2024 COASTAL CLASSIC



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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the 2024 SHYC Coastal Classic Sailing Instructions, amendments thereof, and the Notice of Race.
- 1.2. Sailing Instructions 4, 6, 9, 13, 15 contain changes to the RRS.

2. REQUIREMENTS

2.1. With the exception of Sonars, all participation requires an ECSA-PHRF rating certificate, and conformance to all requirements thereof. Sonars will be integrated with a PHRF Class as indicated on the Scratch Sheet and will sail with ECSAPHRF base boat handicaps, base boat sails, and conformance to PHRF-ECSA requirements.

3. COMMUNICATIONS: NOTICES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, VHF CHANNELS

- 3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official noticeboard website at: https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16870
- 3.2. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1100 on the day it will take effect.
- 3.3. Beginning around 1200 and each half hour thereafter, the Race Committee will endeavor to announce it's intentions for the day using VHF Channel 68. They will continue to monitor and communicate with VHF Channel 68 throughout the event.
- 3.4. Failure to hear any announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Flag signals will be flown from the northern yardarm of the flag pole at Sachems Head Yacht Club.
- 4.2. When pennant "AP" is displayed ashore, "one minute" is replaced with "not less than one hour" in Race Signal "AP".

5. RACING AREA

5.1. North Central Long Island Sound, and in the vicinity of Sachems Head Yacht Club and Faulkner's Island.

6. STARTS

- 6.1. The starting area will in the vicinity between Sachems Head Yacht Club and government mark "R22". The Race Committee will announce their location when on station. The starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC Signal Boat and a dropped mark.
- 6.2. Finalized Scratch Sheets and starting order will be posted electronically at https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=1671.
- 6.3. The race will be started using RRS 26 with a series of sounds as an assembly signal before the warning of the first starting sequence.

7. STARTING SCHEDULE

7.1. Starting schedule is as follows:

Warning Signal	Starting Order	Class Flag
1330	Class 5 (Sonars)	5
1340	Class 4 (Non-Spinnaker)	4
1350	Class 2 (Spin 2) & Class 3 (Doublehanded)	2 & 3
1400	Class 1 (Spinnaker 1)	1

7.2. The Race Committee will attempt to announce any OCS boats on VHF Channel 68. Failure to hear any announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

8. FINISH

8.1. The Finish will be between a dropped mark to be kept to port when finishing and an orange flag displayed on the gun deck of Sachem's Head Yacht Club, which is located near the landside of the Sachem Head Harbor jetty.

9. MARKS

W1	Windward Drop Mark	Range and bearing displayed on RC Signal
L2	Leeward Drop Mark	In the vicinity of the original starting area
10GI	Goose Island Bell R"10 GI" FI R 4s Bell	41° 12.161′ N 72° 40.494′ W
CR	Charles Reef R N "14"	41°14.862′ N 72°30.452′ W
R20	Chimney Corner Reef R N "20"	41° 14.334′ N 72° 42.323′ W
FI	Faulkner's Island	41° 12.39′ N 72° 39.11′ W
R4	Guilford Bell R"4" - F1 R 4s BELL	41°15.029′ N 72°39.222′ W
G15	Faulkner Island North Reef G15 - Fl G 4s GONG	41° 13.384′ N 72° 39.256′ W
KR	Kimberly Reef RG "KR" 33	41° 12.869 N 72° 37.412 W

10. COURSES

- 10.1. Courses will be posted on the official notice board on Yachtscoring no later than 1100 on Saturday, August 10, 2024. Prior to the warning signal of each class, the RC will also attempt to announce courses on VHF Channel 68, and display the mark order on the RC Signal Boat.
- 10.2. All marks are to be left to port unless indicated. For example, "R4" would mean leave R4 to port, whereas "R4(S)" or "R4 to Starboard".

11. TIME LIMIT

- 11.1. The time limit for each class will be 4 hours after the actual start time of the class. If no boat in a class has finished within the time limit, the race for that class will be abandoned without visual or sound signals. This changes RRS 32.1 and Race Signals. Race Abandonments will be announced on VHF 68.
- 11.2. A boat failing to finish within 90 minutes after the first boat in its class finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35.

12. WITHDRAWALS

12.1. A boat that withdraws from the race for any reason should contact the Race Committee as soon as possible by the best available means.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS

13.1. Protests must be reported to the Race Committee immediately after crossing the finish line. Protests and Requests for Redress are to be submitted in writing to the Race Committee at the gun deck within 45 minutes of the protesting boat's finish. This changes RRS 61.3.

14. SCORING AND PRIZES

- 14.1. Finish positions will be determined using the "Time on Time" system and PHRF-ECSA handicaps.
- 14.2. Prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place boats in each class.
- 14.3. The Coastal Classic Awards party sponsored by Goslings Rum will start at 1700. Party tickets for regatta participants can be bought in advance on the YachtScoring event page. Tickets can also be bought at the door.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk; see Rule 4 Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the race.