## **AMERICAN M CLASS RULES**

Marblehead class 50/800 models of pre-1970 design will adhere to the following measurement rules:

#### The Rules of Pre-1970 Boats

## 1. Hull measurement

Length of hull will be 50 inches plus or minus ¼ of an inch.

### 2. Sail Area

Sail area not to exceed 800 square inches, triangular measurement. The roaches of the sails and foot round are not to be counted in the sail measurement.

#### 3. Prohibited

- Sliding or adjustable keels.
- Centerboards; but not to prohibit removable keels.
- Leeboards.
- Bilge boards.
- Bowsprits.
- Overhanging rudders.
- Removable ballast.
- Prognathous keels (No portion of the keel can project forward of any part of the leading edge the keel.)
- Metal fin keels.
- Ballast material of greater density than lead.
- Multi hulls.

#### 4. Garboards

Hollow of the garboards to be not less than 1 inch radius. (May be checked with a washer of 2 inches in diameter.)

## 5. Ballast

Ballast not to be changed or moved during a race event.

#### 6. Draft

To be determined by the deepest draft of a known period boat.

## 7. Hull weight

A. Minimum hull weight to be 2.5 pounds. (Without rig, ballast, batteries or fin.) Winch and servos are to be in place.

- B. Hull shape: No restrictions on L.W.L., beam, freeboard or tumblehome.
- C. Models may carry a bow bumper of a resilient material restricted to ½ inch thickness.
- 8. Rig
- A. Rig not restricted.
- B. Height of jib stay attachment to the mast not to be higher than 80 percent of the measurement on the mast from the deck to the bottom of the headboard.
- 9. Mast and Spars
- A. Height of the mast not limited.
- B. Mast and booms will be no greater than ¾ of an inch in diameter or if flatsided no greater than ¾ of an inch on a side.
- C. Area of the mast or booms not counted in the sail area.
- 10. Sails
- A. Sails may be single or multi-panel.
- B. Sails to be made of woven material.
- C. Roach of the mainsail not to exceed 2 inches, roach of jib not to exceed one inch.
- D. Foot round of the main or jib not to exceed 1 inch.
- E. Mainsail battens not to exceed 4 in number nor be longer than 4 inches.
- F. Jib battens not to exceed 3 in number nor be longer than 2 inches.
- G. Headboards not to exceed ¾ of an inch measure to the bottom.
- H. Spinnakers are permitted but are not to be flown from higher than the jib stay at 80 percent measurement.
- I. Spinnaker poles no longer than 15 inches.

Post-1970 "M" 50/800 models will follow early AMYA class rating rules with two stipulations not found in the early rules. Intent of these rules is to facilitate the consistency of the R/C sailboat models of similar size.

# The rules of the 1970 boats

- 1. Hull
- A. Hull length to be 50 inches, plus or minus ¼ of an inch.
- B. 1/2 inch resilient material bow bumper attached to the bow of model above the waterline.
- C. Minimum weight of the hull shall be 2.5 pounds with the winch, servos and rudder installed. The rig, keel fin, ballast and batteries are not included in this weight.
- D. Maximum depth of the keel from the bottom of the hull to the bottom of the ballast shall be 20.0 inches.
- 2. Prohibited
  - Moveable keels.
  - Centerboards.
  - Leeboards.
  - Bilge boards.
  - Bowsprits.
  - Overhanging rudders.
  - Outriggers.
  - Multi-hulls.
  - Moveable ballast.
- 3. No limits on L.W.L, beam, freeboard or tumblehome.
- 4. Spars

The maximum dimension of spars if round, is to be  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an inch in diameter. If spars are to be straight-sided,  $\frac{3}{4}$  of an inch on a side.

- 5. Sails
- A. Maximum sail area is to be 800 square inches.
- B. Measurement of the mainsail is to be to the AMYA formula measured from the tack to the bottom of the headboard.

- C. The jib is the same as the main except measured to the eye instead of the head of the sail when a headboard is not used.
- D. The base of the headboards is not to exceed 34 of an inch.
- E. The roach of the sails

Main not to exceed 2 inches and may have 4 battens 4 inches long.

Jib roach not to exceed 1 inch and may have 3 batten 2 inches long.

- F. Maximum height of the main sail is 85 inches from the deck to the bottom of the headboard or to the eye of the halyard if no headboard is used.
- G. Height of the jib stay attachment to the mast shall not be higher than 80 percent of the height measurement from the deck to the bottom of the headboard.
- I. Spinnakers are allowed

Spinnakers are not to be attached higher than jib stay 80 percent mark.

Spinnaker pole not to be longer than 15 inches.