

EDGARTOWN RACE WEEKEND

'ROUND-THE-ISLAND RACE

June 25, 2022

The Edgartown Yacht Club Edgartown, Massachusetts

The Officers and Members of the Edgartown Yacht Club invites you to participate in the Edgartown Race Weekend 'Round-the-Island Race. This race will be open to ORC, PHRF-NE, and multi-hull yachts. '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 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions* (RRS). In addition, 'Round-the-Island will be governed by the *US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Coastal Racing*, dated February 8, 2021, https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/ser-world-sailing-special-regulations/ 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. Boats shall meet either SER requirement 3.7.1 or 3.7.2.
- 1.4 Boats may submit SER waiver requests along with their risk mitigation proposals via email to the event organizer at raceadministrator@edgartownyc.org.
- 1.5 Boats will also be subject to the rules of the rating convention in which they are competing.
- 1.6 RRS 51 is changed to allow the use of water ballast or canting keels for boats are rated as such.
- 1.7 RRS 52 is changed to allow powered winches in all PHRF classes.
- 1.8 RRS 52 is changed to allow autopilots in the Double-Handed class.

- 1.9 Boats racing with ORC ratings or PHRF-NE Double-Handed with Spinnaker ratings may also register with a secondary PHRF-NE fully crewed rating to be eligible for the Venona Trophy (overall winner) further 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 Race Committee will use YB Tracking to monitor competitors for the purposes of safety and race management. Boats will be required to carry a YB Tracking transponder that will be loaned by the race organizers. A refundable damage/loss deposit by check or credit card number, will be required for all boats that will be using YB Tracking hardware.
- 1.12 YB Trackers and sponsor provided race memorabilia will be available for pick up at the Race Office after 1000, Friday June 24, 2022.
- 1.13 Failure of a boat to pick up a YB Tracker will result in a 30 minute elapsed time penalty.
- 1.14 Failure of a boat equipped with a YB Tracker to continuously transmit on their YB Tracker will result in a 30 minute elapsed time penalty.
- 1.15 YB Trackers shall be returned to the Race Office upon completion of racing, but no later than 1300, Sunday, June 26, 2022. Failure to return the device shall result in the specified monetary charge for loss or non-return.
- 1.16 Special arrangements for individual boats to pick up and/or return YB Trackers at an alternate time or place must be coordinated with the Race Office at least one week prior to the event.
- 1.17 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 to such competitor.

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.
- 3.4 Additional PHRF-NE classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Race Committee) will be eligible in Non-Spinnaker, Double-Handed with Spinnaker, and Double-Handed Non-Spinnaker.
- 3.5 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.

- 3.6 Class and/or division changes may not be requested after 1730, Wednesday, June 15, 2022.
- 3.7 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form on www.YachtScoring.com 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, June 10, 2022.
- 3.8 A representative from each boat must check in by telephone (508) 627-4364, or in person at the Race Office.

4 FEES

- 4.1 The Registration fee for all classes is \$350. Late registrations will be subject to a \$100 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.
- 4.3 A refundable damage/loss deposit will be required for all boats for the YB Tracking hardware provided by the race organizer. A link to the deposit form will be provided on the www.Yachtscoring.com.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, June, 10, 2022	
1730 Deadline for early registration and payment	Online and Race Office
Wednesday, June 15, 2022	
1730 Deadline for late registration and payment	Online and Race Office
1730 Deadline for submission of rating certificates	Race Office
1730 Deadline for requesting class or division changes	Race Office
Friday, June 24, 2022	
1000-1700 Check-in	Telephone or Race Office
1000-1700 YB Tracker and memorabilia pick-up	Race Office
1700 Skipper's Meeting	Clubhouse
Mount Gay Welcome Party and Dinner	Clubhouse
1730 Deadline for submission of Liability Waivers	Online
Saturday, June 25, 2022	
0800 First Warning Signal	Starting Line
2400 Time limit expires	Finish Line
Sunday, June 26, 2022	
1100 Combined 'RTI/'RTB Awards Ceremony	Clubhouse
1300 Deadline for return of YB Trackers	Race Office

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, Wednesday, June 15, 2022. 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

Sailing Instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board no later than 1600, Friday, June 24, 2022.

8 VENUE

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 COURSE

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 boats to anchor while awaiting favorable conditions. Use of engines to safely navigate any part of this course will be a RRS 42 infraction and boats that engage their engines should retire or face disqualification.

10 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

- 10.1 The scoring penalty, RRS 44.3 will apply.
- 10.2 Additional alternative scoring penalties may be posted in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring will be ORC, PHRF-NE, and Multi-Hull. Within PHRF-NE, there will be four classes: Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, Double-Handed Spinnaker, and Double-Handed Non-Spinnaker. The organizing authority may further subdivide each of the classes or divisions at its discretion.
- 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 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 First, Second and Third place Prizes will be awarded in each class.
- 13.2 Special awards
 - The VENONA Trophy for the overall winner (the single best corrected PHRF-NE time) for boats with fully-crewed PHRF-NE spinnaker ratings. In the event of shortened courses where all classes are not finished at the same gate, only boats that complete the longest course are eligible for this award.
 - The CONCORD Cup for the monohull finisher with the lowest elapsed time.
 - RALPH D. OSBORNE Trophy for the innovative design finisher with the lowest elapsed time
 - The UPBEAT Cup for the overall winner of the fully-crewed non-spinnaker classes.**

- The EOLIS Bowl for the overall winner of the Double-Handed with Spinnaker classes.**
- ALEXANDER N. ORR Trophy for the overall winner of the Double-Handed without Spinnaker clases.**
- The HOBART A.H. COOK Award for the best corrected time among Service Academy entries.**
- The OCEAN RACE Trophy for the best corrected time among entries by EYC members.**
- A TEAM AWARD for the best corrected time of a 3-boat team 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.
- ** Criteria for determining corrected time for boats racing under different rating systems and/or different length courses will be subject to the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 13.3 Edgartown Race Weekend Award(s) will be given to the boat(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 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. 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.