



IDA LEWIS YACHT CLUB



NEWPORT CLASSIC YACHT REGATTA

Presented by NYCR

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Including Amendments 1 & 2

Newport, RI

August 31-September 1, 2024

The Newport Classic Yacht Regatta presented by NYCR (NYCR) is part of the 2024 Classic Yacht Challenge Series.

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY: The Organizing Authority (OA) for the Newport Classic Yacht Regatta presented by NYCR (NYCR) is the Ida Lewis Yacht Club.

1. RULES

1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, and the 2024 Classic Yachts Challenge Notice of Series.

1.2. The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 81 are deleted.

1.3. For the purposes of rules 14 and 44.1, any contact between boats shall be considered serious damage. This changes rule 44.1.

1.4. A boat making contact with the Race Committee signal boat or the buoys attached to the signal boat at any time and not exonerated will be scored DSQ for that race without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

1.5. In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SI), the SI shall prevail. This changes rule 63.7.

1.6 Crew Waiver: No crew shall be aboard a boat while racing unless he/she has executed an online Crew Waiver Form available on the Newport Classic Yacht Regatta Website. Registration will not be complete without receipt of a Crew Waiver Form from each person competing.

2. NOTICE to COMPETITORS. Notices to competitors, including protest notices, will be posted on the official notice board located at https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS. Any changes in the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board before 0830 hrs on the day they are to take effect; except any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the NYCR flagpole.

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in the race signal AP; and an announcement regarding the Race Committee intentions will be made on VHF channel 79A.

5. SCHEDULE

Saturday, August 31

0730-0900 Check-in for NCYR at Restoration Hall at IYRS, Newport

0900 RC will announce rendezvous location for the day on **VHF Channel 79A**

0930 Mandatory Skippers' Meeting in Restoration Hall, IYRS

1155 First Warning Signal

The Race Committee intends to run 2 races for the handicap divisions and up to three races for the one design classes.

Sunday, September 1

0900 RC will announce rendezvous location for the day on **VHF Channel 79A**

1015 Classic Yacht Parade

1155 First Warning Signal

The race Committee intends to run 1 race for the handicap divisions and no more than two races for the one design classes.

1800-2100 NCYR Awards Ceremony and Cocktail Party at IYRS Newport

6. CLASS FLAGS

An amendment will be issued and posted on the Official Notice Board (https://yachtscoring.com/notice_board_summary.cfm) Saturday, August 31 no later than 0830 listing the starting classes, anticipated starting order, ratings if applicable and class flags. Please be aware that boats in different divisions may be in the same start, and that not all the boats in a division may be in the same start.

6.1. Each boat shall start in the starting class they are assigned.

6.2. While racing, each boat (except for the one design classes) shall display the numerical pennant for her respective starting class from her backstay no less than six (6) feet above the deck.

7. CHECK IN AND RETIREMENT

7.1. Prior to the first warning signal, all boats shall check in with the Race Committee by hailing the Race Committee on **VHF CHANNEL 69** with their boat name and sail number until the Race Committee affirmatively responds

7.2. Boats retiring shall inform the Race Committee by contacting them on **VHF Channel 79A**.

8. RACING AREA

8.1. The waters of Narragansett Bay and Rhode Island Sound.

8.2. The Rendezvous Areas are as follows:

A: 1/8 NM South of Rose Island; or

B: 1/8 NM South of Gould Island

C: For H 12 ½ Fleet Between Goat and Rose Islands

9. THE COURSES

9.1. The courses:

9.1.a For all divisions, other than the One Design Divisions, will be navigator courses chosen by the Race Committee using the South Bay Race Chart (a copy of which will be available at the Skippers Meeting) buoys plus the additional marks listed below.

9.1.b. One Design Division will include drop marks and marks selected from the South Bay Race Chart.

9.2. The Course for each starting group will be posted on a white board on the starboard side of the Race Committee Signal Boat no later than the warning signal and will be announced on VHF channel 79A.

9.3 Additional marks not displayed on the South Bay Race Chart

9.3.a Special Mark #1

9.3.b Special Mark #2

9.3.c Special Mark #3

9.3.d Special Mark #4

Special Mark Description: The Race Committee may elect to position a special mark which will be a yellow tetrahedron to achieve a particular course configuration. If used, the distance and bearing to the special mark from the committee boat or from the prior mark will be displayed below the course. In some cases, the direct line from the committee boat to the special mark may be across land.

Marks for each course will be posted on a white board from the committee boat in order of rounding, with the subscript for each mark designating the required side, P means leave to Port, S means leave to starboard. The race committee will also announce the courses on VHF 79A.

Other Marks to be Observed: Passage under the Newport Pell Bridge and/or Jamestown Verrazano Bridge shall be made through the center span only. For purposes of RRS 32.2(c), the center span of both bridges shall be considered gates.

10. THE START

10.1 CRF Handicap Classes

10.1.a Will be started in accordance with RRS 26.

10.1.b The starting line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby mark.

10.1.c Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area during the starting sequence for other starting groups.

10.1.d A boat that does not start within 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10.2 Herreshoff 12 ½ Class

10.2.a Will be started using the Audible-Signal Racing System. See Appendix A.

10.2.b The starting line will be between the orange flag on the committee boat and the nearby mark.

10.2.c. A boat that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start ("DNS") without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

11. THE FINISH

11.1 The finish on Saturday and Sunday will be in approximately the same location as the start.

11.2

11.2.a If Course 3 is announced and displayed the finish line will be between a staff flying a blue flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side on a nearby finish mark.

11.2b If Course 4 is announced and displayed, the finish line will be a separate line set approximately .2 NM from and on the opposite side of the starting line from the Race Committee anchored signal boat; and will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a separate Race Committee vessel and a nearby finish mark.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1. For the CRF Handicap Classes:

12.1.a The Scoring Penalty of rule 44.3 will apply. The penalty shall be 20% of the number of boats entered in the applicable division. The minimum penalty shall be 2 places.

12.1.b. Appendix V2 applies to

12.2 For the Herreshoff 12 ½ Class Appendix V (1 & 2) applies.

12.2. The penalty, if any, for a violation of a rule other than a rule of Part 2, shall be at the sole discretion of the Protest Committee, and may be other than disqualification. This changes rule 64.1.

13. TIME LIMIT The time limit for each class other than one design classes shall be 4 hours. The time limit for one design classes shall be 2 hours.

14. PROTESTS

14.1. A yacht shall report its intention to protest another yacht to the Race Committee in person or on VHF Channel 79A upon finishing the race in which the incident in question occurred. This modifies RRS 61.1 (a).

14.2. Protest forms will be available from the Protest Secretary located at IYRS. Written protests shall be submitted as soon as possible, but no later than one hour after the docking of the Race Committee Signal Boat. The protest time limit will be posted on the Official Notice Board.

14.3. Protest notices will be posted as soon as possible and the Protest Committee will attempt to hear protests in the order of receipt. Representatives of yachts who are parties to a hearing shall remain on call in the vicinity of Restoration Hall at IYRS.

14.4. When a yacht has been involved in an incident that may be subject to protest, it is her responsibility to check the protest notices at the end of the protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest. Failure of any yacht to appear when called for a hearing will be considered by the Protest Committee as grounds for proceeding under RRS 63.3(b).

14.5. RRS 63.5 is modified by adding, "A protest involving contact may be heard by the Protest Committee even if the requirements of RRS 61.1 (a) and 61.3 have not been fulfilled."

14.6. Rating protests must be filed by 0800 on Saturday, August 31, 2024.

15. SCORING

15.1. One completed race constitutes a series.

15.2. A boat's series score will be the total of all her race scores.

15.3. Handicap classes will be scored based on 2024 CRF time on distance ratings.

15.4. One - Design and Formula classes will be scored level.

15.5. Boats eligible for the CYC Series will be scored in accordance with the 2024 CYC Regulations.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

16.1. All boats must carry a radio capable of making and receiving VHF transmissions.

16.2. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats.

16.3. The Race Committee will make announcements concerning postponements, courses, premature starters, etc., on VHF Channel 79A. Failure of competitors to receive or hear such announcements will not be grounds for redress.

17. SAFETY All boats not within their starting sequence must stay well clear of the starting area. Boats failing to comply with this requirement may be protested by the Race Committee and risk a penalty assigned by the Protest Committee.

18. INFORMATION Additional information is available in the Notice of Race or may be received from Jenny Holmqvist, 401-207-9321 or events@iyr.edu.

Appendix A

Audible-Signal Racing System

APPENDIX U-AUDIBLE-SIGNAL RACING SYSTEM

This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

US Sailing prescribes that when the notice of race or sailing instructions so state the Audible-Signal Racing System described below shall be used. It is recommended primarily for small-boat racing or when race committee resources are limited. Rules in this appendix replace rule 26 and permit changes to Race Signals and the corresponding rules in Part 3.

- U1** Any Race Signal may be made by hailing, in which case the corresponding visual signal may also be used, but not its designated sound signal.
- U2** A series of short sounds may be made at any time to call attention to a hail or a visual signal.
- U3** The starting sequence shall consist of the following sound signals made at the indicated times. These signals shall be timed from their commencement and shall govern, even if visual signals are also used.

<i>Signal</i>	<i>Sound</i>	<i>Time before start</i>
Attention	Series of short sounds	Before the warning
Warning	3 long	3 minutes
Preparatory	2 long	2 minutes
	1 long, 3 short	1 minute, 30 seconds
	1 long	1 minute
	3 short	30 seconds
	2 short	20 seconds
	1 short	10 seconds
	5 short, 1 second apart	5 – 4 – 3 – 2 – 1 seconds

Appendix 2

H 12 1/2 Course- W4 (4 Legs)

