



Notice of Race

2013 American Yacht Club Fall Regatta

September 28, 29 and October 5, 6, 2013

Organizing Authority

The American Yacht Club

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in:

The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)

For the IRC division, the IRC Rules, Parts 1, 2, and 3

For the PHRF division, the current PHRF Regulations, as administered by the YRA of Long Island Sound (YRALIS)

For one-design classes, applicable class association rules

For Vintage and Classic Yachts, applicable Classic rules (see separate Classic Yacht NOR)

ISAF Regulation 22 as it applies to class rules

For all classes except Etchells, the Minimum Equipment Recommendations of the YRALIS (Category C)

Except as any of these are changed by the Notice of Race or by the Sailing Instructions.

The crew number or crew weight limitation specified in a boat's IRC, PHRF or One Design certificate or applicable class rule shall not be exceeded. Except for the Etchells Class, one additional crew member less than age 14 shall not be counted against the crew number or weight limitation. Entrants who intend to carry an additional crew member less than age 14 shall so indicate by email to aycrc@americanyc.org no later than 1800 on Wednesday September 25, 2012.

2 ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to boats racing under IRC, PHRF, Level, Vintage and Classic Yachts and One Design rules. Boats (unless of foreign registry) must be enrolled in the YRALIS or another US SAILING association.

3 ENTRY

Online entry is required. Online registration and electronic entry fee payment are available at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=780>. Paper entries will not be accepted. Each boat must have a current, valid IRC, One Design, YRALIS PHRF certificate, or CRF Certificate as appropriate. PHRF certificates must be available on the YRA website, faxed to American Yacht Club at (914) 967-5340, or emailed to aycrc@americanyc.org no later than 1800, Wednesday, September 25, 2013.

IRC certificate rating information must be available on the US Sailing website at http://offshore.ussailing.org/IRC/IRC_Current_Ratings2.htm or the certificate must be faxed to American Yacht Club at (914) 967-5340 or emailed to aycrc@americanyc.org no later than 1800, Wednesday, September 25, 2013. Classic Rating Formula (CRF) certificates must be faxed to AYAC at (914) 967-5340, or emailed to aycrc@americanyc.org no later than 1800, Wednesday, September 25, 2013. Certificates received after 1800 on September 25, 2013 will be subject to the \$50 late fee.

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4 FEES

The entry fee for IRC, PHRF, and One Design Yachts is \$200. The entry fee for the Etchells Class is \$100, and for the Classic Yachts it is \$50. The entry fee and form for the Etchells Class will be completed under the separate Notice of Race for the Etchells Fall series run by Etchells Fleet 1. Completed entries must be received no later than Monday, September 23, 2013. Entries received after this date will be accepted if they include a \$50.00 late fee. ***Boats that were entered in both the American Yacht Club Spring Series and Fall Regatta at this time for a reduced combined fee need not submit any further entry for the Fall Regatta unless the boat's rating certificate has changed.***

5 GULFSTREAM SERIES

The American Yacht Club Spring and Fall Regattas are qualifying events for the IRC Gulfstream Series. IRC certificates for boats entered in the Gulfstream Series must be endorsed certificates.

6 SCHEDULE

Races for all classes except Classic Yachts will be run on September 28, 29, October 5, 6. The Etchells Class will race October 5 and 6 only. Classic Yachts will race on October 6 only. More than one race may be held on any day at the sole discretion of the Race Committee. The first warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1055 each day.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at the American Yacht Club front desk and at <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=780> by noon on the day before the first race and from the Race Committee support boats in the starting areas.

8 VENUE

Races will be conducted on two separate courses from starting areas located approximately mid-Sound, south or east of Milton Point, Rye, New York. The approximate positions of the starting areas will be announced at 1015 each day for all classes on VHF channels 69 and 71.

9 NOTICES

Notices, including notices that may amend the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions, will be posted on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=780> and on the Race Committee notice board by 2000 the day before changes will take effect. Notices will be broadcast on VHF channel 69 and 71 at 0930 on race days.

10 CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=780> and the Race Committee notice board before 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

11 ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION

Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels 16, 69 and 71. Except in an emergency or to report a protest or withdrawal, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones and data communication.

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12 CLASSES

Boats will be placed in classes (designated by numbers 1, 2, 3, etc.) at the discretion of the Race Committee. Additional Level, One Design, Handicap and Classic classes may be established at the discretion of the Race Committee. A listing of entrants by class and starting area (south or east of Milton Point) will be available at the club front desk and on the American Yacht Club web site by noon on the day before the first race and from the Race Committee support boats in the starting areas.

13 CLASS FLAGS

Each boat shall display the numeral pennant for its class on its backstay or, in the absence of a backstay, from its stern rail.

14 SCORING

Multiple races are scheduled, of which one shall be completed to constitute a series. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that if fewer than five races are completed each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. If five or more races are completed, each boat's worst race will be discarded subject to rule 90.3 (b). Multiple races are scheduled. One completed race shall constitute a series. IRC classes will be scored using Time on Time. PHRF classes will be scored using the handicaps provided by the YRALIS, and course distance. Classic yachts will be scored using CRF certificates.

15 HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS

All Etchells 22 Class boats shall be afloat before 1000 on Saturday October 5 and shall not be hauled out until after all races are complete on October 6 except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee.

16 STORAGE RESTRICTIONS

Trailers may be stored at American Yacht Club during the event but only in locations designated by the AYC Harbor Master. Due to the space needs of another regatta at American Yacht Club all boats, trailers, and accessory vehicles used to service boats or store materials and sails must be removed from AYC by October 7, 2013

17 ARBITRATION

For protests involving a rule of Part 2, a brief arbitration hearing will be held prior to a protest hearing. This changes Part 5, Section B, of the RRS.

18 PRIZES

Prizes shall be awarded after racing on October 6 for all classes. Series prizes for each class will be awarded as follows: a first place prize for two or more entries; second place for four or more; and third place for six or more. The JOYETTE, ZILPH AND CYNOSURE TROPHIES will be awarded to the boats which, in the judgment of the Race Committee, have the best performance in the PHRF, Level, and IRC divisions respectively. The ROGER SHERMAN MEMORIAL TROPHY will be awarded to the boat which, in the judgment of the Race Committee, has the best combined performance in the Spring Series and Fall Regatta. Prizes will be awarded at American Yacht Club after the final race and protest hearings.

19 MOORINGS

A limited number of moorings will be available. Reservations are essential. Contact Bud Puterbaugh, AYC Harbor Captain by email (bputerbaugh@americanyc.org) for rates and availability.

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20 NAVIGATION RULES

All boats are cautioned to observe the Navigation Rules of the Road and to yield right of way to vessels restricted in their ability to maneuver, especially to tugs and barges. Any boat observed to impede such traffic may be protested by the Race Committee.

21 WEBSITE

The Race Committee will post the Notice of Regatta, Sailing Instructions, Scratch Sheet, and results on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=780>. Competitors should consult the official Race Committee Notice Board for final information.

22 RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by American Yacht Club, the owner and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. By participating in any race or related activity, each competitor acknowledges and agrees that he or she understands the nature of the sport of sailing and sailboat racing, and that the race and related activity involve risks and dangers of serious bodily injury and death (by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss, and each competitor waives any and all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against American Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

23 OTHER DOCUMENTS

Forms and documents related to this event are located on <http://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=780>.

24 CONTACT INFORMATION

American Yacht Club	499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY 10580
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American Yacht Club cordially extends the privileges of the Clubhouse and harbor facilities to participants before and after the races.