



2021 H Class Association Championship

The Organizing Authority is the Beverly Yacht Club ("BYC")
July 30, 31, and August 1, 2021
Marion, Massachusetts 02738

NOTICE OF RACE

The Beverly Yacht Club will host this event in compliance with the State of Massachusetts and the Town of Marion Covid-19 regulations in place at the time of the event. It is also the responsibility of all skippers to ensure they and their crew members adhere to all state and local regulations.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* ("RRS").
- 1.2. The current H Class Association Rules, a copy of which is located at <https://www.herreshoff12.org/h-class-rules/>
- 1.3. In accordance with RRS 40.2, Rule 40.1 applies.
- 1.4. Crew changes require advance written permission from the Race Committee, which will be given only in case of an emergency.
- 1.5. RRS 61.1(2) will be deleted. Protest flags are required.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on by 1700 on Friday, July 16, at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/22220>

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board will be located at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/22220>
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channel 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the VHF radio.
- 3.4. [DP] While racing, from the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats conforming to the current H Class Association rules.
- 4.2. All skippers in the Senior Championship shall be current, paid members of the H Class Association before racing begins.
- 4.3. In the Junior Championship on Friday, the skipper and crew shall not turn 19 years of age as of December 31 of the current year. The Junior Championship will not be held unless three (3) or more junior skippers have registered by 1700 on Friday, July 23, 2021.
- 4.4. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/22220>
- 4.5. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fees for the Senior Championship are \$125 until 1700 on Friday, July 23, 2021. Boats registering thereafter shall pay a \$25 late fee.
- 5.2. There is no entry fee for the Junior Championship.

6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Junior Championship

Friday, July 30

- 0800 Check-in (complimentary coffee and pastries; pick up pre-ordered lunches)
- 0900 Competitors' Meeting
- 1030 First Warning Signal
- 1630 Latest time for a Warning Signal
- 1800 Junior Championship Awards and Senior Championship Welcome Party

6.2. Senior Championship

Friday, July 30

- 1600 Check-in (until 1800)
- 1800 Junior Championship Awards and Senior Championship Welcome Party

Saturday, July 31

- 0800 Check-in (complimentary coffee and pastries; pick up pre-ordered lunches)
- 0900 Competitors' Meeting
- 1030 First Warning Signal
- 1830 Reception and dinner at BYC (not included in entry fee, order at registration)

Sunday, August 1

- 0800 Check-in (complimentary coffee and pastries; pick up preordered lunches)
- 0815 H Class Association Annual Meeting
- 0900 Competitors' Meeting
- 1030 First Warning Signal
- 1230 Latest time for a Warning Signal
- Cash bar available at BYC after racing
- Awards at BYC after racing

6.3. Number of Races

6.3.1. Multiple races are scheduled, of which two shall be completed to constitute a series.

7. VENUE

7.1. Racing will take place in the outer Sippican Harbor, either in the vicinity of Bird Island or Converse Point, weather dependent. Addendum A shows the location of the racing venue.

8. COURSES

8.1. The Race Committee will select courses as described in the Sailing Instructions. Course designations will be posted on the Race Committee boat.

9. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

9.1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

10. RISK STATEMENT AND LIABILITY WAIVER

10.1. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden change in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes. 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.

10.2. As a condition of entry, each skipper and participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver at Check-In. The form will be available online along with the Sailing Instructions. Minors' forms shall be signed by a parent or legal guardian.

11. PRIZES

11.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first three boats in each Championship.

11.2. Special trophies will be awarded for the Senior Championship:

11.2.1. The Quissett Yacht Club H Class Championship Team Trophy

Given to the best team of three boats from one yacht club with the lowest aggregate score.

11.2.2. The Special Junior Skipper Trophy

Given to the junior (see NoR 4.3) skipper who sails in all Senior Championship races with the lowest series score of all such juniors. This trophy is awarded only if there are at least two qualifying junior skippers.

11.2.3. The Savvy Sailor Award

Given to the best skipper 65 or older as of the first day of the regatta providing there are two or more qualifying skippers. No one under the age of 65 may touch the tiller after the preparatory signal for each race. The crew may be any age.

**Addendum A:
Venue**

Racing will take place in the outer Sippican Harbor, either in the vicinity of Bird Island Lighthouse or Converse Point, weather dependent.

