



The Stamford Overnight Race Friday August 17, 2012

Notice of Race

1. Rules

1.1. The races shall be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) except as any of these are altered by this Notice of Race, the PHRF Regulations of the Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound (YRALIS), the 2012 IRC Rule, Parts 1, 2 & 3, and the Sailing Instructions.

1.2. Rule 41 is modified to allow Double-handed entrants to communicate amongst themselves by VHF while racing.

1.3. Rule 52 is modified to allow Double-handed entrants to use without penalty wind vanes or autopilots.

1.4. The US SAILING Prescriptions to the RRS do not apply, except the prescriptions to Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F.

1.5. IRC boats equipped and rated with water ballast and/or canting keel may use same. This modifies Rule 51.

1.6. In accordance with IRC Rule 21.6.1(b), without an increase in rating, a boat may carry one more spinnaker than shown on her current certificate, if of area not greater than rated SPA.

1.7. The number of crew on IRC boats may be the number stated on the certificate plus one.

2. Eligibility

Open to single-hull sailing boats 24' LOA or over that are either owned or chartered by a member of the YRALIS and holding a valid PHRF or IRC certificate.

3. Schedule of Events

The first signal will be made at 1900 on Friday August 17, 2012.

4. Sailing Instructions

Sailing Instructions shall be available at the Stamford Yacht Club front desk no later than 24 hours prior to the scheduled race as, well as via the link on the website www.stamfordyc.com.

5. Registration and Fee

The entry fee for this event is \$50 (USSailing members) or \$55 (non-USSailing members) and all entries and payments are to be made on-line at:

<http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=701>. Entries must be completed and received by 1800 on Wednesday August 15, 2012. Late entries will be accommodated at the discretion of the Race Committee and for an additional \$25 late fee.

6. Divisions and Classes

6.1. Boats will be divided into classes based upon entries, including a double-handed class.

6.2. Scratch Sheets showing ratings and class assignments will be available at Stamford Yacht Club on August 16, 2012 after 1800, and from the Club's website www.stamfordyc.com and clicking the link to Yacht Scoring. Prior to the First Signal and while racing, each yacht shall display from the permanent backstay and at least six feet above the deck, the code flag corresponding to her class assignment.

7. The Racing Area

The racing area will be the waters of Long Island Sound reaching from Stamford, CT to Stratford, CT, and Port Jefferson, NY.

8. Courses

Courses shall include as turning marks Bell R18 (Stratford Point), Green Can "1" easterly of Middle Ground, R/W "PJ" off Port Jefferson and Red Bell "32" The Cows, as specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9. Equipment

All boats must comply with the Minimum Equipment and Safety Recommendations of the YRA Category C, and carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channel 5A.

10. Communication

Except in the case of an emergency, while racing, a boat shall neither make nor receive wireless communications or special communications not simultaneously available to all boats. It is the intention of the Race Committee to monitor VHF Channel 5 during the race.

11. Scoring

Scoring for PHRF boats will use Time-on-Distance. Scoring for IRC boats will use Time-on-Time. A boat's finishing place will be determined by calculating her corrected time based on her handicap rating.

12. Prizes

Prizes will be awarded as follows: First place for three or more boats in their division, second place for five or more boats in their division, third place for seven or more boats in their division. Prizes will be award at the Stamford Yacht Club Awards Ceremony on October 13, 2012. The Stamford Overnight Race is a qualifier for the Windigo, Sagola, King's Point, Lighthouse, and Mertz trophies.

13. Sailor's Responsibility

IT IS THE SAILOR'S RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MASTER OF EACH BOAT TO SEE THAT SHE IS SEAWORTHY IN ALL RESPECTS AND THAT SHE IS MANNED BY A COMPETENT CREW. THE MASTER AND ALL MEMBERS OF THE CREW OF EACH BOAT, BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS RACE, AGREE TO DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK, AND WAIVE ANY CLAIM AGAINST, AND HOLD HARMLESS, THE STAMFORD YACHT CLUB, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, COMMITTEES, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, AND AGENTS AGAINST ANY CLAIMS ARISING IN ANY WAY OUT OF THE PARTICIPATION IN THE RACE OF SUCH BOAT, HER MASTER AND CREW.

14. Welcome

Dependent on availability, use of guest moorings for competing boats will be extended from August 16 to August 18, 2012. Reservations are made by calling the Dockhouse at 203-348-2575

15. Additional Information

For more information, please contact:

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