further determined by the Board.
6. The Treasurer shall perform the duties as commonly understood and as further determined by the Board.
7. The Past Fleet Captain is the Fleet Captain who was most recently in office and who available to serve on the Board. He is a voting member, but not elected.
8. The Measurer shall insure the conformance of yachts, equipment and crews to the Class and Fleet Rules. The Measurer will chair the Rules Committee, if and when needed.
9. The Owner (as defined by the Class Rules) of each Harbor 20 may cast one vote in Fleet elections.
10. Any changes in these Rules shall require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board or a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the ballots cast by the Owners.
11. The Directors shall vote on a Rules issue first. If the Directors fail to achieve a two-thirds (2/3) majority, the Board shall decide, by a simple majority, whether to place the issue to a vote of the Owner Members. Also, a written petition signed by one-fifth (1/5) of the Fleet 1 Owner Members shall obligate the Board to conduct a vote by the Owner Members.
12. All Board decisions other than a change in the Rules shall be by majority vote.
13. The Board may replace any Director who cannot properly fulfill the responsibilities of the office.

**I.E. Dues**

1. The Board shall establish the amount of annual Fleet 1 dues. Payment is due by February 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Fleet may also collect and forward Class dues.

**I.F. Regattas**

1. Any race or regatta so designated by the Board is a Fleet Regatta and qualifies for the High Point Championship. The regattas will be held in

conformance to the participation requirements of the Class Rules II A and B; and the helmsmen must be an Owner Member or Associate Member, unless modified by written notice from the Board.

2. The Fleet may hold a Fleet Championship in a location, time(s), and format to be determined by the Fleet. The Fleet Championship will be held in conformance to the Class Rules. The winner is declared the Fleet Champion, and shall affix a red chevron to his boat's mainsail under the standard insignia.
3. Evening series, other invitational regattas and informal regattas are open to all participants.
4. The Board is empowered to designate special trophies and awards, including the High Point Series.
5. The High Point Series trophies will be awarded to the A and B Fleet skippers (not the boat) who have the best total score for the season in their respective fleets. This total score is computed by discarding their worst one-third scores including DNS's. Any ties will be broken according to A8 of the RRS. The High Point Series scores will be computed on the designated High Point races between consecutive Fleet Championship Series.
6. The Rain or Shine trophies will be awarded to the A or B Fleet skipper (not the boat) who races in the greatest number of High Point races for the season. Any ties will be broken according to A8 of the RRS. The Rain or Shine scores will be computed on the races between consecutive Fleet Championship Series.
7. The First Mate Trophies will to be awarded each year to the highest placing husband and wife teams in the A and B Fleets at the Fleet 1 Championship Series.
8. The Grand Masters trophy will be awarded to the highest placing skippers over the age of 65 in the A and B fleets at the Fleet 1 championships. There is a single perpetual trophy which is inscribed with both names.
9. The Arthur B Strock Service Award may be awarded to members who have performed outstanding service for the Harbor 20, Fleet One organization. It may be awarded to no more than one member each year.

#### **I.G. Eligibility to Race and Conformance to Rules**

1. A Harbor 20 Class Yacht is defined by the Harbor 20 Class Association Rules, and which is in conformance with these Fleet Rules. Only Class

Yachts whose Owner's dues are paid are eligible to race in Harbor 20 Fleet Races.

#### **I.H. Board Decisions**

1. All decisions of the Board shall be published in the Fleet Newsletter or otherwise circulated for the information of the Members of the Class.

### **II. RULES**

The Rules of the Harbor 20 Class Association apply to Fleet 1.

### **III. SPECIFICATIONS**

#### **III.A. Class Yacht**

1. Yachts which are in full compliance with both the Harbor 20 Class Association Rules and this Fleet will be permitted to race in Class Races.

#### **III.B. Measurement**

1. The Fleet Measurer may take supplemental measurements sufficient to ensure that the construction of the yacht and the equipment aboard conform to the Class and Fleet Rules.
2. The Measurer shall not measure a yacht, spars, sails, or equipment owned or built by him or in which he is an interested party or has a vested interest.
3. The Fleet Captain may serve as Measurer when needed.

#### **III.C. Specific Fleet Provisions**

1. All yachts shall be kept in the water, i.e., "wet stored," at all times.
2. Boats may be hauled out a maximum of three times per year. The Fleet Measurer must be notified of all haul outs.
3. Fleet 1 elects not to modify or omit the Class Rule (III.D.10) on the use of "Copper Poxy" or Pettit Trinidad SR as the only permitted coatings on the underwater surfaces.
4. Hiking is not permitted. All crew shall keep their torsos within the confines of the cockpit at all times, excepting in the need for immediate repair or for safety.

5. Sail replacement procedure is as defined in the Class Rules.
6. Fleet 1 Board may establish by majority vote a “fall order window,” during which time new sails shall be ordered. No replacement sails may be ordered at other times of year except as allowed by the Class Rules.
7. A sail’s age shall be determined by the delivery date as recorded by the W.D. Schock Corp. For replacement sails, the age will be determined by the Measurer’s dated approval.
8. The Fleet has appointed Elliott/Pattison as its sole permitted sail maker for new mainsails, and Ullman as its sole permitted sail maker for new jibs. No other sail/sail maker combinations will be allowed. The Board may change this rule by a majority vote.
9. Boat baths are not allowed. Any existing boat baths are grandfathered for three years beginning 9/20/06.