



NOTICE OF RACE

GHYC CHALLENGE REGATTA 2023

July 16, 2023 – Nantucket, MA

1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* including Appendix V (Alternative Penalties).
- 1.2 All competitors will be required to sign a waiver prior to the event.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 Entry to the regatta is by invitation from the OA. Invitees shall confirm their acceptance via email to econway@ghyc.com and by registering on [the event's Yachtscoring page](#). Registration deadline is Sunday, July 9, 2023. Late entries will be accepted, subject to a \$25 late fee.
- 2.2 The regatta will be sailed in Rhodes 19 centerboard boats supplied by GHYC, NYC, and others. All boats will be approved by the Organizing Authority.
- 2.3 Teams will consist of three sailors and all competitors must be Corinthian sailors. Any crew changes must be approved by the Organizing Authority.

3. Fees

- 3.1 The Regatta entry fee is \$100 per team. The late fee is \$25.00.
- 3.2 The entry fee will cover boat charter fee, awards party and event prizes.
- 3.3 Damage Deposit. All teams are required to provide \$250 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by check payable to GHYC or credit card information at registration. The deposit is per-incident, per-boat maximum. If a team has more than one incident, or damages more than one boat, it is liable for up to \$250 for each boat damaged per incident. After the conclusion of the regatta, the deposit will be returned, less any deductions for loss of damage incurred during the regatta.

4. Schedule of Events

- 4.1 Racing is scheduled for Sunday, July 16, 2023.
- 4.2 Boat rotation draw will commence at 0945 at GHYC. One rotation draw is planned.
- 4.3 Competitors' meeting will be at 1000 at GHYC.
- 4.4 First gun is scheduled for no later than 1130.
- 4.5 No race started after 1500. Awards are scheduled immediately post racing at GHYC.

5. Sailing Instructions

Sailing instructions will be posted on [the event's Yachtscoring page](#) by July 9, 2023.

6. Equipment

- 6.1 The regatta will be sailed in Rhodes 19 centerboard boats supplied by the Organizing Authority.
- 6.2 Boats, mainsails, jibs and spinnakers will be provided for racing by the OA.
- 6.3 All boats used for the regatta will be inspected prior to the regatta. Boats will be tuned universally, and bottoms cleaned by the OA.
- 6.4 No boat shall be modified, tuned or caused to be modified without permission of the OA.
- 6.5 All competitors must bring their own PFD and VHF radio. No electronic equipment may be used during racing capable of providing tactical or navigational information. Compasses are allowed.

7. Venue

The racing venue will be Nantucket Harbor. Exact racing area will be announced at the competitors meeting and posted on the official Notice Board.

8. Courses

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions

9. Penalty System

When the "Y" flag is flown from the Race Committee Signal Boat prior to the warning:

9.1 The Turns Penalties of RRS V1 are replaced by the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3.

9.2 Personal flotation devices are mandatory for all competitors.

9.3 No spinnakers will be allowed.

10. Scoring

10.1 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will be used for scoring.

10.2 One completed race constitutes a regatta.

10.3 When more than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

11. Radio Communication

Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

12. Prizes

12.1 Regatta awards will be presented immediately following racing at the Award Ceremony at GHYC.

12.2 Prizes will be given to the skipper and crews of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams.

12.3 Overall winner will have club name and skipper and crew names on the perpetual GHYC Challenge Trophy.

13. Clean Regatta



This regatta is a Sailors for the Sea Certified Gold Level "Clean Regatta." Great Harbor Yacht Club is committed to maintaining Nantucket's clean waters and shores. All participants are encouraged to follow the goals and requirements of the Clean Regattas program.

14. Disclaimer of Liability

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Great Harbor Yacht Club, individual boat owners, Race Committee, Protest Committee, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any person sustained as a result of participation in the GHYC Challenge Regatta. By participating in the GHYC Challenge Regatta, each competitor (skippers, crews, and support persons) agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in the GHYC Challenge Regatta to the fullest extent permitted by law.

15. Further Information

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