



Notice of Race and
Event Sailing Instructions

Beringer Bowl Overnight Ocean Race

July 17 – 18, 2015

Presented in Partnership with Rumson's Rum

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- 1.1 **Event:** The Beringer Bowl Overnight Ocean Race will be held on July 17–18, 2015. The Organizing Authority is the Boston Yacht Club (BYC). ***This event is a qualifier for the MBSA, North Shore Ocean, Marblehead Coney Ledge and Marblehead Overall.***
- 2.1 **Eligibility:** Open to PHRF boats with valid PHRFNE Handicap Rating Certificates and that meet the requirements of this Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions.
 - (a) Divisions: PHRF Racing, PHRF Cruising, Doublehanded PHRF Racing, and OCS for Cruising Canvas, and a One-design class for 3 or more boats.
- 2.2 **Registration:** Entry and payment at <http://www.bostonyc.org/page/sailing/racing>. Entries should be submitted before **2359 hrs on July 12, 2015**. For information contact BYCrace@bostonyachtclub.net.
- 2.3 **Fees:** \$125 less discounts of \$5 for US SAILING members and \$5 for MBSA members. For entries after July 12 an additional late fee of \$25 will be charged.
- 2.4 **Handicap System:** PHRF Time on Distance will be used.
- 3 **Rules:** This Event will be governed by the Mass Bay Sailing Association General Sailing Instructions except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions.
 - (a) The ISAF ORC Special Regulations for a Category 3 Event shall apply, except as to ISAF ORC OSR Nos. 3.17, 3.20, 3.28.4b), 4.23.1, where the ISAF ORC Special Regulations for a Category 4 Event shall apply.
- 4 **Notices to Competitors:** Will be posted on (i) the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the BYC (ii) On the BYC website racing page www.bostonyc.org/page/sailing/racing (iii) by email to addresses supplied at registration.

Skippers Meeting: Will be held in the Main Lounge of the BYC; for the OCS Division at 0900 hrs on Friday, July 18, and for all other divisions at 1700 hrs on Friday, July 18.
- 5 **Changes to the Sailing Instructions:** Will be provided at the Skippers Meeting and at the same time be posted on (i) the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the BYC (ii) On the BYC website racing page www.bostonyc.org/page/sailing/racing (iii) by email to addresses supplied at registration.
- 6.1 **Signals Made Ashore:** Will be displayed from the BYC flagstaff.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:**
 - (a) OCS – First warning signal 1200 hrs, Friday, July 17.
 - (b) All others – First warning signal 1900 hrs, Friday, July 17
- 8 **Class Flags:** Class flags are not required for the OCS Division.
- 9 **Racing Area:** The starting area will be in the vicinity of Tinkers Rock Gong GR “TR”, MBSA List A Mark D, unless the Race Committee Signal Boat displays Code Flag “L” and proceeds elsewhere.
- 10.1 **The Course:** The course details will be provided at the Skippers’ Meeting, and at the same time be posted on (i) the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the Boston Yacht Club (ii) on the Boston Yacht Club website racing page (www.bostonyc.org/page/sailing/racing) (iii) by email to addresses supplied when registering for the Beringer Bowl.

- 11 **Marks:** Marks of the course will be US Coast Guard navigational buoys.
- (a) The start line for the PHRF Divisions will use an orange inflatable tetrahedron.
 - (b) The start line for the OCS Division will be between the orange flag on the Race Committee boat and Tinkers Rock Gong buoy, MBSA List A, Mark D.
 - (c) If the Race Committee signal boat is on station the finish line will be between the Race Committee signal boat and Provincetown Harbor Approach, Long Point Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy – Green ‘3’, ‘QG’ which shall be passed to port.
 - (d) If a Race Committee signal boat is NOT on station at the finish, the finish line will be a line extending on a bearing of 090° Magnetic from the Provincetown Harbor Approach, Long Point Shoal Lighted Bell Buoy – Green ‘3’, ‘QG’, which shall be passed to port.
- 14.2 **Recalls:** The Race Committee will use VHF channel 72 for OCS calls and communications with the racing fleet.
- 16 **The Finish:**
- 16.4 Boats approaching the finish shall, when at a distance of approximately ½ mile, contact the Race Committee boat on VHF 72 with their boat name and sail number.
- 16.5 Boats shall take their own finish time and immediately contact the Race Committee boat for confirmation of their finish time. It is expected that the Race Committee finish line boat will be on station for the majority of finishers. If the boat is unable to report their finishing time when crossing the line, or shortly thereafter by VHF they may report by mobile phone call to the Race Committee between 0900 hrs and 1200 hrs on Saturday, July 18, 2015. The Race Committee contact information will be provided at the Skippers Meeting.
- 17.1 **Time Limit:** Sixteen hours after the start of each class except for the OCS Division. The time limit for the OCS Division will be twenty-four hours. The Race committee may extend the time limit, and will make such announcement on VHF channel 72 at 1100 hrs on Saturday, July 18, 2015.
- 19.4 **Protests:** Protest forms will be available from the Race Committee boat in Provincetown and must be delivered to the Race Committee by 1000 hrs Saturday, July 18, 2015, or within 1 hour of the protesting boat’s finish, whichever is later.
- 24 **Prizes:** The Beringer Bowl will be awarded for the first place in PHRF A. The Merrigan Cup will be awarded for the first place in PHRF B. Trophies for first and second place in each class in each division will also be presented. Third place trophies will be presented for any class with five or more entries.

Social Activities: An awards party will highlight the social activities on Saturday beginning 1600 hrs at WayDownTown, located at 265 Commercial Street, Provincetown, steps from the Provincetown Marina, featuring appetizers, raffle prizes and cash bar. Further details will be posted on the BYC website www.bostonyachtclub.net/racing

Moorings and Marina: Each skipper must make his/her own reservations at the Provincetown Marina by calling 508.487.0571. DO NOT pull into a slip unless you have reserved one in advance.