

# **Safety and Emergency Protocol RTI 2021**

The safety of participants is of utmost importance to Edgartown Yacht Club, the Organizing Authority of the 'Round-the-Island Race.

# In the case of an emergency on the water, contact the Coast Guard or local Harbormaster.

Martha's Vineyard's waters are included in the US Coast Guard's Southeastern New England Sector. The western side of the island is the responsibility of the Menemsha Station, and the eastern side is the responsibility of the Woods Hole Station.

#### **Coast Guard contact information:**

Menemsha Coast Guard Station	(508) 645-2662	Ch 16	
Woods Hole Coast Guard Station	(508) 457-3254	Ch 16	
Sector HQ	(508) 457-3211	Ch 16	

#### When contacting the Coast Guard be prepared to do the following:

#1 Position -- Latitude Longitude

#2 Problem -- water, fire, dismasting, etc.

#3 People -- number and description of people on board

## **TowBoatUS & Sea Tow contact information:**

TowBoatUS Falmouth	(508) 362-3040	Ch 9 and 16
TowBoatUS National	(800) 888-4869	
Sea Tow Falmouth	(508) 564-9555	Ch 9 and 16
Sea Tow National	(800) 473-2869	

## **Harbormaster Contact Info:**

Chilmark / Menemsha	(508) 645-2100	Ch 9
Tisbury / Vineyard Haven	(508) 696-4249	Ch 9
Oak Bluffs	(508) 693-4355	Ch 71
Edgartown	(508) 627-4746	Ch 74

## Please Note:

The EYC 'Round-the-Island Race follows US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Coastal Racing, dated January 1, 2020. Participants should take note of Section 1.2 Overall Responsibility.

Cell phone signal can be poor, especially at the southern and western portions of the island.