



EDGARTOWN RACE WEEKEND

'ROUND-THE-ISLAND RACE

July 25, 2015

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

Classes are for IRC, HPR, PHRF-NE (including spinnaker and non spinnaker divisions), Classic Classes, One Design, Multihull, and Double-Handed boats. This race is a qualifier for the New England Lighthouse Series (PHRF).

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The 'Round-the-Island Race will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*; the PHRF New England Rule, or the IRC Rule, HPR, or the CRF Rating rule, the class rules for eligible one-design classes and the ISAF Special Regulations for offshore and ocean racing category 4 (including the US Prescriptions to those regulations and subject to exceptions made by the Race Committee), and the class rules for eligible one-design classes. Classic Classes will also be governed by WoodenBoat Regatta Series Addendum A.
- 1.2 The requirement for storm and heavy weather sails is waived. This changes ISAF Special Regulations for offshore and ocean racing category 4: Section 4.26.
- 1.3 There will be no limitations on crew number or weight. This changes IRC Rule 22.4.
- 1.4 Rule 52 is changed to allow powered winches in the non spinnaker division.
- 1.5 Rule 52 is changed to allow powered winches and autopilots in the Double-Handed class.

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 PHRF, HPR and IRC 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 Additional Classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Race Committee) will be eligible in Double-Handed (PHRF-NE), Multi-Hull, One-Design Classes and Classic Classes (Classic Yachts, Spirit of Tradition Yachts, and Classic GRP Yachts).
- 3.5 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form and paying the required fee online or sending it together with the required fee, to the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee, One Dock Street, PO Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539 **on or before 0900 hours, Friday July 24, 2015.**
- 3.6 The Edgartown Yacht Club may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry. Additionally there will be a **late fee of \$50.**
- 3.7 A representative from each boat may pick up their race information packet prior to 1600 hrs. Friday, July 24, 2015.
- 3.8 All entrants must have, at a minimum, liability insurance coverage of \$300,000.
- 3.9 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 the warning signal for the relevant class until the boat has finished and cleared the finishing area. Boats lacking a back stay shall do their best to comply. 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 seven minutes.

4 FEES

The Registration fee for all classes is \$285.00.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Race will be held on Saturday, July 25, 2015 with the first warning signal at 0800 hrs. A skippers meeting is scheduled at 5:00 PM Friday, July 24, 2015 at the main club house. Prizes will be awarded beginning at 10:00 hours on Sunday, July 26, 2015.

6 MEASUREMENTS

Each boat participating in IRC, CRF, HPR or PHRF shall produce a valid endorsed or unendorsed IRC certificate, or a CRF certificate, or a PHRF-NE certificate, on or before 0900 hrs. Friday, July 24, 2015. By 0900 July 24 a HPR boat must have either a Valid or Introductory HPR certificate issued by the US Sailing Rating Office. For this regatta, where the Rating Office has no history of VCG measurement, it may accept designer VCG and or flotation data at its discretion. Late Certificates will be subject to the **late fee of \$50.**

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available on-line and final Sailing Instructions will be available from the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee Office no later than 09:00 hours Friday, July 24, 2015.

8 VENUE

The Race will be sailed around the island of Martha's Vineyard, in Nantucket Sound, the Atlantic Ocean and Vineyard Sound.

9 STARTING PENALTIES

A boat on the course side of the starting line at its starting signal that does not return to the pre-start side of the starting line and properly start will be penalized by an adjustment increasing her corrected time for scoring purposes by seven minutes, provided, however, that, any such boat which is more than two of its boat lengths on the course side at its starting signal and does not return to properly start will be scored OCS. This changes Rule A 4.2.

10 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

The scoring penalty, Rule 44.3 will apply.

11 SCORING

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

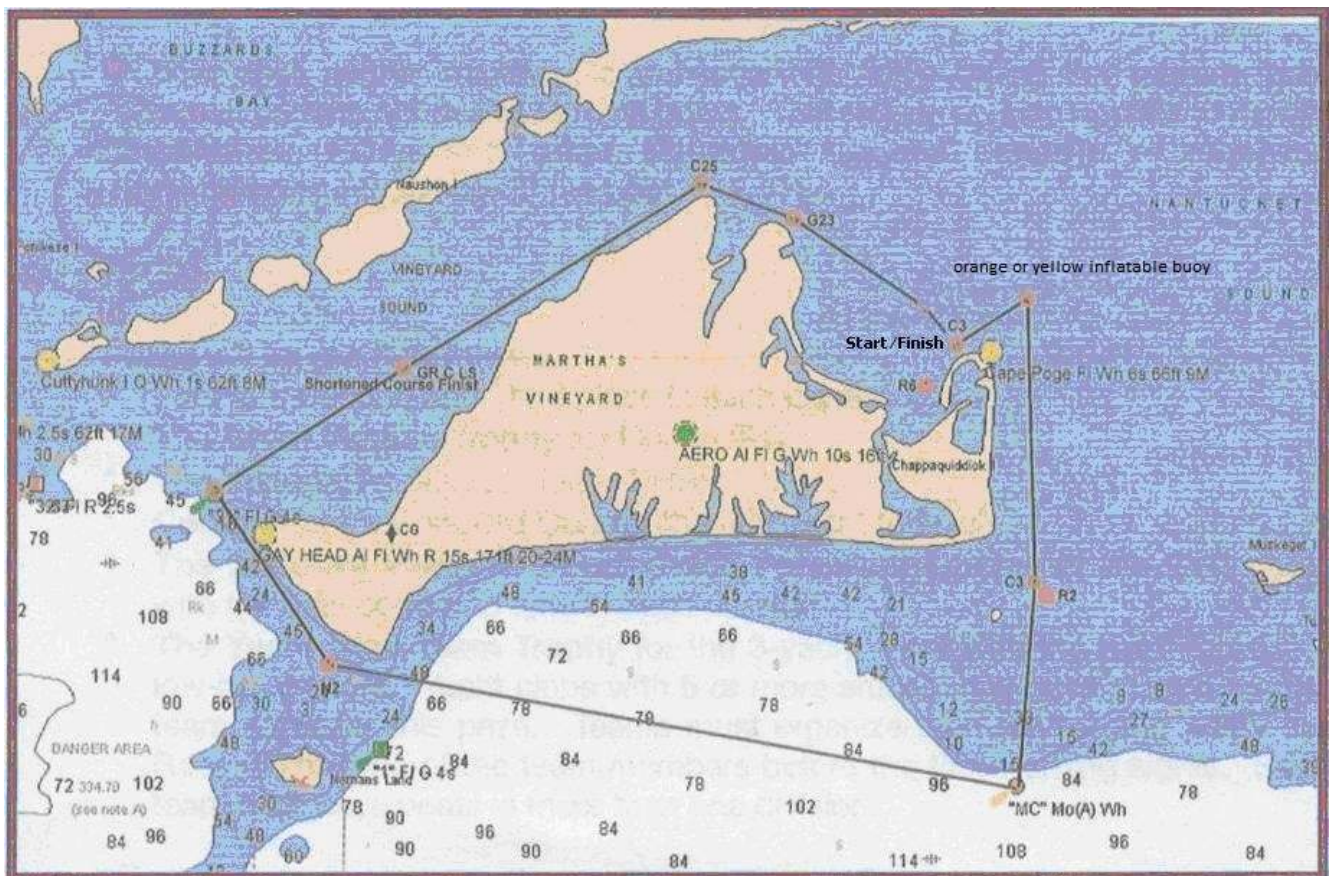
Within PHRF there will be three divisions: Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker (Cruising Canvas) and Double-Handed.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, and except for intra boat communications within the Double-Handed class, 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.
- 12.2 Optional Tracking: The Edgartown Yacht Club is intending to use a system for tracking the race and for later replay. Boats will be encouraged to participate in this. More information will be available when the system is selected.

13 THE COURSE

The Course will be a clockwise circumnavigation of Martha's Vineyard, from Edgartown. The course is 56 Nautical miles and is depicted on the chart below.



14 PRIZES

- First, Second and Third place Prizes in each class
- The VENONA Trophy for the overall winner (the single best corrected time) of the spinnaker division boats, regardless of class.
- The UPBEAT Cup for the overall winner of the non-spinnaker division
- The CONCORD Cup for the finisher with the lowest elapsed time
- The HOBART A.H. COOK Award for the best time among Service Academy entries
- The OCEAN RACE Trophy for the best time in each division among entries by EYC members
- A TEAM AWARD for the best corrected time of a 3-boat team from a given yacht club (or Service Academies) with entries in more than one division. [Teams must be made up of boats with PHRF-NE ratings. Teams must be designated and registered with the Race Committee no later than one hour after the Skipper's Meeting.]

15 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.

16 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

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