



Edgartown Yacht Club

EST. 1905

98th ANNUAL REGATTA ***Keelboat Classes***

Shields, J/70, Wianno Senior, Rhodes 19, Herreshoff 12 1/2
July 8-10, 2021

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2021-2024 including the US Prescriptions (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Boats will be subject to the Shields, J/70, Wianno Senior, Rhodes 19 (R19), and Herreshoff 12 ½ (H12) class rules unless exempted by the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The R19 class will be open to both keelboat and centerboard R19s.
- 1.4 The J/70 class boats are exempted from the class rule requirement to carry an outboard engine.
- 1.5 A J/70 class boat that is not carrying an outboard engine is further exempted from the class rule requirement to carry a fire extinguisher.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted electronically on the Official Notice Board located on the EYC Regatta website at https://www.edgartownyc.org/club/scripts/library/view_document.asp?GRP=40009&NS=AR&DN=ANNUAL and Regatta Network at: https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=21827
- 2.2 A skippers' meeting for the Shields class will be held in the EYC clubhouse and online at 1700, Wednesday, July 7, 2021. A link to the meeting will be provided to registrants and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 2.3 A combined skippers' meeting for the Wianno Senior, J/70, R19, and H12 classes will be held in the EYC clubhouse and online at 1700, Thursday, July 8, 2021. A link to the meeting will be provided to registrants and posted on the Official Notice Board.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted before 0830 on the day it will take effect, except that 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 Club station mast.
4.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 1 hour" in the race signal AP. When a class flag is displayed with the AP, it applies to that class only.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

5.1 Shields

Friday, July 2, 2021

1600 Deadline for registration and payment Online

Wednesday, July 7, 2021

0900 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or Phone
1600 Deadline for late registration and payment Online
1700 Shields Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse and online

Thursday, July 8, 2021

0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or Phone
1100 First Warning Signal Outer Harbor

Friday, July 9, 2021

1100 Shields and J/70 - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor

Saturday, July 10, 2021

1100 Shields and J/70 - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor

There will be no Warning Signals after 1430 on the final day of sailing.

1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

*Approximate time

5.2 J/70

Friday, July 2, 2021

1600 Deadline for registration and payment Online

Thursday, July 8, 2021

0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or Phone
1600 Deadline for late registration and payment Online
1700 Combined Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse and online

Friday, July 9, 2021

0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or Phone
1100 Shields and J/70 - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor

Saturday, July 10, 2021

1100 Shields and J/70 - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor

There will be no Warning Signals after 1430 on the final day of sailing.

1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

*Approximate time

- 5.3 **Wianno Senior**
Friday, July 2, 2021
1600 Deadline for registration and payment Online
Thursday, July 8, 2021
0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or Phone
1600 Deadline for late registration and payment Online
1700 Combined Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse and online
Friday, July 9, 2021
0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or Phone
1300 Wianno Seniors - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor
Saturday, July 10, 2021
1300 Wianno Seniors - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor
There will be no Warning Signals after 1430 on the final day of sailing.
1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse
*Approximate time

- 5.4 **R19 and H12**
Friday, July 2, 2021
1600 Deadline for registration and payment Online
Thursday, July 8, 2021
0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or Phone
1600 Deadline for late registration and payment Online
1700 Combined Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse and online
Friday, July 9, 2021
0800 Race Committee Office opens Race Office
0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or Phone
1300 R19 and H12 - First Warning Signal Outer Harbor
Saturday, July 10, 2021
1300 R19 and H12 – First Warning Signal Outer Harbor
There will be no Warning Signals after 1430 on the final day of sailing.
1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse
*Approximate time

- 5.5 If a subsequent race is to be sailed, the finishing line signal boat will fly pennant second substitute at the finish. If a class flag is displayed with pennant "second substitute," the subsequent race is for that class only.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags used by the Race Committee will be a flag with an approximation of the sail insignia for each class, with the exception that a Numeral One pennant will be used for the Wianno Senior class.

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be the Edgartown Outer Harbor.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses will be Windward-Leeward with the number of legs posted on the Committee Boat no later than the class warning signal. A “4” would be sailed windward-leeward-windward-leeward.
- 8.2 If two windward marks are set on the R19/H12 circle, the further mark shall be rounded by the R19 class. The H12 class shall round the closer mark.
- 8.3 For the H12 class, in a course with an odd number of legs, i.e. 3 or 5, the boats shall sail to their usual windward mark(s) but on the last windward leg of the race the finish will be at the farther windward mark if a second windward mark has been set.
- 8.4 No later than the warning signal the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate compass bearing and distance to the first mark.
- 8.5 Marks, including the windward offset mark, if used, shall be rounded in order and, with the exception of a leeward gate, if used, left to port.

9 MARKS

- 9.1 The windward, leeward, offset, and gate marks will be inflatable marks.
- 9.2 New marks, as provided in SI 11, will be inflatable marks.
- 9.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a Race Committee boat and an inflatable buoy.
- 9.4 The Race Committee may set an offset mark to be honored after the windward mark. When a change is made to the windward mark a new offset mark may not be set.
- 9.5 A standoff buoy may be set off the stern of the Race Committee signal boat. This standoff buoy shall be regarded as part of the signal boat.

10 THE START

- 10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag flown on the Race Committee signal boat and an inflatable buoy.
- 10.2 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area while other classes are in start sequence.
- 10.3 A boat starting more than 5 minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- 10.4 If any part of the boat’s hull is on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast their sail number on the designated VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the Race Committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.
- 11.2 When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.3 When a change of course is intended for a specific class, the corresponding class flag will be displayed. If no class flag is displayed, the change of the course is for all classes.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between staff displaying a blue flag flown on a Race Committee signal boat and a nearby mark which may be a rounding mark and will be on the same side of the Race Committee boat as the staff displaying the blue flag.

13 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired shall report their action to the Race Committee immediately upon finishing or retiring.
- 13.2 For the Shields, Wianno Senior, R19, and H12 classes, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

14 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish is 90 minutes for R19 and H12 classes.
- 14.2 The time limit for the first boat to finish is 2 hours for the Shields and J/70 classes.
- 14.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish is 2 ½ hours for the Wianno Senior class.
- 14.4 Boats still racing and failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat of their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

15 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Boats intending to protest shall notify the Race Committee upon retiring or completing the race.
- 15.2 Protest forms are available at the Race Committee office. Protests and requests for redress may also be filled out electronically using the US Sailing App or the US Sailing Hearing Request Form. All protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered in-person to the Race Committee office within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 The protest and request for redress time limit is 1 hour after the Race Committee signal boat arrives at their dock. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and the Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- 15.4 Notices will be posted electronically on the Official Notice Board no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 15.5 Protests will be heard in the EYC Wardroom starting 30 minutes after the protest time limit expires. This is subject to modification by the Chief Judge on a case-by-case basis.
- 15.6 Breaches of SI 10.2, 13.1, 17, 18 and 22.2 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalty for these breaches may be less than disqualification, if the Protest Committee so decides.
- 15.7 Breaches of RRS 47 *Trash Disposal* will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.8 For the H12 and R19 classes RRS 61.1(a)(2) is changed to require boats of these classes to display a red flag when intending to protest another boat.
- 15.9 The US Prescription to RRS 63.2 is not in effect.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 Two completed races are required to constitute a series for the R19, H12, Shields, and J/70 classes.
- 16.2 One completed race is required to constitute a series for the Wianno Senior class.
- 16.3 Scoring for all classes shall be as follows:
 - (a) When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores. This changes RRS A2.1.
 - (b) When 6 or more races have been completed, its worst score will be excluded. An additional worst score will be excluded for every 6 additional races that are completed. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.4 Boats still racing and failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat of their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE) without a hearing and will be scored two points more than the number of boats that finished within the time limit and not thereafter retiring or being disqualified. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.
- 16.5 A boat that competes in any races of the Regatta shall be scored for the entire series, and scored Did Not Compete (DNC) for the races it missed.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Every boat shall check in with the Race Committee signal boat at the starting area by passing astern of the signal boat on starboard tack. Each boat shall state its class and sail number. The Race Committee will acknowledge by responding with the sail number recorded.
- 17.2 RRS 40.1 is in effect. Coast Guard approved PFDs shall be worn by every sailor at all times (except when actively adding or removing clothing) from the time the boat checks in with the Race Committee until it has retired or finished the race. PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing.
- 17.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 17.4 Any boat intending to leave the racing area prior to finishing the last race of the day shall communicate its intention to the Race Committee prior to leaving the racing area.
- 17.5 All boats must carry a VHF-FM radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channels 16 and the designated VHF channel for that racing circle.

18 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Keel boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

19 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 Radio communications between competitors and the Race Committee will be on VHF Channel 72 for the Shields, Wianno Senior, J/70 circle and VHF Channel 73 for the R19, H12 circle.
- 20.2 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.
- 20.3 The use of any electronic devices shall be in accordance with class rules, except as allowed by SI 20.1

21 PRIZES

Prizes in each class will be awarded for first place if two boats qualify; first and second places if four boats qualify; and first, second and third place awards if five or more boats qualify. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 22.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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.
- 22.2 All competitors, including skippers and crews, must submit the electronic waiver found online on the Official Notice Board. Boats shall not be scored unless the required forms have been submitted.

23 FURTHER INFORMATION

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