

# **Notice of Race**

American Yacht Club 43<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spring Regatta and IC37 East Coast Championship April 23, 24, 29, 30 & May 1, 2022

Organizing Authority: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY

## 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. US Sailing Special Equipment Requirement (USSER) for **Nearshore** races shall apply.
- 1.3. The IMS and ORC Rating Systems Rules apply to **ORC classes**.
- 1.4. The regatta is designated as **Level 2 under J/105** class rule 3.4, and **Level A under J/105** class rule 3.6. The J/105 **Fleet Six junior exemption** (Article 9.8) shall apply.
- 1.5. For the **Doublehanded** class only, RRS 52 is changed by adding: However, the rudder may be adjusted and operated by an autopilot using power that is not provided by the crew.
- 1.6. Boats shall keep clear of commercial shipping as required by the IRPCAS or other government right-of-way rules. The penalty for breaking this rule may be disqualification, which also may be non-excludable, from one or more races or from the series.
- 1.7. For the IC37 class only: This regatta shall be designated as a B Regatta in accordance with IC37CR H.3.2 (b).

#### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to boats of the **ORC, YRALIS PHRF, IC37, J/70, J/88, J/105, J/109, and J/44** classes. Other One Design classes may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 2.2. Short Course Racing (Windward/Leeward): Boats may choose to race in one of the following classes:
  - a) ORC Fleet: Boats shall have a valid ORCi or ORC Club certificate, and a GPH rating of 660 or less.
  - b) One Design
- 2.3. Coastal Racing (Government Marks): Boats may choose to race in one of the following classes:
  - a) PHRF: Boats shall have a valid YRALIS PHRF certificate with a rating of 165 or less.
    - o A sub-class "PHRF Non-Spinnaker" will be scored for boats racing without using a spinnaker.
  - b) **ORC Doublehanded**: Boats shall have a valid **ORC DH certificate**.
- 2.4. ORCi, ORC Club, ORC DH, and PHRF Rating Certificates must be available on the issuing Rating Authority's website no later than 1800 on Thursday, April 21, 2022.
- 2.5. Online registration and electronic entry fee payment are available on the **regatta website** at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14983.
- 2.6. The entry form, entry fee, and rating certificate (when applicable) shall be submitted online on or before 1800 on Saturday, April 16, 2022. Late entries along with late fees may be accepted until 1800 on Thursday, April 21, with permission from the OA. No entries will be accepted after 1800 on Thursday, April 21.
- 2.7. All competitors shall complete and submit the online liability waiver prior to the close of entries.

## 3. FEES

- 3.1. The entry fee for **ORC Fleet and One Design** is \$250.
- 3.2. The entry fee for PHRF, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and ORC Doublehanded is \$200.
- 3.3. The entry fee for the **IC37 East Coast Championship** is \$250. This entry fee includes optional racing for the IC37 on the first weekend of the Spring Regatta, April 23 and 24, in One Design or ORC Fleet, depending on the number of participants.
- 3.4. Late entry fee: A late fee of \$50 will be charged for entries received after 1800 on Saturday, April 16.
- 3.5. Administration fee: Boats withdrawing after 1800 on Saturday, April 16, and before 1800 on Thursday, April 21, will be refunded their entry fee minus a \$25 administration fee. Boats withdrawing after 1800 on Thursday, April 21, will not receive a refund.

- 3.6. Late rating certificate fee: A late certificate fee of \$50 will be charged for rating certificates filed after 1800 on Saturday, April 16. No certificates or changes to certificates will be accepted after 1800 on Thursday, April 21 without the permission of the OA.
- 3.7. Boats may also enter the American Yacht Club Fall Regatta (scheduled for September 24, 25 and October 1, 2, 2022) at the same time by so indicating on the online entry. The combined fee is \$400 for ORC Fleet and One Design or \$300 for PHRF, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and ORC Doublehanded before 1800 on Saturday, April 16, 2022. The combined fee is \$450 for ORC Fleet and One Design or \$350 for PHRF, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, and ORC Doublehanded thereafter.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1. Racing for all classes is scheduled for April 23, 24, 30, and May 1, 2022.
- 4.2. Racing for the IC37 East Coast Championship is scheduled for April 29, 30, and May 1, 2022.
- 4.3. The first warning signal on each day will be based on the weather forecast and will be at **1055** or **1255**. The Race Committee will announce by text message and post on the regatta website the time of the first warning signal by 1900 on the day before each day of racing.
- 4.4. For the **Short Course Racing** classes, multiple races per day are scheduled.
- 4.5. For the Coastal Racing classes, one race per day is scheduled.

## 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on the regatta website by 1200 on the day before the first race.

#### 6. VENUE

Races will be conducted on three separate courses from starting areas located approximately mid-Sound, south, southeast, or east of Milton Point, Rye, New York. The approximate positions of the starting areas will be announced approximately 40 minutes prior to the first warning signal each day for all classes on their respective VHF channels.

## 7. COURSES

- 7.1. **Short Course Racing** classes will sail windward-leeward courses with drop marks.
- 7.2. Coastal Racing classes shall sail daytime distance courses around government and drop marks.

## 8. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1. RRS Appendix T shall apply.
- 8.2. For all classes except the IC37: US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Rule V1 shall apply.
- 8.3. For the IC37 Class **ONLY**: RRS 44.1 is changed so the penalty shall be a one-turn penalty including one tack and one gybe.
- 8.4. Rule 61 will be changed to require boats to notify the Race Committee of their intent to protest.

## 9. SCORING

- 9.1. One Race is required to constitute a series.
- 9.2. When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes IC37CR H.3.1 (d) and (e).
- 9.3. Scoring for ORC Fleet will use Windward/Leeward ToT Triple Number ratings, and scoring in the ORC Doublehanded class will use All Purpose ToT Triple Number ratings shown on their certificates.
- 9.4. Scoring for PHRF will use ToD and the Distance rating shown on their certificates.
- 9.5. The series score for the Spring Regatta shall be based on race scores from April 23, 24, 30, and May 1, 2022.
- 9.6. The series score for the IC37 East Coast Championship shall be based on race scores from April 29, 30, and May 1, 2022.

#### 10. CLASSES

Boats will be placed into classes (designated by numbers 1, 2, 3, etc.) at the discretion of the Race Committee. A listing of entrants by class and starting area (south, southeast, or east of Milton Point) will be available on the regatta website by 1200 on the day before the first race and from the Race Committee support boats in the starting areas. Each boat shall display the numeral pennant for its class on its permanent backstay or, in the absence of a permanent backstay, from its stern rail. [DP]

## 11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels 16, 68, 69, and 71. Except in an emergency or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall neither make nor receive any type of electronic communication while racing that is not freely available to all boats. [DP]

#### 12. PRIZES

Series prizes for each class will be awarded as follows: first place prize for two or more entries; second place for four or more; and third place for six or more. The RAMPANT, 1888 and EDWARD RICHARDS TROPHIES will be awarded to the boats which, in the judgment of the Race Committee, have the best performance in the PHRF, One Design, and ORC divisions respectively. The ROGER SHERMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY will be awarded to the boat which, in the judgment of the Race Committee, has the best combined performance in the Spring Regatta and Fall Regatta.

## 13. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasors") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water, injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Releasors also agree, understand and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis, and death, whether by drowning or otherwise, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasors forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasors now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasors' participation in such sailing events (including contracting communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasors agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19), damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

#### 14. OTHER DOCUMENTS

Additional documents are located at <a href="https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14983">https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14983</a>.

#### 15. CONTACT INFORMATION

American Yacht Club, 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY 10580 Website: <a href="https://www.americanyc.org">www.americanyc.org</a> Phone: (914) 967-4800 Email: <a href="https://www.americanyc.org">aycrc@americanyc.org</a> Fax: (914) 967-5340

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A limited number of guest moorings will be available. Reservations are required. Contact Bud Puterbaugh, AYC Harbor Captain by email (<a href="mailto:bputerbaugh@americanyc.org">bputerbaugh@americanyc.org</a>) for rates and availability.

American Yacht Club cordially extends the privileges of the Clubhouse and harbor to participants before and after the race