



Edgartown Yacht Club

EDGARTOWN RACE WEEKEND

'ROUND- THE- BUOY RACES

July 28-29, 2016

*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 Buoy Races. These races precede the 'Round-the- Island Race, which will be sailed on July 30, 2016, but entry in that race is not a prerequisite. A separate entry form for this race is required of all boats. This series is a qualifier for the US-IRC Gulf Stream Series Group 1 Buoy Regattas.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The EYC BIG BOAT BUOY RACES will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*; the PHRF New England Rule, or the IRC Rule, ORC or the CRF Rating rule and the class rules for eligible one-design classes. Classic Classes will also be governed by WoodenBoat Regatta Series Addendum A.
- 1.2 Rule 52 is changed to allow powered winches in the non spinnaker division.
- 1.3 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 with a PHRF, ORC, IRC or CRF rating are eligible.
- 3.3 Boats must be a minimum of 28 feet LOA.
- 3.4 PHRF, IRC and ORC 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.

- 3.5 Additionally, Classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Race Committee) will be eligible in Double-Handed, One Design, and Classic Classes (Classic Yachts, Spirit of Tradition Yachts, and Classic GRP Yachts).
- 3.6 All entrants must have, at a minimum, liability insurance coverage of \$300,000.
- 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. Boats lacking a backstay will 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 one minute.
- 3.8 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form on line or sending it to the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee, One Dock Street, PO Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts 02539 on or before 1600 hrs. Wednesday, July 27, 2016. The Edgartown Yacht Club may, at its sole discretion, accept any late entry.

4 FEES

There is no fee for this event.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 The Races will be held Thursday and Friday, July 28 & 29, 2016 with the first warning signal at 1000 hrs. each day.
- 5.2 The number of races sailed will be determined by the Race Committee.
- 5.3 Prizes will be awarded at the Mount Gay sponsored party, Friday evening.
- 5.4 The skipper's meeting will be held at 1700 hrs. Wednesday July 27, 2016.

6 MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Each boat participating in IRC, ORC, CRF or PHRF shall produce a valid endorsed or unendorsed IRC certificate, or a CRF certificate, or a PHRF-NE certificate, on or before 1600 hrs. Tuesday, July 26, 2016. 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.
- 6.2 IRC Rule 22.4 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew number or weight.

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. Tuesday, July 26, 2016.

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 government, and/or inflated marks as determined by class and at the discretion of the Race Committee.

10 SCORING

The scoring will be IRC, ORC (without the requirement of endorsed certificates), CRF 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.

11 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

11.1 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 PRIZES

12.1 Daily Prizes will be given for all qualifying classes including One Design.

12.2 Additionally:

The Alexander N. Orr Trophy – For IRC Overall Winner

The Ralph D. Osborne Trophy – For PHRF Spinnaker Overall Winner

The EOLIS Bowl – For Double-Handed Overall Winner

The John J. Trask Trophy – For Classic Class Overall Winner

The Metcalf Trophy – For PHRF Cruising Overall Winner

12.3 Additional Prizes may 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, Telephone (508) 627-4364, www.edgartownyc.org

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