

**2023 NBYC Annual Regatta**  
**OA: New Bedford Yacht Club Regatta Association**  
**New Bedford Yacht Club**  
**208 Elm Street, Dartmouth, MA**  
**Sailing Instructions**  
**Racing: August 5 & 6, 2023**  
**Racing Venue: Buzzards Bay**

**Preamble:** The notation [NP] in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

**1. RULES**

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2. [NP][DP]The PHRF classes shall comply with the US Sailing *Safety Equipment Requirements for Near Shore Racing*, except that lifelines as described in US SER for Coastal Racing paragraphs 2.4.1 to 2.7.2 are required.
- 1.3. No weight limit will be enforced for PHRF classes. All PHRF boats shall comply with the Reference Crew Numbers as described in the NOR.
- 1.4. The following documents also govern the regatta: Supplement A for the Dick Fontaine Memorial Distance Race; and Attachment 1.
- 1.5. RRS 52 is changed as follows: Powered winches are permitted on all PHRF boats.
- 1.6. Boats that race before completing the entry procedures described in the Notice of Race will be scored "Did Not Compete" without a hearing for such races. This changes RRS 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

**2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted under the tent located on the front lawn of the NBYC clubhouse and courtesy postings online at Yacht Scoring.

**3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

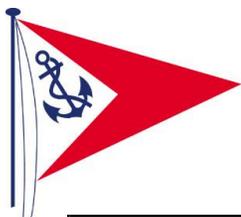
- 3.1. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 0830 on the day they will take effect, except that during a postponement ashore a change may be posted before the removal of the AP flag. Any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 on the day before it takes effect.
- 3.2. [NP] [DP]The Race Committee may make changes on the water by hailing the fleet by VHF and describing the change and requesting that boats acknowledge the change.

**4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the NBYC flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 60 minutes" in Race Signal AP. This changes Race Signals.

**5. SCHEDULE OF RACES**

Day	Schedule
Friday, Aug 4	1700 – 1900 Registration Open at NBYC
Saturday, Aug 5	0730-0930 Registration Open at NBYC 0930 - Skippers meeting for PHRF classes 1100 - First warning for PHRF 1700 - 2100 Tent Party and PHRF Awards



Sunday, Aug 6	1100 - Skippers meeting for Buzzards Bay Fiasco 1400 - No warning after this time. After racing awards to follow.
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**6. COURSES**

- 6.1. All courses will be announced at the skipper meeting each day
- 6.2. Courses will be displayed on the course board located on the starboard side of the signal boat.
- 6.3. Courses will be posted using the marks described in Appendix A

**7. MARKS**

- 7.1. The drop marks will be announced at the skippers meeting.

**8. THE START**

- 8.1. [DP]Before racing each day, each boat shall check in by passing behind the signal boat and hailing her sail number until acknowledged by the race committee.
- 8.2. For all classes, the starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and the course side of the starting mark.
- 8.3. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 8.4. A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored "Did Not Start" without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A4 and A5.
- 8.5. Class flags are defined below:

Class Flag

PHRF Race 1 Numeral Pennant 1

PHRF Cruise and Classics Race 2 Numeral Pennant 2

**9. RECALLS**

- 9.1. The race committee will attempt to hail OCS boats and boats subject to rule 30.1 after the starting signal.
- 9.2. On all other racing areas, the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS boats and boats subject to rule 30.1 after the starting signal. Such hails will be made on racing area's VHF channel.
- 9.3. The failure of a boat to hear the hail, failure to hail, or the untimely hail of some but not all boats shall not, and the order of the hail be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

**10. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE**

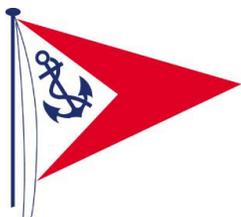
- 10.1. For all classes to change the position of the next mark, the race committee will lay a new mark as described at the skippers meeting (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When the windward mark is changed, there will not be an offset mark. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. The race committee may make minor adjustments to the marks without signaling a change. This changes RRS 33.

**11. THE FINISH**

- 11.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the finish mark. For drop mark courses, the finish mark will be located as described at skippers meeting.

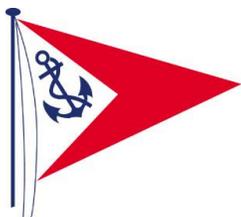
**12. PENALTIES**

- 12.1. For all classes, Appendix V of the RRS applies.
- 12.2. For all PHRF classes: The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply for penalties taken at the time of the incident. The penalty will be 20%. However, when a boat has broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty will be 30%. This changes RRS



44.3(c)

- 13. TIME LIMITS**
- 12.3.** A lesser penalty than DSQ may be given for an infringement of rules other than those of Part 2
- 13.1.** The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window and not subsequently retiring, penalized or given redress will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2, and A10.
- 13.2.** Boats may be finished in place on the course at the discretion of the RC. This changes RRS 35 and A4.
- 14. PROTESTS, REDRESS AND ARBITRATION**
- 14.1.** Protests shall be delivered to the Protest Desk within 60 minutes after the race committee boat or finish boat docks. Protest time limits will be posted on the official notice board.
- 14.2.** Protest forms will be available at the protest desks in the NBYC clubhouse
- 14.3.** Requests for scoring review shall be filed within the protest time limit on forms available at the Protest Desk. Such requests will be reviewed by the race committee before being scheduled for a hearing by a protest committee. If unresolved, they shall be considered a timely Request for Redress.
- 14.4.** Notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Parties and witnesses should report to the protest desk. This posting constitutes the notification required by RRS 61.1(b) and 63.2.
- 14.5.** If the race committee posts a list of boats scored NSC, OCS, ZFP, UFD, or BFD on the official notice board before the protest time limit for that circle, a request for redress based on such a posted score shall be made no later than one hour after the protest time limit. This changes RRS 62.2.
- 15. SCORING**
- 15.1.** One race shall be completed to constitute a series.
- 15.2.** When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes A2.1
- 15.3.** A boat scored TLE shall receive points equal to the number of boats that finished within the window for that race plus one. This changes Rules 35, A4, and A5.
- 16. SAFETY**
- 16.1.** **[DP] IF THERE IS A MEDICAL EMERGENCY, CONTACT ANY RC VESSEL, OR CALL THE HARBORMASTER (VHF CHANNEL 9 OR 16).**
- 16.2.** [DP] A boat retiring from a race shall notify a race committee vessel before leaving the racing area, or, when that is impossible, the NBYC Office immediately after arriving ashore.
- 17. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**
- 17.1.** Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of the prior written permission of the Protest Committee.
- 18. COURTESY BROADCASTS**
- 18.1.** [NP] Race Committees will make courtesy broadcasts to inform competitors of the order of starting, postponements, general recalls, and other race-related information on their racing area channel (72)
- 18.2.** [NP] The absence, inaccuracy or untimeliness of such broadcasts shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- 19. PRIZES**
- 19.1.** All classes will be awarded first through third place.



## SUPPLEMENT A

### TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE DICK FONTAINE MEMORIAL DISTANCE RACE

- C 1.0** A distance race for PHRF Race, PHRF Cruise classes is scheduled for Saturday, August 5.
- C 2.0** The starting line will be between the course side of a portable mark at the port end and the staff from which an orange flag is displayed on the race committee signal boat.
- C 3.0** Unless the course is shortened, the finish line will be between the course side of the final mark of the course and the staff from which a blue flag is displayed on the race committee signal boat.
- C 4.0** The race committee will post the marks of the course in order and the side on which each is to be left P(ort) or S(tarboard) on a white board on the signal boat.
- C 5.0** Mark W will be a portable mark. The distance and bearing to this mark, if used, will be posted on the signal boat. Mark W will be used at the discretion of the race committee.
- C 6.0** A chart will be posted on the official notice board at NBYC, showing the locations of each rounding mark. Possible marks of the course, with their approximate location and descriptions are in Attachment 1 below.
- C 7.0** [DP]Competitors shall monitor VHF channel 72 while racing. The failure of a boat to hear the changes shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).