



Barrington Yacht Club

Charles V. Cox Memorial Series – 2023

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Notice of Race (NoR)

The notation "[NP]" as it appears in a rule of the sailing instructions means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Skippers Meeting, including Safety and Rules Review: May 9, 1830 hours

Race Dates: May 16, 23, 30; June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; September 5, 12
Fall Series (does not count for season standings): September 19, 26

1. RULES

- a) The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- b) [NP] All boats shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER). Requirements can be downloaded at <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Monohull-SER-2022.0-Nearshore.pdf>
- c) [NP] Each boat should have a representative at the Skippers meeting, which will include a Safety and Rules review

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a) Sailing instructions will be available by 1800 on May 16, 2023 and will be posted on the Yachtscoring event page, which can be accessed from a link on <https://barringtonyc.com/race>

3. COMMUNICATION

- a) The official online notice board is located on the Yachtscoring event page
- b) [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 72 and 16
- c) On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 72
- d) [NP] Before each race, all boats are required to physically check in with the race committee.
- e) From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- a) The event is open to all boats with valid 2023 PHRF certificates from PHRF-NB.
 - i. The copy of the PHRF-NB certificate under which a boat will be racing shall be provided to the RC via email or by hand delivery of a hard copy to the BYC office.
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- b) The PHRF Time on Distance applies to boats racing under PHRF
- c) Classes are defined as follows:
 - i. Spinnaker: Class SPHRF
 - ii. Non-Spinnaker: APHRF
 - iii. One Design: The J-29 class and/or any other one design class with at least 5 boats
- d) Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration form on Yachtscoring and submitting it, together with all required fees, by May 13th
- e) Late entries will be accepted at the sole discretion of the race committee and require payment of applicable late fees

5. FEES

- a) Full season registration fee : \$225 for BYC Members and \$250 for BYC non-members
- b) Late fee (payable if registration deadline is missed): \$35
- c) Fee adjustments, including any required because of government regulations, will be announced at least 5 days prior to any new registration deadline

6. ADVERTISING

- a) Advertising shall be in accordance with Regulation 20 in the World Sailing Advertising code
- b) Boats will not be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority

7. SCHEDULE

- a) Skippers meeting Tuesday, May 9 at 1830
- b) Tuesday evenings May 16 through September 26, excluding July 4
 - i. For races in May, June, July, and August the first warning signal will be at 1830
 - ii. For races in September the first warning signal will be at 1800

8. BOAT AND EQUIPMENT CHECKS

- a) Each boat shall produce a valid PHRF-NB rating certificate with their application

9. RACING AREA

- a) The event venue is the Barrington Yacht Club
- b) The racing area is the northern portion of Narragansett Bay.

10. COURSES

- a) Courses will use either drop marks, fixed (government) marks or a combination thereof
- b) Details regarding drop marks that may be used and a list of government navigational aids can be found in the Sailing Instructions (SIs)

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- a) RRS VI and V2 apply

12. SCORING

- a) The scoring system is as follows:
 - i. The Low Point Scoring System is as described in Appendix A will be used. A5.3 will apply.
 - ii. The scores for 17 races (May 16, 23, 30; June 6, 13, 20, 27; July 11, 18, 25; August 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; September 5, 12) will constitute "the series".
 - The results from races on September 19 and 26 will not be included in scoring the series.
 - b) Exclusions
 - i. If 17 races are started, a boat's score for the series will be the total of her race scores excluding her 5 worst scores.
 - ii. If 15 to 16 races are started, a boat's score for the series will be the total of her race scores
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- excluding her 4 worst scores.
- iii. If 13 to 14 races are started, a boat's score for the series will be the total of her race scores excluding her 3 worst scores.
- iv. If 11 to 12 races are started, a boat's score for the series will be the total of her race scores excluding her 2 worst scores.
- c) [NP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- d) A DSQ assigned by a protest committee will be scored DNE.

13. AWARDS

- a) Awards for racing will be given by the race committee at Barrington Yacht Club as follows
 - i. Awards will be presented to the top 3 finishers in each class for the for each evening and for the season.
- b) Perpetual Awards will be presented to the top finisher in each class for the season whose name will be listed on the appropriate award plaque in the Barrington Yacht Club clubhouse

14. RISK STATEMENTS

- a) 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
 - b) The race area utilizes navigable waters shared by commercial traffic and other stakeholders
 - c) The right of way of commercial traffic and other vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver is absolute
 - d) [NP] A commercial vessel sounding a danger signal (5 or more horn blasts) shall subject the offending boat to be protested by the Race Committee
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