



Edgartown Yacht Club

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SUMMER SERIES 2021

One-Design Keelboat Classes

Independence Cup, July and August Saturday Series,
Commodore's Cup, Wednesday Adult Practice Series

The Edgartown Yacht Club Summer Series for the Shields, J/70, Rhodes 19 (R19), and Herreshoff 12 1/2 (H12) Classes will be held in Edgartown, Massachusetts beginning Wednesday, June 30, 2021 and ending Sunday, August 29, 2021. Edgartown Yacht Club is the organizing authority.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2021-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions*, and the rules of the one-design classes in which each boat is competing as published in each class association's website.
- 1.2 Races are open to members (Active members, children in a family membership, and Junior members) in good standing of the Edgartown Yacht Club whose boats meet the applicable one-design class restrictions.
- 1.3 Except as noted in SI 1.4, 1.5, and 1.6 below, participation as a helmsman in the regular Club yacht races is restricted to the Club's Active members, children in a family membership, and Junior members in good standing. (See *EYC Regulations and House Rules, Chapter IX, Section 2.*)
- 1.4 A class, through its fleet captain and at the discretion of the class and the Race Committee, may invite a non-member to be at the helm, however that boat will not be scored and its finish will not count toward individual or series trophies.
- 1.5 Non-members may participate as helmsmen in the Wednesday adult practice races.
- 1.6 A class, through its fleet captain and at the discretion of the class and the Race Committee, may invite boats from other clubs/sailing organizations. Non-EYC entrants will not be scored and are not eligible for individual or series trophies.
- 1.7 Owners and skippers must have a current 2021 Conformity Certificate on file with the Race Committee prior to 1000 on their first day of racing. Conformity Certificates are available on the *EYC Racing* website and at the Race Office.
- 1.8 Class rules regarding crew size minimums and/or maximums will not apply to the Wednesday practice races.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official Race Committee Notice Board located on the *EYC Racing* website under the *Summer Series* tab.

https://www.edgartownyc.org/club/scripts/library/view_document.asp?GRP=40095&NS=R&APP=80&DN=SUMMER

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1030 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.

5 SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 30, July 14, 21, 28, August 4, 11, 18, 25, 2021

1500 First Warning Adult Practice Races All Classes

Thursday, July 1, 2021

1700 Skippers' Meeting for Adult Summer Series

Friday, July 2, 2021

1300 First Warning Adult Independence Series

Saturday, July 3, 2021

1300 First Warning Independence Series/July Series

Saturday, July 10, 2021

1100 First Warning EYC Keelboat Regatta/July Series – Shields and J/70

1300 First Warning EYC Keelboat Regatta/July Series – R19 and H12

Saturday, July 17, 2021

1300 First Warning July Series

Saturday, July 24, 2021

1300 First Warning July Series

Saturday, July 31, 2021

1300 First Warning July Series

Saturday, August 7, 2021

1300 First Warning August Series

Saturday, August 14, 2021

1300 First Warning August Series

Saturday, August 21, 2021

1300 First Warning August Series

Saturday, August 28, 2021

1300 First Warning August Series/Commodore's Cup

Sunday, August 29, 2020

1300 First Warning Commodore's Cup

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags used by the Race Committee will be an approximation of the class insignia used on each class's sails.

7 RACING AREAS

The race course location for all classes will be the Edgartown Outer Harbor. Alternative locations will be posted on the official notice board by 1030 on the day of the event.

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 For the R19 class, in a course with four legs, for the first windward leg, the windward mark will be the Shields and J/70 windward mark. For the second windward leg, the windward mark will be the H12 windward mark. 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 windward mark for the J/70 and Shields classes. This rule does not apply during the Wednesday practice races.
- 8.3 The courses 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 windward mark for the J/70 and Shields classes.
- 8.5 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee signal boat will display the approximate magnetic compass bearing and distance to the first weather mark. This information may not be posted for the Wednesday practice races.
- 8.6 Marks, including the windward offset mark if used, shall be rounded in order and, with the exception of a 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.
- 9.6 If two windward marks are set, the further mark shall be rounded by the Shields, J/70 and R19 classes (except as noted in SI 8.2). The H12 class shall round the closer mark.
- 9.7 In the Wednesday Series, if two windward marks are set, the H12 classes shall round the closer mark, the further mark shall be rounded by all other classes.

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 which may also be a rounding mark of the course.
- 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 her 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 before the starting signal, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast their sail number on VHF channel 72 and/or hail with a loud hailer. Failure to make a broadcast or hail will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 10.5 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(es) only. These signals will not be used for the Wednesday practice races.
- 10.6 No warning signal will be made after 1630 for Wednesday practice races. For all other races there will be no warning signals after 1600 unless the schedule of races has been changed in accordance with SI 3.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12 THE FINISH

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag flown on a Race Committee boat and a nearby mark which will be on the same side of the Race Committee boat as the staff displaying a 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, 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 in each class, unless otherwise posted or signaled, will be one hour from the start signal of that class.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE).

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 located on the EYC Racing website. 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 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.

- 15.5 Breaches of SI 10.2, 13.1, 17, and 18 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.
- 15.6 Breaches of RRS 47 *Trash Disposal* will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 15.7 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.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 For the Independence Series and for the Commodore's Cup, the number of races sailed constitutes a series and no score will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.2 A boat that competes in any race of the Independence Series shall be scored for the entire Independence Series and scored Did Not Compete (DNC) for the races it missed.
- 16.3 A boat that competes in any race of the Commodore's Cup shall be scored for the entire Commodore's Cup and scored Did Not Compete (DNC) for the races it missed.
- 16.4 For the July Series and August Series, 4 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - (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, a boat's 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.
- 16.5 Boats that participate in the Bar One Cup will be given an additional excluded worst score for the August Series and overall season championship. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 16.6 RRS A5.2 is modified to read: a boat that Did Not Sail the Course (NSC), Did Not Finish (DNF), Retired (RET), or was Disqualified (DSQ) shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats that started in the race. RRS A.5.2 is further modified to read: a boat that Did Not Start (DNS) or Did Not Compete (DNC) shall be scored points for the finishing place two more than the number of boats that started in the race.
- 16.7 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE) without a hearing, and will be scored for the finishing place 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.
- 16.8 At the Race Committee's discretion a boat that races in an away regatta may receive scores for its missed races based upon the average of its scores (including throwouts) for the July or August Series. However, it shall be scored no worse than a "Did Not Finish" (DNF) for the missed races.
- 16.9 At the Race Committee's discretion a boat may be scored its average scores (including throwouts) for the July series races missed while an owner is participating in the 'Round-the-Island Race. However, it shall be scored no worse than a "Did Not Finish" (DNF) for the missed races.

- 16.10 At the Race Committee's discretion a boat may be scored its average scores (including throwouts) for the July series races missed while an owner is assisting the Race Committee or Junior Sailing Committee with running the Junior Regatta. However, it shall be scored no worse than a "Did Not Finish" (DNF) for the missed races.
- 16.11 For all series, only scores from eligible boats shall be considered for scoring purposes.
- 16.12 EYC Summer Series scores will not include non-EYC entered yachts. For example: if a non-EYC yacht finishes first and an EYC yacht finishes second, for scoring purposes the EYC yacht finished first.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Every boat shall verbally 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 their 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 they have retired or finished the last race of the day. PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing.
- 17.3 All keel boats must carry a VHF-FM radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channels 16 and 72.
- 17.4 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 17.5 Any boat intending to leave the racing area prior to their finishing the last race of the day shall communicate their intention to the Race Committee prior to leaving the racing area.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

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

19 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

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

20 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 20.1 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. VHF Channel 72 may be monitored for instructions/directions from the Race Committee. An alternate VHF channel may be assigned for use during Regatta.
- 20.2 The use of any electronic devices shall be in accordance with class rules, except as allowed by SI 17.3, 17.4, 17.5, and 20.1.

21 PRIZES

- 21.1 Series prizes 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 will be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.

21.2 Season Championships will be awarded to the boat in each class accumulating the best overall record in all qualifying series.

Colorado Cup – Shields Class

Robert Dudley Harrington, Jr. Trophy - J/70 Class

Hinman Trophy – Rhodes 19 Class

Welch Trophy – Herreshoff 12 ½ Class

21.3 Special Trophies

Carl L. Vietor Memorial Trophy – Highest Percent Score

William H. Nelson, Jr. Bowl – Greatest Number of Best Starts

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series 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 races in the series.

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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