

The Second Annual



SATURDAY, 1 JUNE 2024

Notice of Race, Sailing Instructions

1. **MANAGEMENT:** The Rhody Regatta will be conducted by the International Yacht and Athletic Club, (IYAC), which will have the authority to reject an entry before the race starts, interpret the rules and conditions of the race and decide to protest. The Fleet shall be divided into handicap and one design classes according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the Management.
2. **ELIGIBILITY:**
 - a. Cruising/Racing Yachts with a 2024 PHRF of Narragansett Bay Handicap. A copy of certification should be submitted with entry form. Yachts without a 2024 PHRF of Narragansett Boat Handicap will be reviewed by the Management and assigned either their regional PHRF Handicap or will receive a rating based on comparative Narragansett Bay Handicaps.
 - b. One Design Classes.
3. **RULES:**
 - a. The Rules governing the race shall be the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing as administered by US Sailing and One Class Rules.
 - b. Advertising code shall be at the discretion of and approved by the Management.
 - c. The Sailing Instructions, including Amendments, take precedence in case of conflict.
 - d. A boat shall keep clear of vessels operating in navigation channels. See Rules of the Road 9(b): "A... sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway." A boat whose actions result in a danger signal of 5 or more short horn blasts from a commercial vessel (meaning "I do not understand your intentions" or "You are not taking sufficient action to avoid collision") will be protested by the race committee or protest committee. The protest committee may, at its discretion, impose a penalty for breaking this rule up to disqualification that is not excludable (DNE) from one or more races. This changes RRS 64.2.
4. **CLASSES**
 - a. PHRF Class designation will be posted based on the number of entries at the Skippers' Meeting.
 - b. One Design Classes – There must be at least 4 yachts entered in One Design classes to qualify for a separate start. If there are less than 4 entered, the Yacht will be racing in Class 1 PHRF. All yachts should fly the appropriate code flag for their class from their backstay. The Organizing Authority has the right to add or remove Classes at their discretion.

Code flags designating the classes are:

Class 1	Numeral Pennant 1
Class 2	Numeral Pennant 2
Class 3	Numeral Pennant 3
Class 4	Numeral Pennant 4
5. **AWARDS:**

Awards will be presented on Saturday, 1 June 2024, 1800 hrs. at the IYAC, 536 Thames St. Newport, RI. 02840

6. PRIZES:
 - a. Prizes will be awarded to the best three boats on corrected time in each class and a prize will be awarded to Best Overall corrected time.
 - b. Prize will be awarded to the team raising the most funds for the Rhode Island Community Food Bank.
7. ASSUMPTION OF RISKS:
 - a. It shall be the sole responsibility of each Yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue the race and to comply with minimum USCG safety regulations for their Class. Each competitor, by participation, agrees that neither the IYAC nor the persons assisting the race shall be responsible for damage or injury suffered during the race.
 - b. Each Owner and or Skipper shall sign the Crew Waiver on behalf of the entire Yacht Crew.
8. ENTRY & DONATION:
 - a. ENTRY PROCEDURE: Each Entrant must complete their Registration, Liability Waiver and payment on line at [Yachtscoring.com](https://yachtscoring.com) before Friday, 31 May 2024, at 1900 Hours. The Entry Fee is \$2.00 per foot of length. Please be sure to complete your Registration in advance.
 - b. DONATION PROCEDURE: Donations to benefit the Rhode Island Community Food Bank should be made here: <https://rifoodbank.org/rhody-regatta-2024/> Teams are able to create their own fundraising pages to compete towards a common goal. (Donations cannot be accepted on yachtscoring.com.)
9. SKIPPER'S MEETING: Will be held day of race at 0830 at the IYAC, we ask for one representative from each entered Yacht. We will issue class breaks at the meeting; in the event of late entries, we will issue class breaks by email and on VHF 72 twenty-five minutes before signals, at 1030 hrs.
10. CONTACT: If you have any question, please contact RC Member Patrick Kennedy at or IYACNPT@Gmail.com or Kelly Ferro at KellyLFerro@gmail.com

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. STARTING AND FINISHING LINE: Will be between a staff flying an orange flag on the committee boat, anchored West of Goat Island and East of the shipping channel, and an orange buoy.
2. CHECK IN: All Yachts shall check in with the Race Committee Boat prior to the warning signal.
3. COMMUNICATIONS: The Race Committee Boat will be monitoring VHF Channel 72 and will notify competitors of all race announcements. The Race Committee will notify competitors of any scheduled Shipping Traffic expected during the race time period. Please note NOR 3. d
4. PFD RULE: If the Race Committee boat displays Code Flag "Y", Rule 40.1 is in effect. All competitors must wear an approved PFD.
5. COURSE SIGNALS: Course letters will be displayed under the individual class designators from the Race Committee Boat.
6. SPECIAL COURSE INSTRUCTIONS ALL CLASSES: The Newport to Jamestown Bridge shall be passed under the center span of the suspension section of the bridge. No Yacht shall sail between Rose Island and the Newport

Bridge. The Jamestown to North Kingston Bridge shall be passed under the center span. The Race Committee may find it necessary to employ Code Flag "I" putting into effect the "Round the Ends" rule (RRS 30.1). When the Code Flag "I" has been displayed, and when any part of the Yacht's hull, crew, or equipment is on the course side of the starting line or its extensions during the minute before her starting signal, she shall return to the prestart side of the line across one of its extensions and start.

7. COURSES: The course will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat prior to the warning signal on the White Notice Board and will be announced on VHF channel 72.
8. WINDWARD LEG: If the Race Committee Boat displays Code Flag W at the Warning Signal, there will be a short windward leg after the start for all the following courses. The windward mark will be an orange buoy and the rounding of this mark will be displayed on the Race Committee Boat by either a green flag (Starboard rounding), or a red flag (Port rounding) at the warning signal.
9. COURSE "O": Starting from North to South; from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5 Sec. Bell "11", The Dumplings, leave to Starboard; then to the RG Bell SW off Beavertail Point, leave to Starboard; then to Can "5", NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard; then to R "2", NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Starboard and then to Finish Line. Distance: 18.1 miles
10. COURSE "X": Starting from South to North; from the Starting Line to R "2", NNE of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to Can "5", NW of Conanicut Point, leave to Port; then to RG Bell, SW of Beavertail Point, leave to Port; then to FL G 2.5 Sec. Bell "11", The Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. Distance 18.1 miles.
11. COURSE "Z": Starting from South to North; from the Starting Line to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Starboard, then to G "17", leave to Starboard, then to FL 2.5 Sec. Bell "11", The Dumplings, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. Distance 12.0 miles.
12. COURSE "P": Starting from North to South; from the Starting Line to FL G 2.5 Sec. Bell "11", The Dumplings, leave to Port, then to FL R 4 Sec. Bell "14", Bishop Rock, leave to Port; then to RG Nun South of Prudence Island, leave to Port and then to Finish Line. Distance 12.0 Miles.
13. COURSE "Y": Alternate Course to be displayed by Race Committee Boat on the White Notice Board prior to warning signal.
14. PROTEST: The flag used to signify a protest shall be Code Flag B. Protests shall be made in accordance with Rule #60 and must be delivered to the IYAC by 1700 hrs, Saturday, June 1. Protests will be heard at the IYAC at the discretion of the Race Committee. We encourage you to follow the rules and resolve any infringements on the water. Protests are discouraged, please do your turns.
15. POSTPONEMENT: AP, Answering Pennant and two sound signals. Race Committee will attempt to announce all signals on Channel 72.
16. ABANDONMENT: Code Flag N over Code Flag H and three sound signals.
17. INDIVIDUAL RECALL: Code Flag X and one sound signal. The Race Committee shall attempt to notify each Yacht recalled by hailing its Sail Number, but it is the responsibility of each Yacht to start correctly.

- 18. GENERAL RECALL: First Repeater and two sound signals. One minute after the First Repeater is lowered a new Warning Signal will resume the interrupted sequence of starting signals. The Class recalled will be the next to start.
- 19. TIME LIMIT: The time limit for this race will be expire at 1630 hrs. One yacht of a class finishing within the time limit will constitute a race.
- 20. RETIREMENTS: Please notify the Race Committee via VHF Channel 72.
- 21. STARTING SIGNALS:

First Sequence

Class 1	Warning	Class Flag, one sound	1055 Hours
	Preparatory	Class Flag P (code flag I), one sound	1056
	1 Minute	Code Flag P removed, one long sound	1059
	Start	Code Flag removed, one sound	1100
Class 2	Warning	Class Flag, one sound	Approx 1 minute after