



Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions
22nd Annual Hospice Regatta
For Care Dimensions
Sunday, June 19, 2016
Organizing Authority: Boston Yacht Club



- 2.1 **Eligibility:** The regatta is open to PHRF Racing, Cruising, and One Design Classes. For PHRF yachts this regatta is designated as a qualifier for the Massachusetts Bay PHRF Season Championship. A minimum of three One Design yachts of the same class will constitute a "fleet".
- 2.2 **Entries:** Entries with the fee and a valid PHRF certificate must be submitted to the Boston Yacht Club before 1730 on June 18th. You may register online at www.regattaman.com/calendar.php and view a continuously updated SCRATCH SHEET on the site.
- 2.3 **Fees:** The entry fee is \$50 (if a check is used make it payable to 'Care Dimensions'). *Late entries may be accepted by the Race Committee and are required to make an additional donation of \$10.*
- 3 **Rules:** The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Mass Bay Sailing Association Notice of Race and General Sailing Instructions (GSI) will govern the regatta, except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions (ESI). **The representative for the 2017 National Hospice Alliance Championship will be selected from the spinnaker fleets by the rules to be announced at the Skippers' Meeting.**
- 4.1 **Notice 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 <http://www.bostonyc.org/yachting/racing> (iii) by email to addresses supplied when registering.
- 4.2 **Skippers' Meeting:** There will be a Skippers' Meeting on June 19 at 0930 at the Boston Yacht Club.
- 5 **Changes to Sailing Instructions:** Any written amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be distributed at the Skippers' Meeting and will be posted as set forth above. Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be given on the water communicated on VHF Channel 72 before the Class warning signal.
- 6 **Signals Made Ashore:** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the BYC flagstaff.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** One race is scheduled for all classes.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:** The first warning signal shall be **no earlier than 1200.**
- 8 **Classes and Class Flags:** Alphabet code flags will designate classes in accordance with the MBSA class splits. Any class with less than three entries may be combined with another class for a combined start. Classes will be scored independently.
- 9 **Racing Area:** In the vicinity of Tinkers Rock Gong Buoy, Mark D, List A. All boats must check-in by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat.
- 10 **Courses:** The Race Committee intends to use MBSA Standard Courses.
- 11 **Marks:** MBSA Standard Rounding Marks, Lists A & B, or MBSA Standard Courses using orange tetrahedrons. A black band will be attached to an orange tetrahedron for a change of course after the start mark. If a green flag is flown no later than four (4) minutes before the start it means "Mark 1 for the class about to start will be a green tetrahedron. This applies to each rounding of Mark 1 by this class" (changes RRS 27.1 and Race Signals).
- 13 **The Start:** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The normal time interval between the start of one class and the warning signal for the subsequent class will be approximately two minutes.
- 14 **Recalls:** The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on VHF channel 72.
- 17 **Time Limit:** The time limit will be 3 hours after the start of each class.
- 19 **Protests:** Protests must be filed on forms provided by the Boston Yacht Club and submitted to the Race Committee no later than one hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat has docked.
- 24 **Prizes:** Trophies will be awarded in each class with at least three registered competitors. The awards ceremony is scheduled for approximately 1700.

Social Activities: Sunday social activities will begin after the races. The Boston Yacht Club facilities will be open after the races to offer hospitality to competitors, their crew and guests. Further details may be found on the BYC web site (www.bostonyc.org) and the Care Dimensions web site, www.caredimensions.org/regatta