



## Savin Hill YC and Constitution YC invite all Sailors to the Boston Light Pursuit Race!

**Event:** The **Boston Light Race**, First warning at 1130, Saturday, September 30, 2017. The Organizing Authority is the Constitution Yacht Club and Savin Hill Yacht Club.

**1 Rules** 1.1 This event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the Mass Bay Sailing Association General Sailing Instructions except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions.

1.2 No national prescriptions will apply.

1.3 RRS 52 is deleted

**2 Notices to Competitors** Notices to competitors will be emailed no later than 0900 on September 30, 2017

**3 Changes to Sailing Instructions** Any change to the sailing instructions will be emailed before 0900 on September 30, 2017

**4 Signals Made Ashore** No signals will be made ashore. The Race Committee will monitor and make announcements on VHF channel 68. This is also the VHF channel for the Savin Hill Launch, post-race.

**5 Schedule of Races** 5.1 Only one race is scheduled. The format is a pursuit race.

**6 Class flags are not required**

**7 Racing Area** The racing area is in and around the Boston Harbor Islands. Attachment 1 shows the courses to be used and the location of the racing area.

**8 The Courses** 8.1 Attachment 1 outlines the courses.

8.2 The Race Committee will announce the course at least 15 minutes before the first warning.

8.3 Courses will not be shortened. This changes rule 32.

8.4 The selected course may be sailed in either a clockwise (leave all marks to starboard) or counterclockwise (leave all marks to port) direction at the discretion of the skipper.

**9 Marks** 9.1 The start/finish line will be between an red flag on the race committee boat and an inflatable white pyramark.

9.2 "Standoff" marks may be deployed to define the starting box.

9.3 All other marks shall be government marks.

**10 Areas that are Obstructions** Refer to the MBSA GSI's for a list of obstructions in Boston Harbor and Mass Bay.

**11 The Start** 11.1 The warning signal shall be made 5 minutes before the first boat's assigned starting time.

11.2 Boats must start at or after their assigned starting time.

11.3 Boats not within 5 minutes of their starting time shall avoid the starting area.

11.4 Boats shall be considered to be *Racing* from 4 minutes before their assigned starting time.

**13 The Finish** 13.1 The finish will be between an orange flag on the committee boat and a G "3" Q G north of Spectacle Island.

**15 Time Limits** 15.1 The time limit for all boats shall be 1630 hours.

**16 Protests and Requests for Redress** 16.1 An electronic protest must be filed within 1 hour of the Race Committee docking.

16.2 Protest forms are available on the CYC web site or at the USSailing website.

16.3 Hearings will be held at Savin Hill Yacht Club.

**17 Scoring** 17.1 Boats will be scored in the order they finish with respect to their class in accordance with Mass Bay Pursuit Race scoring guidelines.

**18 Safety** 18.1 A vessel that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.

**27 Radio Communication** Except in an emergency, 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.

**28 Prizes** Prizes will be awarded at Savin Hill YC post-racing for 1st and 2nd place in the spinnaker and non-spinnaker divisions. If a class has more than 10 competitors, 3rd place will also be awarded.

**29 Disclaimer of Liability** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

**30 Insurance** Participating boat shall be insured appropriately with valid third-party liability insurance.

Appendix 1 – Courses.

List of Marks and  
approximate locations

**Mark**

	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location (approx.)</b>
Y N “E”	SW Corner Special Anchorage	42 20.219 N 07058.775 W
G17	Fl G 2.5s North of Long Island	42 19.960 N 070 57.524 W
G5	Fl G 4s ENE Graves Light	42 22.548 N 070 51.474 W
RN6	R N “6” Boston Ledge	42 20.076 N 070 51.816 W
R2	R “2” Kelly Rock	42 19.237 N 070 54.700 W
G3	G “3” Q G North of Spectacle Island	42 19.875 N 070 59.467 W
Hypocrite Channel	Between Calf I and Green I	42 20.919 N 070 53.692 W

Courses may be sailed “clockwise” or “counterclockwise”. Start and finish lines must be honored.

Course 1 (Clockwise) – 14.5 nm:

Start (near Y N E) – G17(S) – G5(S) – RN6(S) – R2(S) – G17(P) – Finish (G3)

Course 1 (Counterclockwise) - 14.5 nm:

Start (near Y N E) – G17(S) – R2(P) – RN6(P) – G5(P) – G17(P) – Finish (G3)

Course 2 (Clockwise) – 11.6 nm:

Start (near Y N E) – G17(S) – Hypocrite Channel – RN6(S) – R2(S) – G17(P) – Finish (G3)

Course 2 (Counterclockwise) – 11.6 nm:

Start (near Y N E) – G17(S) – R2(P) – RN6(P) – Hypocrite Channel – G17(P) – Finish (G3)