



NOTICE OF RACE
2023 NBYC Annual Regatta
 OA: New Bedford Yacht Club Racing Association
 New Bedford Yacht Club
 208 Elm Street, Dartmouth, MA
 Notice of Race
 Racing: August 5 & 6, 2023



Organizing Authority (OA): New Bedford Yacht Club Regatta Association

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

1. 1. Rules

- 1.1.** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2.** The PHRF and N.E.M.A. Multihull classes will be required to comply with the current US Safety Equipment Requirements for Near Shore Racing except 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 will be required to comply with the following Reference Crew Numbers.

LOA (up to)	Crew Number
22.5	4
25	5
27.5	6
30	7
32.5	8
35	9
37.5	10
40	11
42.5	12
45	13
50	14
55	15
60	16
65	17
70	18
Over 70	19

- 1.4.** Powered winches will be allowed on PHRF boats. This changes RRS 52.

- 1.5. [DP] All boats participating in the regatta, except Lasers, are required to carry a VHF radio for use in emergencies.
- 1.6. [DP] All competitors and support personnel shall comply with the parking, launching and hauling, and support boat regulations, and shall comply with reasonable requests from regatta officials

2. Eligibility & Sailing Location

2.1. Classes

- 2.1.1. Laser Masters
 - 2.1.2. Sonars
 - 2.1.3. Sandpipers
 - 2.1.4. PHRF Cruising (non-spinnaker); 2023 PHRF-NE certificate required, with a rating of 250 or less, without spinnaker.
 - 2.1.5. PHRF Racing 2023 PHRF-NE certificate required, with a rating of 180 or less, with spinnaker.
 - 2.1.6. PHRF Doublehanded
 - 2.1.7. N.E.M.A. Multihull; 2023 New England Multihull Association certificate required, with a rating of 105 or less.
- 2.2. A minimum of eight paid entries per one-design class may be required by July 16,2023. If a one-design class is eliminated due to insufficient numbers, entrants from that class may be entered in a suitable handicap class if they meet that class's eligibility requirements.
 - 2.3. Any competitor (skipper or crew) who will be under 18 years of age at any time during the regatta shall provide a release for medical care signed by a parent or guardian.
 - 2.4. At its sole discretion, the OA may divide the PHRF classes into multiple divisions. It is the OA's intent to have two or three PHRF Racing divisions.

3. Entry, Check-in & Sailing Instruction Availability

- 3.1. Waivers of liability shall be signed and submitted on yacht scoring
- 3.2. Entry, including payment of the entry fee, is online only at Yacht Scoring
- 3.3. An entry is not complete until a representative of each boat has checked in at NBYC during one of the times listed in NOR 5.
- 3.4. Sailing Instructions will be available online August 1st, 2023 and at check-in.

4. Entry Fees and Payment

- 4.1. **Entry fees for paid entries received by the date indicated are as follows:**

	Early Registration open-5/29/23	Registration 5/30/23-7/31/23	Late Registration 8/1/23-8/4/23
All Classes	\$100.00	\$125.00	\$150.00

- 4.2. Entry fees for all classes include one dinner voucher.
- 4.3. Entry fees are non-refundable, unless the class does not have sufficient entries to participate. See NOR 2.3.
- 4.4. Saturday dinner tickets will be available for purchase.

5. Schedule

Monday, April 3

Entry opens-online only

Monday May 29

Early Bird fee ends

Monday July 31

Late entry fees begins

Friday, August 4

On-site check-in opens 1500. Registration Closes at 1200

Saturday, August 5

0730-0930 On-site check-in

1100 First Warning signal for PHRF / Multihull

1100 Skippers Meeting One Design

1200 First Warning signal for One Design

Regatta Party following racing

Sunday, August 6

1100 First Warning signal for One Design

1400 No Warning signal after this time.

After Racing One Design Awards.

- 6. Racing Areas and Courses**
 - 6.1.** The racing area will be South of Padanaram Harbor into Buzzards Bay.
 - 6.2.** The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7. Scoring**
 - 7.1.** 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 non excludable score. This changes Appendix A 2.1.
 - 7.2.** The race committee intends to run as many races as practicable. One completed race will constitute a series.
 - 7.3.** A boat racing with any sail number different from the number on her entry form (or as corrected in writing at check-in) will be scored "DNC" without a hearing. This changes rules 63.1, A5 and G4.
- 8. Alternative Penalties**
 - 8.1.** For all one-design classes: V1 applies.
 - 8.2.** For all PHRF and NEMA Multihull classes: The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will apply for penalties taken at the time of the incident. The penalty will be 30% of the fleet or three places whichever is greater.
- 9. Berthing**
 - 9.1.** Visiting boats can go on dockwa.com and reserve a mooring.
- 10. Haul-Out Restrictions**
 - 10.1.** [DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee or jury.
- 11. Prizes**
 - 11.1.** One-design classes (except Laser Masters): series prizes will be awarded for first through third places.
 - 11.2.** Handicap classes: prizes will be awarded for first through third places.
 - 11.3.** Special recognition will be given to one-design fleets of five or more racing within a PHRF or Multihull fleet.
 - 11.4.** The Dick Fontaine Memorial Race: prizes will be awarded for first through third places in each class.
 - 11.5.** The Buzzards Bay Bowl will be awarded to the boat with the best overall performance, as determined by the Race Committee.
 - 11.6.** Laser Master class prizes will be for 1st Overall, 1st Female, 1st - 3d Apprentice, 1st - 3d Master, 1st - 3d Grand Master, 1st - 3d Great Grand Master.
- 12. Radio Communications**

- 12.1.** [DP]The race committee will use VHF radio for courtesy communications to boats in all classes. All boats, except Lasers are required to carry a VHF radio for use in emergencies.
- 13. Disclaimer of Liability**
- 13.1.** 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 changes 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. Each venue jurisdiction may need a different or modified version of this risk statement.
- 13.2.** The Organizing Authority and hosts 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. Advertising and Photography**
- 14.1.** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 14.2.** By participating in this regatta, each competitor grants to the organizing authority and its members, the regatta sponsors, and each class association the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, and to license any other person to so make, show and use, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, sound recordings, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television or other reproductions of them or their property made during the period of the regatta without compensation to such competitor.
- 15. Contact Information**
- For further information, please contact New Bedford Yacht Club's Sailing Director
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