

102nd ANNUAL REGATTA

Shields, Wianno Senior, J/70, Rhodes 19 (R19), and Herreshoff 12 (H12) Classes

The Edgartown Yacht Club Regatta for One-Design Keelboats will be held in Edgartown, Massachusetts beginning on Friday, July 11, 2025 and ending on Sunday, July 13, 2025.

The Edgartown Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) for 2025-2028 including US Sailing Prescriptions; and the rules of the one-design classes in which a boat is competing as published in each class association's website, with the exceptions noted in the Notice of Race.
- 1.2 RRS 60.4 (a) (2) is changed as follows: "if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or Part 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in and did not see the incident, or"
- 1.3 In the event of a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will be the authoritative document.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0900 on the day it will take effect.
- 2.2 Any change to the schedule of races will be posted on the Official Notice Board by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.3 The Race Committee may make oral changes to the Sailing Instructions on the water, in accordance with RRS 90.2(c). Changes shall be broadcast by the Race Committee to competitors via VHF no later than the warning for any race for which such changes will apply. Radio channels are specified in Addendum 2 to the Sailing Instructions. Failure of a boat to hear any changes made by the Race Committee shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Regatta Network: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/29654.

- 3.2 Radio communications between the Race Committee and competitors will be via VHF. Channel assignments for each fleet are listed in Addendum 2 to the Sailing Instructions and posted on the Official Notice Board.
- 3.3 [DP] 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. Competitors may monitor their fleet's VHF channel for instructions/directions from the Race Committee.
- 3.4 [DP] The use of any electronic devices shall be in accordance with class rules.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

[DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials, and Edgartown Yacht Club officers and staff.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the main clubhouse mast.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 1 hour". This changes Race Signal AP.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACES

6.1 **Shields**

Thursday, July 10, 2025

0900 Race Office opens	Race Office
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1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or telephone

1600 Deadline for late registration and payment Online

Friday, July 11, 2025

0800	Race Office opens	Race Office
0830	Shields Skippers' Meeting	Clubhouse

0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or telephone
1100 Shields - First Warning Signal Edgartown Outer Harbor or

Cow Bay

Saturday, July 12, 2025

1100 Shields - First Warning Signal Edgartown Outer Harbor

or Cow Bay

Sunday, July 13, 2025

1100 Shields - First Warning Signal Edgartown Outer Harbor

or Cow Bay

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

1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse

6.2 **J/70s**

Friday, July 11, 2025

0800 Race Office opens Race Office

1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or telephone

Deadline for late registration and payment Online

^{*}Approximate time. The Awards ceremony may be held earlier to help facilitate plans for visiting sailors once the results have been finalized.

Saturday, July 12, 2025

0800	Race Office opens	Race Office
0830	Skippers Meeting	Main Clubhouse
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0900 Race Office or telephone Check-in deadline

Edgartown Outer Harbor 1100 J/70s - First Warning

or Cow Bay

Sunday, July 13, 2025

1100 J/70s - First Warning Edgartown Outer Harbor

or Cow Bay

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

Combined Awards Ceremony 1700* Clubhouse

6.3 Wianno Senior

Friday, July 11, 2025

0800	Race Office opens	Race Office

1400-1600 Check-in Race Office or telephone

Deadline for late registration and payment Online 1600

Wianno Senior Skippers Meeting 1700 Main Clubhouse

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Check-in deadline 0900 Race Office or telephone 1230 Wianno Seniors - First Warning Signal** Edgartown Outer Harbor or Cow Bay

Sunday, July 13, 2025

1200 Wianno Seniors - First Warning Signal** Edgartown Outer Harbor

or Cow Bay

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

Combined Awards Ceremony 1700* Clubhouse

6.4 R19 and H12

Friday, July 11, 2025

Race Office opens Race Office 0800

Race Office or telephone 1400-1600 Check-in

Deadline for late registration and payment Online 1600

Saturday, July 12, 2025

Race Office opens Race Office 0800

0900 Check-in deadline Race Office or telephone

1030 Combined Skippers' Meeting Clubhouse

R19 and H12 – First Warning Signal 1300 **Edgartown Outer Harbor**

Sunday, July 13, 2025

R19 and H12 - First Warning Signal Edgartown Outer Harbor

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

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^{**} Two Wianno Senior races are planned for both Saturday and Sunday.

1700* Combined Awards Ceremony Clubhouse *Approximate time. The Awards ceremony may be held earlier to help facilitate plans for visiting sailors once the results have been finalized.

7 CLASS FLAGS

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

8 RACING AREAS

The race course location for Shields, J/70s and Wianno Seniors will be Edgartown Outer Harbor or Cow Bay, location to be posted on the Official Notice Board by 0900 each race day. The location for R19s, and H12s will be Edgartown Outer Harbor.

9 THE COURSES

- 9.1 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee will designate the course, and the approximate bearing and distance to the first mark.
- 9.2 Course diagrams can be found in Addendum 1 to the Sailing Instructions and posted on the Official Notice Board. Diagrams show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 9.3 Marks, including the windward offset mark (if used) shall be rounded in order and with the exception of a gate (if used) shall be left to port.
- 9.4 In the absence of a leeward gate, the leeward mark shall be left to port.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 The windward, leeward, offset, and gate marks will be inflatable marks.
- 10.2 New marks will be inflatable marks.
- 10.3 The starting and finishing marks will be a Race Committee boat and an inflatable buoy.
- 10.4 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 need not be set. This changes RRS 33.
- 10.5 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.

11 THE START

- 11.1 The start sequence will be in accordance with RRS 26.
- 11.2 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.
- 11.3 In the event of a significant difference in the number of boats in different classes, the Race Committee may set a second inflatable start pin to increase the length of the starting line for the larger class. Whenever two start pins are set, the Race Committee will announce on the designated VHF channel, which start pin applies to each class before each class's warning signal. Inflatable start pins that do not apply to that class are not considered to be marks of their course or obstructions.
- 11.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area while other classes are in their start sequence.

- 11.5 A boat starting more than 5 minutes after its starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.
- 11.6 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 hail their sail number. Failure to make a hail, or the failure of a boat to hear a hail, will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

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 [DP] 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 Wianno Senior, Shields, R19 and H12 classes RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.
- 13.3 For the H12 and R19 classes RRS 60.2(a)(1) is changed to require boats of these classes to display a red flag when intending to protest another boat.
- 13.4 The post-race penalty option RRS Appendix V2 will be in effect. The Scoring Penalty shall be two places or 30 percent of the score for Did Not Finish, whichever is greater, but no worse than the score for Did Not Finish. This is a modification to RRS Appendix V2(b).

14 TIME LIMIT

- 14.1 The time limit for the first boat to finish in the R19, and H12 classes, unless otherwise posted or signaled, will be one hour from the start signal of that class.
- 14.2 R19, and H12 class boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4, A5, and A10.
- 14.3 The time limit for the first boat to finish in the Shields, J/70, and Wianno Senior classes, unless otherwise posted or signaled, will be one and one-half hours from the start signal of that class.
- 14.4 Shields, J/70 and Wianno Senior class boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored Time Limit Expires (TLE). This changes RRS 35, A4, A5, and A10.

15 HEARING REQUESTS

- 15.1 Boats intending to protest an incident occurring in the racing area are requested to notify the Race Committee finishing vessel immediately after finishing or retiring.
- 15.2 Hearing forms are available in the Race Office. Completed protest and request for redress forms shall be delivered to the judges within the appropriate time limit.
- 15.3 For each class, the protest time limit is 60 minutes after its race committee signal boat returns to the dock. The time of docking will be noted on the Official Notice Board.

15.4 The schedule of protest hearings will be posted on the Official Notice Board approximately 30 minutes after the protest time limit. Hearings will take place in the EYC Ward Room adjacent to the Race Office. The schedule is subject to modification by the Chief Judge on a case-by-case basis.

16 SCORING

- 16.1 Two completed races are required to constitute a series for the Shields, J/70, R19 and H12 classes.
- 16.2 One completed race is required to constitute a series for the Wianno Senior class.
- 16.3 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of its race scores. 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 the specified finishing windows specified in SI 14.2 and 14.4 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, A5, and A10.
- 16.5 RRS 90.3(e) regarding the correction of scoring errors will apply.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 [DP] Each 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 prior to their first warning signal of each race day. Each boat shall state its class, sail number, and number of souls aboard. The Race Committee will acknowledge by responding with the sail number recorded.
- 17.2 Coast Guard approved PFDs shall be worn by every sailor at all times while on the water (except when actively adding or removing clothing). PFDs shall be worn outside of all clothing. This changes RRS 40.
- 17.3 [DP] A boat that retires from a race, or intends to leave the racing area prior to their finishing the last race of the day, shall notify the Race Committee immediately.
- 17.4 Support vessels or competitors experiencing or observing any on the water incident requiring an emergency response shall immediately report the incident to the Race Committee. The Race Committee will coordinate operations with emergency services. Support vessels may be tasked by the Race Committee.
- 17.5 The operation of drones by support persons in the vicinity of the race course is prohibited.

18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

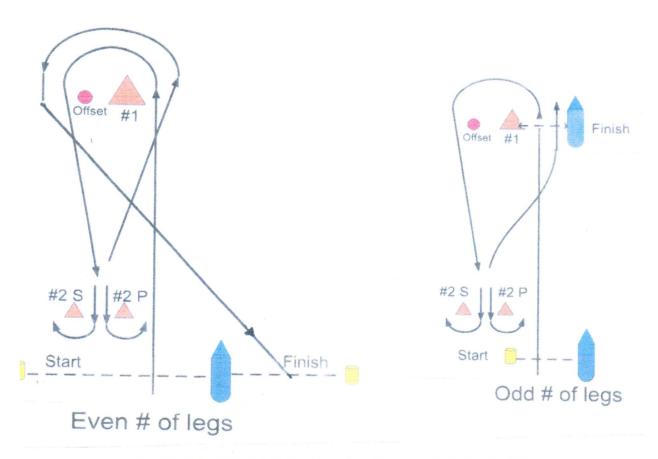
[DP] A boat or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules and sailing instructions.

19 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact the Edgartown Yacht Club, One Dock Street, P.O. Box 1309, Edgartown, Massachusetts, 02539. Phone: 508 627-4604; email the race administrator racer@edgartownyc.org, or visit the EYC website: www.edgartownyc.org.

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ADDENDUM 1
COURSE DIAGRAMS



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS ADDENDUM 2

VHF CHANNEL ASSIGNMENTS

Shields, Wianno Senior, J/70 Channel 72

Rhodes 19, Herreshoff 12 1/2 Channel 63

EYC Base Channel 72

EYC Launch (Helot) Channel 72

Old Port Launch Channel 68

Edgartown Harbormaster Channel 74

Oak Bluffs Harbormaster Channel 71

USCG Sector SE New England Channel 16