



EYC BIG BOAT EVENT

July 27, 2012

***The Edgartown Yacht Club
Edgartown, Massachusetts***

NOTICE OF RACE

The Officers and Members of the Edgartown Yacht Club invite you to participate in the EYC Big Boat Event. This race was conceived as a tune-up race for the 'Round-the-Island Race, which will be sailed on July 28, 2012, but entry in that race is not a prerequisite. A separate entry form for this race is required of all boats.

1. RULES

The EYC BIG BOAT EVENT Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*; either the PHRF New England Rule (Double-Handed, PHRF-NB) or the IRC Rule, and the class rules for eligible one-design classes.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- 3.1 Boats entered must be owned by, or under charter to, members of US SAILING or of yacht clubs affiliated with US SAILING.
- 3.2 Boats must be a minimum of 28 feet LOA.
- 3.3 Class sizes will be limited to not fewer than three boats, subject to exceptions made by the Race Committee and the decision of the Committee as to the acceptance of any entry or the constitution of any class or division will be at the entire discretion of the Race Committee and will not be subject to protest, recourse, or appeal.
- 3.4 Classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Edgartown Yacht Club) will be eligible in Double-Handed, Multi-Hull, and One Design Classes.
- 3.5 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form and sending it to the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee, One Dock Street, PO Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539 on or before 1600 hrs. Thursday, July 26, 2012.
- 3.6 The Edgartown Yacht Club may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry.

3.7 Each boat shall fly from her back stay at least five feet above the deck an international code flag numeral pennant corresponding to the number of the class to which she has been assigned. This pennant shall be flown from the time of warning signal for the relevant class until the boat has finished and cleared the finishing area. Only the Race Committee may protest a boat for breaking this requirement (this changes Rule 60). The penalty for breaking this requirement will be an adjustment increasing her corrected time for scoring purposes by one minute.

4. FEES

There is no fee for this optional event.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Races will be held Friday, July 27, 2012 with the first warning signal at 1000 hrs. The number of races sailed will be determined by the Race Committee. Prizes will be awarded at the Mount Gay sponsored party, Friday evening. There will be no skipper's meeting.

6. MEASUREMENTS

Each boat participating in IRC or PHRF shall produce a valid endorsed or unendorsed IRC certificate, or a PHRF-NE (Double-Handed, PHRF-NB) certificate, on or before 1600 hrs. Thursday, July 26, 2012. Boats holding both PHRF and IRC ratings may be dual registered.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on-line and from the EYC Race Committee Office. Final Sailing Instructions will be available on-line and from the EYC Race Committee Office no later than 1600 hrs. Wednesday, July 25, 2011.

8. VENUE

The races will be sailed in Edgartown Outer Harbor and Nantucket Sound.

9. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward and/or triangles made from a combination of government marks and inflated marks as determined by the Race Committee.

10. SCORING

The scoring will be IRC (without the requirement of endorsed certificates) and PHRF-NE. Within PHRF there will be two divisions: Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker (Cruising Canvas).

11. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, 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, PDAs and other electronic devices capable of receiving transmissions originating off the boat.

12. PRIZES

Prizes will be given for all qualifying classes. Additional prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee Office, One Dock Street, P.O. Box 1309 Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539
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