



**Fifth Annual Distance Race**  
**Organizing Authority: American Yacht Club, Rye, NY**  
**Sunday, July 2, 2023**  
**Notice of Race (NoR)**

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 RULES**

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Sailing Special Equipment Requirement (USSER) for Nearshore races shall apply.
- 1.3 For boats sailing in the doublehanded classes only:
  - a. Wind vane steering and autopilots may be used without penalty. This changes RRS 52.
  - b. Competitors are permitted to use radio communications among themselves while racing. This changes RRS 41.
  - c. Jack lines leading forward from both sides of the cockpit to the bow, well secured at each end, shall be rigged while racing.
  - d. The total crew aboard while racing shall be two persons.

**2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the Regatta Website no later than 1600 Friday, June 30, 2023.

**3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16091>.
- 3.2 [DP] Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels 16, 69, and 71.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee intends to make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or as stated in NoR 1.3(b), a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

#### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with a valid YRALIS PHRF rating certificate. Boats may sail in either the spinnaker or non-spinnaker class, and either fully-crewed or doublehanded. The rating used shall be the applicable W/L rating as shown on the rating certificate.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16091> by 1600 on Friday, June 30, 2023. Late entries will be accepted until 1600 on Saturday, July 1, 2023.
- 4.3 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

#### 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$50, and the late entry fee will be \$75.

#### 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the non-spinnaker classes is 1525.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the spinnaker classes is 1545.
- 6.3 The finish time limit for all classes will be 2100 on Sunday, July 2.
- 6.4 One race is scheduled.

#### 7 VENUE

- 7.1 The start and finish will be within approximately 1 NM of Red Bell 42.

#### 8 COURSES

- 8.1 Spinnaker divisions will have various courses around government marks depending on wind forecasts.
- 8.2 Non-Spinnaker divisions will sail a shorter course around government marks.
- 8.3 It will be the intent of the Race Committee to finish all classes as close to sunset as possible.
- 8.4 The marks that may be used are as listed in Appendix A.

#### 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 Appendix T, Arbitration, will apply as changed. At the end of T4, Arbitration Meeting Outcomes, add:  
(c) The first sentence of 63.3(a) is changed to “A representative of each party to the hearing and the Arbitrator, if arbitration has been conducted, have the right to be present throughout the hearing of all the evidence.”

9.2 For all classes: US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Rule V1 shall apply.

## 10 SCORING

10.1 The scoring system is as follows: PHRF Time on Distance (ToD) and the W/L rating shown on each boat's YRALIS PHRF certificate.

## 11 MOORINGS

11.1 A limited number of moorings maybe be available. Reservations are essential with the holiday weekend. Contact Bud Puterbaugh, AYC Harbor Captain, by email at [bputerbaugh@americanyc.org](mailto:bputerbaugh@americanyc.org) for rates and availability.

## 12 RISK, RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY, WAIVER & RELEASE

12.1 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 and any related activity sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed, or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree, understand and accept, for themselves and their respective successors, assigns, representatives, administrators, executors, agents, heirs or any person acting or purporting to act on their behalf ("Releasors") that sailing is an inherently dangerous and unpredictable activity due to multiple factors that cannot be anticipated or predicted with certainty, including but not limited to weather, equipment failure or malfunction, and the actions of others on or off the water, injury, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Releasors also agree, understand, and accept that sailing presents inherent risks of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis, and death, whether by drowning or otherwise, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases), property damage and other economic loss. Accordingly, and in consideration for being permitted to enter into and participate in this or any other sailing event sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club, Releasors forever release and waive, to the fullest extent allowed by law, any and all claims, actions, accounts, causes of action and choses in action, whether in law, equity or admiralty, that Releasors now have, may have had or may come to have, against American Yacht Club, including its officers, directors, trustees, members, employees, agents, volunteers, staff, committees, and anyone acting on its behalf ("Releasees"), for anything arising out of or relating to Releasors' participation in such sailing events (including contracting communicable diseases such as Covid-19). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, and without in any way limiting or lessening the effect or breadth of the foregoing release and waiver, and solely for the avoidance of doubt and clarification, Releasors agree, acknowledge and understand that this release and waiver applies to any and all claims of any kind at all against Releasees arising out of or relating to injuries, deaths, sickness and disease (including communicable diseases such as Covid-19), damage to vessels or damage to personal property sustained during or as a result of any and all sailing events sponsored, undertaken, administered, managed or allowed to be conducted by American Yacht Club.

13 GREEN REGATTA

13.1 In an effort to promote sustainability and reduce the amount of waste in Long Island Sound, competitors are encouraged to utilize reusable water bottles and avoid the use of any single-use plastics.

14 INSURANCE

14.1 Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with current, valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

15 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each division.

16 FURTHER INFORMATION

16.1 For further information please contact:

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Regatta Website: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16091>

## Appendix A FOR REFERENCE ONLY

### Course descriptions shall be as defined in the Sailing Instructions.

#### A1 MARKS FOR DISTANCE RACE

A1.1 Marks for the Distance Race will be designated as follows:

A	N "40A" Scotch Caps	G	G "23" Sands Pt	O	G "17" Oyster Bay	U	G "1" Greenwich
B	R "42" Mamaroneck	I	N "4" Prospect Pt	P	G "15" Lloyd Pt	Y	R "38" Playland
C	C "1" Delancey Pt	J	R "6" Mott Pt	Q	GR C "E" Eatons Neck		
D	G "1" Larchmont	K	C "1" Weeks Pt	R	R "28C" Norwalk		
E	R "2" Larchmont	M	G "21" Matinecock Pt	S	R "32" Stamford		
F	C "1" Execution Rocks	N	C "19" Oak Neck Pt	T	R "32A" Mid-sound	X	Drop Mark

A1.2 Mark X, if signaled, will be a **White** inflatable tetrahedron and located at a Bearing and Range from the race committee signal vessel as displayed on the course board. Mark X may be used anywhere in the course.

A1.3 The following chart shows the approximate location of the marks. It is not intended to be used for navigation.

