

Lighthouse Regatta
Shennecossett Yacht Club
Saturday, August 3, 2024
Groton, CT USA

Lighthouse Race is a single distance race in the area of Fisher's Island Sound. This year, expect a challenging course and great racing competition in both PHRF and ORC.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the most current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. When rule 20.4 (a) applies, a boat may indicate her need for room to tack or her response by raising an open hand vertically indicating her intent to tack or by pointing with an open hand at the boat that should tack first.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Scratch sheets and sailing instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16803> starting 1800 Thursday August 1st 2024.
- 2.2. The First Warning is scheduled for Saturday August 3, 2024, at NOON. First start is at 1205.
- 2.3. The Starting Area will be in the vicinity of VIXEN buoy "VL 28".

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. The event is open to all monohull boats with PHRF-Eastern Connecticut handicap ratings, ORC, and One-Design Class boats with a LOA of at least 22 feet. Spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes will be offered. Class assignment will be determined by the Race Committee.
- 3.2. To be considered an entry in this regatta, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees no later than midnight Thursday, August 1st at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16803> .

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1. The Official Notice Board is located on-line at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16803>.
- 4.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with channel 01A.
- 4.3. The Race Committee shall make courtesy broadcasts to the competitors via channel 01A
- 4.4. From her warning signal until she finishes, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions or receive communications that are not available to all boats.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The fee for this regatta is \$30.00 per boat.
- 5.2. Register for this regatta using <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16803>
- 5.3. The fee of \$25 per adult, \$15 per child for the post-race gathering and dinner.

6. VENUE

- 6.1. First-Warning is scheduled for NOON in the vicinity of VIXEN buoy "VL 28". First start is at 1205 hours.
- 6.2. The course will be sailed within Fishers Island Sound at the discretion of the Race Committee and prevailing wind conditions.

7. SCORING

- 7.1. All classes will be scored using Time on Time method and current PHRF or ORC handicaps.

8. RISK STATEMENT

- 8.1.** RRS 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.

9. INSURANCE:

- 9.1. Each participating boat shall hold insurance, including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representatives sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class. The Bruce Lockwood Cup will be awarded for the Best Overall PHRF Corrected Time for the Spinnaker Class
- 10.2. The awards party will follow racing at Shennecossett Yacht Club. SYC will provide docking/rafting after racing for boats to attend the awards party. Please contact the dockmaster - see below.

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 11.1. Dockage: Please call the Dock Master at 860-445-8211. Launch monitors VHF channel 68A. Dockage and/or moorings are limited so reserve ASAP.