

Riverside Yacht Club's
91th Annual
STRATFORD SHOAL RACE
Saturday, June 25, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

RULES

The race will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing (USS); the current PHRF regulations as administered by the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRALIS); the Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of the YRALIS; the rules of any fleet racing as a level or one design Division (except as any of these are altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions); the Notice of Race; and the Sailing Instructions.

Level and one-design classes will be responsible for administering their class rules.

Appendix T, Arbitration, applies.

In accordance with RRS 86, from sunset to sunrise the following shall be in effect (modifying RRS 11 & RRS 17):
When two boats are on the same *tack* and *overlapped* and within three overall lengths (of the longer boat) of each other, the boat being overtaken shall maintain her *proper course*. Both boats shall *keep clear*, and neither boat shall bear away toward or luff the other.

ELIGIBILITY

The race is open to offshore boats racing under PHRF, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and One-Design rules. A double-handed spinnaker division will be available if enough entries are received. Boats must be enrolled in the YRALIS or other USS association. The Race Committee reserves the right to reject any entry.

ENTRIES

Entries may be done on-line by visiting the [event's Yacht Scoring page](#) no later than Friday, June 24, 2022. A valid 2022 PHRF certificate is required. No alterations in a boat's PHRF rating will be permitted after the June 25th entry date. The entry fee is \$75.00. Boats will be organized by the Race Committee into separate racing divisions, Division 1, 2, 3, etc., for starting and award purposes, and boats shall race in their assigned division as specified on the scratch sheet. The Race Committee intends to create a Plus One division, if at least three boats have registered. Plus One boats will use their regular PHRF distance rating.

Division Flags for starting purposes shall be the numeral pennant corresponding to its Division number. Each boat shall fly from its backstay the numeral pennant corresponding to its Division number; in the case of unstayed masts from the stern pulpit. To assure proper fleet distribution, boats will be placed in divisions at the discretion of the Race Committee.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS & SCRATCH SHEET

Sailing Instructions will be available on the event's Yacht Scoring page. A Scratch Sheet assigning boats to a Division will be available on the page late Friday evening, June 24, 2022.

NOTICES

Notices to competitors may be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located at the head of the pier of Riverside Yacht Club prior to 0800 hours on the day of the race. Notices may also be posted online at event's Yacht Scoring page. Announcements may be broadcast on VHF channel 72.

START LINE

The start line will be between the staff displaying a orange flag on the Race Committee Boat and Red Nun "2" off Flat Neck Point.

START TIME

The first warning signal will be made at 1055 hours. The Sailing Instructions may contain provisions to delay the Start Time in advance.

COURSES

Each Division will be assigned to a course. Course X: Stratford Shoal Light Course, which is 45.7 nautical miles. Course Y: Cable and Anchor Course, which is 28.1 nautical miles. Course Z: Cable and Anchor Short Course, which is 17.3 nautical miles. Additional courses may be designated in the Sailing Instructions.

EQUIPMENT

Boats shall observe the current [US Sailing Special Equipment Requirements for Nearshore](#) races. Boats sailing double-handed may use autopilots. This modifies RRS 51.

SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A4 shall apply. One race is scheduled. PHRF divisions will be scored using PHRF Handicaps (as assigned by YRALIS) and the course distances as determined by the Race Committee.

PRIZES

Riverside Yacht Club's Stratford Shoal Race qualifies for YRALIS and Riverside Yacht Club trophies. RYC awards will include trophies and prizes for first, second and third place in each class with six or more entries; first and second with four or five entries, and first with less than four entries.

Perpetual trophies for yachts on the Stratford Shoal Light course will be awarded as follows: the Inverness Trophy to the first yacht to finish; the Commodore Blattman Trophy to the yacht with the best corrected time in all divisions. The remaining perpetuals will be award to the best corrected time in each of three perpetual trophy divisions: Commodore Sprague Trophy for the top half of the full crewed fleet, the Commodore Pierce Trophy for the bottom half of the full crewed fleet, and the Past Commodores Trophy for the short-handed fleet.

MOORINGS

There is limited availability for dock space or moorings at Riverside Yacht Club. Space will be assigned on a first come first served basis upon arrival Friday morning, 6/24. If you have any questions please contact Captain Jeff at rycwaterways@gmail.com.

WEB PAGE

All regatta information and results will be posted to [event's Yacht Scoring page](#).

RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMPETITORS

In consideration of the sponsorship of this event and the acceptance of the participant's entry by the Riverside Yacht Club (the "Sponsor"), each participant hereby agrees that the safety of his/her yacht and crew, and the decision whether to start or continue to race, is his/her responsibility and not the responsibility of the Sponsor. Each participant hereby waives all claims, including, without limitation, any claim in respect of assistance given or not given, and any claim for any injury or damage resulting from such participation, which he/she may have against the Sponsor and its governors, officers, members, committees, employees, agents or volunteers arising out of or in any way connected with his/her participation in this event or any related activity undertaken or not taken by any of them in conjunction with, prior to, during or after this event. Each participant represents to the Sponsor that he/she carries adequate property and liability insurance, that he/she will inform his/her insurance carrier of the foregoing waiver, and that he/she will inform all crew members of their responsibilities for safety. Each participant further agrees that the foregoing waiver is binding on his/her heirs, representatives, successors and assigns.

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