



EYC BIG BOAT BUOY RACES

July 18-19, 2013

***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 20, 2013, 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

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, 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.

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 must be a minimum of 28 feet LOA.
- 3.3 PHRF and IRC 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.
- 3.4 Additionally, Classes of three or more boats (fewer at the discretion of the Race Committee) will be eligible in Double-Handed, Multi-Hull, One Design, and Classic Classes (Classic Yachts, Spirit of Tradition Yachts, and Classic GRP Yachts).
- 3.5 All entrants must have, at a minimum, liability insurance coverage of \$300,000.

- 3.6 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.
- 3.7 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form and 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 17.
- 3.8 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 18 & 19, 2013 with the first warning signal at 1000 hrs. each day.
- 5.2 One Design Classes not racing the 'Round The Island Race are invited to additional buoy races on Saturday afternoon, July 20, 2013 with the first warning signal at 1300 hrs..
- 5.3 The number of races sailed will be determined by the Race Committee.
- 5.4 Prizes will be awarded at the Mount Gay sponsored party, Friday evening.
- 5.5 The skipper's meeting will be held at 1700 hrs. Wednesday July 17, 2013.

6. MEASUREMENTS

- 6.1 Each boat participating in IRC, 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 16, 2013.
- 6.2 A Maximum of four spinnakers will be allowed for the IRC boats. This changes the IRC Rule.

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 16, 2013.

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 (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.
- 11.2 Optional Tracking: The Edgartown Yacht Club is intending to use "Kattack" for tracking the races and for later replay. Boats are encouraged to participate in this by using a mobile device and downloading Kattack from the App Store. More information on this system is available from kattack.com.

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 will 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
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