



EDGARTOWN RACE WEEKEND ***'ROUND-THE-SOUND RACES***

June 20-21, 2024
The Edgartown Yacht Club
Edgartown, Massachusetts

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Race Committee will publish a scratch sheet listing the class breakdowns, the boats assigned to each class, and the class flags. The order of starts will be published as an addendum to the Sailing Instructions. These will be posted on the online Official Notice Board by 1600 on Wednesday, June 19, 2024. The responsibility of the assignment of a boat to a class resides solely with the Race Committee.
- 1.2 The Official Notice Board shall be located on Yacht Scoring at <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16270>.
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will be the authoritative document. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.2 A skippers' meeting for the 'Round-the-Sound races will be held at 1700 on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at the EYC Clubhouse.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted before 0800 on the day they will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of the race will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 3.2 In the event of a Shore Postponement (flag AP), changes to the Sailing Instructions can be made up until 15 minutes before AP is hauled down.
- 3.3 Oral changes to the Sailing Instructions may be given on the water on VHF Channel 72 per RRS 90.2(c).

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the Club station mast.
- 4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 minute” is replaced with “not less than 60 minutes” in the race signal AP. When a class flag is displayed with the AP, it applies to that class only.

5 COURSES

- 5.1 Courses will be chosen by the Race Committee each day based upon forecasted weather and current conditions.
- 5.2 Courses will be described on an Addendum to the Sailing Instructions.
- 5.3 Different courses may be assigned by class and/or division.
- 5.4 Each day’s course(s) will be published on the Official Notice Board no later than 0900 on the day of racing.

6 THE START

- 6.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange-colored flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end of the line.
- 6.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area while other classes are in start sequence.
- 6.3 A boat starting later than five minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 6.4 If any part of the boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast its sail number on VHF channel 72. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 6.5 The starting signal boat may use a “stand-off” buoy at the starting line. The “stand-off” buoy is considered part of the committee boat.
- 6.6 When at a boat’s starting signal she is subject to RRS 29.1 *Individual Recall* and she fails to comply with RRS 29.1 to start correctly, the Race Committee shall, without a hearing, apply a corrected time penalty of 5 minutes and she shall be deemed to have started correctly. Should the Race Committee consider this penalty to be inappropriate, it shall protest the boat. This changes RRS 28.1, RRS 63.1, and A5.

7 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end of the line and the course side of an inflatable mark at the port end.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 RRS 44.3, *Scoring Penalty*, will be in effect. A yacht taking a scoring penalty shall notify the Race Committee within 5 minutes of finishing. The requirement to display a yellow flag is waived. The Scoring Penalty shall be a 2 percent addition to its corrected time. This changes RRS 44.3(a), (b), and (c).
- 8.2 RRS Appendix V2 *Post-Race Penalties*, will be in effect. A Post-Race Penalty shall be a 4 percent addition to its corrected time. This changes RRS V2(b).
- 8.3 The protest committee may impose penalties other than disqualification, including time penalties, for breaches of a rule other than RRS 2, 31, or rules of RRS Part 2. This is a change to RRS 64.2.

9 TIME LIMIT

Boats failing to finish within 4 hours of their start will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

10 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 10.1 A yacht intending to protest is requested to report its intent to protest to the Race Committee signal boat within 5 minutes following its finish. Such notification will include the sail number of the boat being protested.
- 10.2 Electronic protest forms are available on the Official Notice Board. Paper protest forms are available at the Race Committee office. All protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered in-person to the Race Committee office within the appropriate time limit.
- 10.3 The protest and request for redress time limit is 1 hour after the Race Committee signal boat arrives at their dock. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and the Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 10.4 Notices will be posted electronically on the Official Notice Board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 10.5 Protests will be heard in the EYC Wardroom starting 30 minutes after the protest time limit expires. This is subject to modification by the Chief Judge on a case-by-case basis.
- 10.6 Requests for scoring reviews must be submitted electronically, in person, or by calling the EYC Race Office no later than the protest time limit. This deadline may be extended on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Race Committee or Protest Committee.
- 10.7 The US Prescription to RRS 63.2 will be met by posting the hearing time and place and the reason for the request for redress on the Official Notice Board.

11 SCORING

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 a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(b).

12 SAFETY

- 12.1 Boats shall refer to the Safety and Emergency Protocol information provided on the Official Notice Board and follow the prescribed procedures to the best of their ability.
- 12.2 Prior to the first warning signal each boat will contact the Race Committee as they pass Edgartown R "8" on VHF Channel 73, and check in by announcing to the Race Committee its name, class, sail number, and number of souls on board. The Race Committee will respond with the sail number heard. Upon completion of check-in, boats shall shift their radios back to VHF Channel 72 for the duration of the race.
- 12.3 The Chappaquiddick Ferry shall be considered "Restricted in her ability to maneuver," as defined in COLREGS Rule 18, and as such has the right-of-way over power driven and sailing vessels underway.
- 12.4 Any boat withdrawing before the start or retiring during the Race for any reason SHALL NOTIFY THE RACE COMMITTEE on VHF Channel 72.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 13.1 Radio communications between competitors and the Race Committee will be on VHF Channel 72, with the exception of check-in on VHF Channel 73.
- 13.2 Boats being raced double-handed may make intra-boat radio communications while racing.
- 13.4 Except in an emergency or to communicate with the Race Committee, 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.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1 Prizes will be awarded as described in the Notice of Race at 0900 on Sunday, June 23, 2024.
- 14.2 The Organizing Authority may choose to hold the Awards Ceremony on schedule despite protests, redress requests, and scoring inquiries that may remain unresolved.

15 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, www.edgartownyc.org