



# Beringer Bowl Overnight Ocean Race



**July 19-20, 2024**  
Organizing Authority (OA)  
**Boston Yacht Club**

## Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing and the MBSA General Sailing Instructions, except as changed by this NOR, and the Reopening Standards for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 1.2. The US Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for 2024 are available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/#DOCS>.
- 1.3. The US SER 2024 for Coastal races as defined by USSER 1.0.2 shall apply, with the exception of sections 2.4.1 through 2.4.9, 3.1.2, 3.6.2, 3.7.1, 3.7.2, 3.8.1, 3.8.2, 3.16.2, and 4.3.2 where Nearshore requirements shall apply. This changes GSI 3.3(a)i.
- 1.4. The use of autopilots is permitted where a boat is singlehanded or doublehanded. This changes RRS 52.
- 1.5. The navigation rules of the International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (IRPCAS) replaces RRS Part 2 from 2000 Eastern Daylight Time (EDT) (UTC – 4 hr.) until 0800 EDT each day, and when visibility is reduced.
- 1.6. When RRS 20 applies, a boat may indicate her need for room to tack or her response by hailing on VHF channel 16.

## **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available by July 15, 2024 on the event page for this event at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16598>

## **3. COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located on the event page for this event at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16598>
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 16, 72 at a minimum.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

## **4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats with valid PHRF-NE certificates, and that meet the requirements of this NOR.
- 4.2. The PHRF-NE system applies to boats racing in the Overnight Start, Racing and Jib and Main (JAM), fully crewed or Doublehanded.
- 4.3. The PHRF-NE system applies to boats racing in the OCS (noon) start, JAM only.
- 4.4. Classes are defined in accordance with MBSA class splits as to rating where applicable. Doublehanded/Singlehanded boats will be a separate class.
- 4.5. Boats racing in the Shorthanded class must have valid PHRF-NE Shorthanded Certificate.
- 4.6. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at the page for this event on <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16598> before 2359 hrs on July 18, 2024.
- 4.7. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.8. Late entries on July 19 or later will be accepted only at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 5. FEES

5.1. Entry fees are as follows, which include awards party:

Class	Registration before June 15, 2024	Registration After June 15, 2024
All Classes	\$185.00	\$225.00

## 6. GPS TRANSPONDER

- 6.1. Each boat shall carry a YB GPS tracker supplied by the organizing authority at the Competitors Meeting.
- 6.2. The tracker shall be mounted and maintained in accordance with the instructions supplied with the unit.
- 6.3. The tracker shall be returned to the sailing vessel Sophie D, docked at the Provincetown Marina between 0900 and 1400 on 7/20 after finishing with a copy of your finishing card.
- 6.4. [DP] Failure to return Position Locating Transponder may result in DSQ or other penalty without a hearing.

## 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. Competitors Meeting, MANDATORY for OVERNIGHT Divisions only:
  - 7.1.1. OCS Division: 0900 hrs at BYC on 7/19/24
  - 7.1.2. Overnight Divisions: 1900 hrs at BYC on 7/18/24
- 7.2. Warning Signals
  - 7.2.1. OCS: Warning signal no earlier than 1200 hrs 7/19/24
  - 7.2.2. Overnight: First warning signal no earlier than 1900 hours 7/19/24

## 8. CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1. Class flags are not required for OCS or any One-Design division.
- 8.2. Doublehanded/Singlehanded Division will display numeral pennant 2.
- 8.3. All other classes will display their respective letter flags.

## 9. COURSES

- 9.1. NoR Addendum 1 shows the courses and marks that may be used.
- 9.2. The start line for the PHRFNE OCS division will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and Tinkers Rock Gong buoy, MBSA List A, Mark D.

9.3. The starting line for the PHRF Overnight divisions will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat and an orange tetrahedron.

9.4. The finish line for all classes will be a line extending 0.10 nm on a bearing of 090 deg mag. from the Long Point Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy – Green ‘3’, ‘QG’, which shall be passed to port.

## **10. SCORING**

10.1. The corrected time will be calculated using time-on-time (TOT) scoring.

10.2. For PHRF the Time Correction Factor (TCF) will be calculated as:

$$\text{TCF} = 650 / (550 + \text{PHRF})$$

Calculated to the nearest 0.001 (0.0005 to be rounded upward)

## **11. VENUE**

11.1. NoR Addendum 1 shows the location of the racing area.

## **12. RISK STATEMENT**

12.1. RRS 3 states: ‘The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.’ By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

## **13. INSURANCE**

13.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

## **14. PRIZES**

14.1. Prizes will be given as follows: The Beringer Bowl will be awarded for the first-place finish in Fleet A. The Merrigan Cup will be awarded for the first place in Fleet B. Trophies for first and second place in each class will also be presented. Third place trophies will be presented for any class with five or more entries.

14.2. This event is a qualifier for the MBSA, the MBSA Overnight Championship, and the MBSA Shorthanded Championship.

## 15. FURTHER INFORMATION

15.1. For further information please contact [BYCRace@BostonYC.org](mailto:BYCRace@BostonYC.org)

15.2. Competitors are encouraged to review the BYC policy statement operating a Clean Regatta. This statement can be found at <https://www.bostonyc.org/racing>

## 16. COMMUNICATIONS

- Starting Line Race Committee VHF Channel 72
- Provincetown Race Committee: Peter Fein, 781-929-1032
- Provincetown Marina VHF Channel 9, 508.487.0571
- Cell Phone of Race Officer, Peter Fein, 781-929-1032
- Provincetown Harbormaster 508-487-7030
  
- Completed Finish Time Confirmation Deliver form by email to [pbfein@gmail.com](mailto:pbfein@gmail.com) by 1000 hrs. on 7/20 or text to 781-929-1032
- Advise the Race Committee by VHF or phone 781-929-1032 of any withdrawal from the race or anticipated delay in finishing.
  
- Report an emergency on VHF Channel 16, Channel 72 and/or by cell phone, if possible.

