

# NYC 2023 PHRF/CRUISING, WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES

## Newport Yacht Club

31 May 2023 to 30 Aug 2023

Newport, RI, USA

### NOTICE OF RACE

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 No additional documents apply.
- 1.3 PHRF boats will be governed by PHRF Narragansett Bay (PHRF-NB). (<https://www.phrf-nb.org/>)
- 1.4 Class rules that prohibit the use of VHF radios while racing are waived for the duration of the series for the purpose of safety, receiving pertinent race information, and NOAA weather that is available to all boats.
- 1.5 All participants are subject to the Inland Rules of the Road which can be found at:  
<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/navigation-rules-amalgamated>  
Specifically, participants:
  - a) do not become stand-on or privileged by virtue of their participation in this event;
  - b) are not exempt from following Rule 9 [section 83.09(b)] which states “a vessel of less than 20 meters in length or a sailing vessel shall not impede the passage of a vessel that can safely navigate only within a narrow channel or fairway.”
  - c) shall comply with Rule 19 [section 83.19] “Conduct of vessels in restricted visibility” and Rule 35 [section 83.35] “Sound signals in restricted visibility.”

#### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be posted no later than 01 May 2023 on the NYC website:  
<https://www.newportyachtclub.org/sailing/onshore/phrf-cruising/>

#### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 It is recommended all boats carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 16 & 73.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio **Channel 73**.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

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**4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 All PHRF, cruising and Ensign Class (non-spinnaker) boats are invited to race in the Wednesday Night Summer Series. To compete and be scored, a boat must be properly registered with the NYC Regatta Committee as required by this paragraph.
- 4.2 NYC RC will provide a start for any class with two or more boats that are properly registered at least 24 hours before a race.
- 4.3 To be properly registered, online registration must be completed, fee submitted, proof of liability insurance, and valid 2023 PHRF-NB rating certificate must be received at least 24 hours prior to the first race in which the competitor will be scored.
- 4.4 Complete registration and payment online at  
<https://www.newportyachtclub.org/sailing/onshore/phrf-cruising/>
- 4.5 Email or mail proof of liability insurance and PHRF-NB rating certificate to:  
Mail to: **Newport Yacht Club - Regatta Committee**  
**110 Long Wharf**  
**Newport, RI 02840**  
Email to: **[office@newportyachtclub.org](mailto:office@newportyachtclub.org), Attn: Regatta Committee.**
- 4.6 Sail Newport J/22 charter boats do not have to send proof of insurance.
- 4.7 A non-current PHRF-NB certificate or a certificate from outside Narragansett Bay will not be accepted.
- 4.8 The organizing authority (OA - NYC) reserves the right to accept or deny entries submitted beyond deadlines.

**5 FEES**

- 5.1 Entry fees are as follows:

SERIES	NYC MEMBER	NON-MEMBER
Series I	\$100	\$110
Series II	\$100	\$110
Series I & II <i>(fee shown includes a 10% discount if registered for both series at the same time)</i>	\$180	\$198
Ensign Class <i>(single series May to Aug)</i>	\$180	\$198

- 5.2 Add a \$25 late fee for registrations submitted after:  
May 28, 2023 for Series I and Ensign Class and  
July 16, 2023 for Series II.
- 5.3 US Sailing members receive a 10% discount

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**6 SCHEDULE**

6.1 Registration will open as noted on the PHRF/Cruising Class website.

<https://www.newportyachtclub.org/sailing/onshore/phrf-cruising/>

6.2 The PHRF/Cruising Class and Ensign Class (non-spinnaker) Summer series are conducted on Wednesday evenings.

**Series I .....31 May – 12 July 2023**      *7 race nights*

**Series II .....19 July – 30 August 2023**      *7 race nights*

**Ensign Class .....31 May – 30 August 2023**      *14 race nights, non-spinnaker*

6.3 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 6:00 pm (1800).

6.4 Class assignments and starting sequence will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

6.5 Number of races: Typically, there will be a single race for each class each night; however, the Race Committee may determine based on time of sunset, weather conditions, or other factors to conduct multiple races for one or more classes.

6.6 RC will make every effort to select courses that allow for participants to finish and return to port prior to sunset.

**7 VENUE**

7.1 All races are conducted on Narragansett Bay.

7.2 In general, the starting area is in the vicinity west of Goat Island and north of Fort Adams (vicinity of buoy “A” as indicated on the 2021-2023 South Bay Race Chart).

**8 COURSES**

8.1 Courses are selected from the established list of courses defined on the 2021-2023 South Bay Race Chart published by Sail Newport. While supplies last, printed copies of the chart are available from the NYC Club Steward Office or Dock Office and from Sail Newport. An electronic .PDF copy is available at the Sail Newport website under “Regattas” (<https://sailnewport.org>).

**9 PENALTY SYSTEM**

9.1 RRS 44.1 (**Taking a Penalty**) is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. A boat that accepted an Alternative Penalty and completed its turn must notify the Race Committee (RC) to that effect after finishing.

9.2 RRS 64.2 (**Penalties**) is changed as follows: The penalty, if any, for infringement of a rule other than a rule of RRS Part 2 is at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification.

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**10 SCORING**

- 10.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System as described in RRS Appendix A.
- 10.2 For Class IV (Multi-hulls) only: actual times (not corrected times) shall be used to determine finishing places using the Time-on-Time (ToT) scoring system.
- 10.3 One completed race shall constitute a series.
- 10.4 There will be one throw-out for every four (4) races completed in a series. Allowable throw-outs include: DNC (did not start, did not come to the starting area) and DNS (did not start (other than DNC or OCS)).
- 10.5 Each boat properly registered in a series shall be scored for each race started by the Race Committee and not subsequently abandoned. Registered boats that do not start or are disqualified will only be scored on the series summary and not on the daily result sheet.
- 10.6 Unregistered boats will not be scored.
- 10.7 All boats are scored based on their registered sail number, or in the case of the Sail Newport J/22 class, the registered Team Name.

**11 RISK STATEMENT**

- 11.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing 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.**
- 11.2 The OA accepts no liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the series.

**12 PRIZES**

- 12.1 Prizes will be awarded for each series based on the number of entrants in each class.
  - a) The first 3 places in each class if there are 7 or more boats registered in that class.
  - b) First and second places for classes that consist of 4 to 6 boats registered in that class.
  - c) First place only for classes that consist of fewer than 4 boats registered in that class.

**13 FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 13.1 For further information please contact the Newport Yacht Club Regatta Committee via email at [regatta@newportyachtclub.org](mailto:regatta@newportyachtclub.org).