



ESSEX YACHT CLUB

# The Sam Wetherill Trophy Overnight Race

Presented by

Essex Yacht Club

Friday August 18, 2017

## Notice of Race

<b>Organizing Club</b>	The Essex Yacht Club
<b>Date</b>	Friday August 18, 2017
<b>Rules</b>	The race will be governed by <i>The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017–2020</i> , the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association and the Sailing Instructions. The Essex Yacht Club strongly recommends entrants comply with the <i>US Safety Equipment Requirements for Coastal Races</i> available at <a href="http://www.ussailing.org">www.ussailing.org</a> or the event website at <a href="http://www.yachtscoring.com">www.yachtscoring.com</a> .
<b>Eligibility</b>	The regatta is open to yachts with a valid 2017 ECSA PHRF Certificate. Yachts must be completely decked with a watertight cockpit, fitted with permanent berths capable of sleeping at least half her racing crew, and with an adequate galley.
<b>Entries</b>	Entries must be made and entry fees paid on the event website at <a href="http://www.yachtscoring.com">www.yachtscoring.com</a> . Entries must be received by 1200 hours on Thursday August 17, 2017. The Race Committee may accept or reject entries made after this deadline at its sole discretion. The entry fee is \$40 per yacht (\$35 for members of USSA). Entries must have a valid 2017 ECSA PHRF rating certificate on the ECSA website ( <a href="http://www.ecsa.net">www.ecsa.net</a> ).
<b>Classes</b>	There will be spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes. Classes will be determined at the discretion of the Race Committee and may be combined.
<b>Sailing Instructions</b>	Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skipper's Meeting at Essex Yacht Club at 1800 hours on Thursday August 17, 2017 and on the event website at <a href="http://www.yachtscoring.com">www.yachtscoring.com</a> .
<b>Schedule</b>	The First Warning will be at 1900 hours.
<b>Start &amp; Finish</b>	The Start and the Finish will be located approximately ¼ mile west of the Old Saybrook Outer Light.
<b>Courses</b>	The course selected will be signaled prior to the Start. Primary Course A: From the Start around Block Island leaving Block Island and Bell "1B" to port and thence to the Finish. Alternate Course B: From the Start around government mark GR "BIS" (approx. 7 miles NE of Montauk Light) to port and thence to the Finish. Yachts shall not pass Bell R "8" off the Connecticut River to the north on any leg of the course.
<b>Time Limit</b>	There is no time limit for finishing.
<b>Scoring</b>	Boats will be scored using PHRF Time on Time handicaps. This race is an ECSA Offshore Circuit Bonus Points race.
<b>Results/Awards</b>	Results and awards will be presented at the Essex Yacht Club at 1800 hours on Sunday August 20, 2017.
<b>Moorings/Dockage</b>	Moorings and dockage are available on a first come- first served basis at the Essex Yacht Club. Call the EYC Waterfront Manager at (860) 767-8121 for details.