



EDGARTOWN RACE WEEKEND

'ROUND-THE-BUOYS RACES

'ROUND-THE-ISLAND RACE

July 22-24, 2021
The Edgartown Yacht Club
Edgartown, Massachusetts

The Officers and Members of the Edgartown Yacht Club invite you to participate in the Edgartown Race Weekend 'Round-the Buoys Races and 'Round-the-Island Race. Classes are for ORC, PHRF-NE (including Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and Double-Handed divisions), and Multi-Hulls. Yachts may enter one or both events. 'Round-the-Island is a qualifier for the New England Lighthouse Series (PHRF).

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is Edgartown Yacht Club (EYC).
- 1.2 The 'Round-the-Island Race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS),
- 1.2 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). In addition, 'Round-the-Island will be governed by the *US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Coastal Racing*, dated January 1, 2020, https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/US_SER_2019.0_Categories.pdf and the *International Regulations for the Prevention of Collisions at Sea*.
- 1.3 The following requirements of the SER are deleted: 3.6.2, 3.6.4, 3.16.2, 4.3.2. Yachts shall meet either SER requirement 3.7.1 or 3.7.2.
- 1.4 Yachts may submit SER waiver requests along with their risk mitigation proposals via email to the event organizer at raceadministrator@edgartownyc.org.
- 1.5 Yachts will also be subject to the rules of the rating convention in which they are competing.
- 1.7 RRS Rule 52 is changed to allow powered winches in all PHRF classes.
- 1.8 RRS Rule 52 is changed to allow autopilots in the Double-Handed class.

- 1.9 Yachts racing with ORC ratings may also register with a secondary PHRF-NE rating to be eligible for the special 'Round-the Island awards described in NOR 13.2 (Prizes).
- 1.10 Each boat shall fly from its back stay at least five feet above the deck an international code flag numeral pennant corresponding to the number of the class to which it has been assigned. This pennant shall be flown from the time of the warning signal for the relevant class until the boat has finished and cleared the finishing area. Boats lacking a back stay shall do their best to comply. Only the Race Committee may protest a boat for breaking this requirement (this changes RRS 60).
- 1.11 The Official Notice Board shall be located on www.Yachtscoring.com.

2 ADVERTISING AND PHOTOGRAPHY

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.2 By participating in this regatta, each competitor grants to the organizing authority and its members, the regatta sponsors, and each class association the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, and to license any other person to so make, show and use, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, sound recordings, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television or other reproductions of them or their property made during the period of the regatta without compensation.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1 Boats entered must be owned by, or under charter to, members of US SAILING or of yacht clubs affiliated with US SAILING.
- 3.2 Boats must be a minimum of 28 feet LOA.
- 3.3 ORC, PHRF-NE, and Multi-Hull class sizes will be limited to not fewer than three boats, subject to exceptions made by the Race Committee, and the decision of the Race Committee as to the acceptance of any entry or the constitution of any class or division will be at the entire discretion of the Race Committee and will not be subject to protest, recourse or appeal.
- 3.4 Additional PHRF classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Race Committee) will be eligible in Double-Handed and Non-Spinnaker.
- 3.5 Class changes may not be requested after 1730, Monday, July 19, 2021 for 'Round-the-Buoys; and Wednesday, July 21, 2021 for 'Round-the-Island.
- 3.6 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form and paying the required fee online or sending it together with the required fee, to the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee, One Dock Street, PO Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539 on or before 1730, Friday July 9, 2021 for both Round-the Island and 'Round-the-Buoys Races.
- 3.7 A representative from each boat must check in by telephone (508) 627-4364, or in person at the Race Office on Wednesday, July 21, 2021 for 'Round-the-Buoys; and Friday, July 23, 2021 for 'Round-the-Island. Sponsor provided race memorabilia will be available for pick up at the Race Office after 1600, Friday July 23, 2021.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The Registration fee for all classes is \$325 'Round-the-Island, and an additional \$50 per day for 'Round-the-Buoys. Late registrations will be subject to a \$50 late fee.
- 4.2 Early registration includes two nights of free moorage for the first 50 paid registrants for 'Round-the-Island. A special link for mooring reservations will be provided later on www.Yachtscoring.com.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5.1 'Round-the-Buoys Schedule

Friday, July 9, 2021

1730 Deadline for early registration and payment Online and Race Office

Monday, July 19 2021

1730 Deadline for late registration and payment Online and Race Office

1730 Deadline for submission of rating certificates Race Office

1730 Deadline for changing classes Race Office

1730 Deadline for submission of Liability Waivers Online

Wednesday, July 21, 2021

All day Check-in Telephone or Race Office

1700 'RTB Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse

Thursday, July 22, 2021

1300 First Warning Signal Starting Line

Friday, July 23 2021

1300 First Warning Signal Starting Line

1700 'RTB Awards Clubhouse

5.2 'Round-the-Island Schedule

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1730 Deadline for submission of rating certificates Race Office

1730 Deadline for changing classes Race Office

1730 Deadline for submission of Liability Waivers Online

Friday, July 23, 2021

All day Check-in Telephone or Race Office

1700 'RTB Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

1730 'RTI Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse

Saturday, July 24, 2021

0800 First Warning Signal Starting Line

2400 Time limit expires Finish Line

Sunday, July 25, 2021

1300 'RTI Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat participating in ORC, PHRF-NE, or Multi-Hull shall produce a valid ORC or PHRF-NE certificate on or before 1730, Monday July 19, 2021 for 'Round-the-Buoys; and Wednesday, July 21, 2021 for 'Round-the-Island. The type of Multi-Hull rating system to be used will be published in a future change to the NOR. All certificates must be valid for the current year.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary Sailing Instructions may be available on the Official Notice Board. Final Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board no later than 1600, Wednesday July 21, 2021 for 'Round-the-Buoys; and 1600, Friday, July 23, 2021 for 'Round-the-Island.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The 'Round-the-Buoys Races will be sailed in Edgartown Outer Harbor and Nantucket Sound.
- 8.2 The 'Round-the-Island Race will be sailed around the Island of Martha's Vineyard, in Nantucket Sound, the Atlantic Ocean and Vineyard Sound.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 The 'Round-the-Buoys courses will be windward/leeward and/or triangles made from government, and/or inflated marks as determined by class and at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 9.2 The 'Round-the-Island course will be a clockwise circumnavigation of Martha's Vineyard from Edgartown. The distance is approximately 55.0 miles. The approximate course, with virtual gates, will be depicted in an addendum to the Sailing Instructions. This course is a test of seamanship and navigation skills. Competitors are reminded that the course passes adjacent to several shoals and reefs. Caution should be exercised throughout the Race with special attention given in the area east and south of Wasque Point on the southeast corner of Chappaquiddick Island where strong currents have occasionally forced yachts to anchor while awaiting favorable conditions. Use of engines to safely navigate any part of this course will be a RRS 42 infraction and yachts that engage their engines should retire or face disqualification.

10 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 10.1 The scoring penalty, RRS 44.3 will apply for the 'Round-the-Island Race.
- 10.2 A boat on the course side of the starting line at its starting signal in the 'Round-the-Island Race that does not return to the pre-start side of the starting line and properly start will be penalized by an adjustment increasing its corrected time for scoring purposes by 30 minutes. This changes RRS A4.2 and 29.1.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring will be ORC, PHRF-NE, and Multi-Hull. Within PHRF, there will be three divisions: Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and Double-Handed.
- 11.2 The decision on the scoring method and scoring parameters used will be at the sole discretion of the Race Committee and together with length of course, directions of leg and the wind speed will not be grounds for request for redress by the boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

12 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, and except for intra boat communications within the Double-Handed class, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, PDAs and other electronic devices capable of receiving transmissions originating off the boat.
- 12.2 The Edgartown Yacht Club is intending to use a real-time tracking system for the 'Round-the-Island Race. This system will be used in conjunction with the virtual gates on the race course. Detailed information will be provided to the boats in advance of the race.
- 12.3 Radio communications between competitors and the Race Committee will be on VHF Channel 72, with the exception of check-in for 'Round-the-Island on VHF Channel 73.

13 PRIZES

13.1 'Round-the-Buoys

- Prizes will be given for all qualifying classes including One Design.
- Additional Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

13.2 'Round-the-Island

- First, Second and Third place Prizes in each class.
- The VENONA Trophy for the overall winner (the single best corrected PHRF-NE time) of the spinnaker division boats, regardless of class.
- The UPBEAT Cup for the overall winner of the non-spinnaker division.
- The CONCORD Cup for the finisher with the lowest elapsed time.
- The EOLIS Bowl – For Double-Handed overall winner.
- The HOBART A.H. COOK Award for the best time among Service Academy entries.
- The OCEAN RACE Trophy for the best time among entries by EYC members.
- A TEAM AWARD for the best corrected time of a 3-boat team with PHRF-NE ratings from a given yacht club or Service Academy. Teams will be automatically comprised of the top three finishers from any club or Service Academy.
- Additional awards may be presented at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

- 13.3 Edgartown Race Weekend Award(s) will be given to the yacht(s) with the best combined performance in the 'Round-the-Buoys and 'Round-the-Island Races.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall submit an online liability waiver release. The fully executed Liability Waiver Forms shall be submitted prior to racing. The waiver form link can be found on the regatta website at www.Yachtscoring.com. Boats shall not be scored unless the required forms have been submitted.

- 14.2 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

15 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with current, valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee Office, One Dock Street, P.O. Box 1309 Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539, Telephone (508) 627-4364 raceadministrator@edgartownyc.org, www.rtirace.org, or www.edgartownyc.org.