1.1 **Event:** The Beringer Bowl Overnight Ocean Race will be held on July 17-18, 2020. The Organizing Authority is the Boston Yacht Club (BYC). *This event is a qualifier for the MBSA, North Shore Sailing Championship, the MBSA Overnight Championship, and the MBSA Shorthanded Championship.*

2.1 **Eligibility:** Open to boats with valid ORRez Handicap Rating Certificates, except for the OCS Division, which is open to boats with valid PHRFNE certificates and that meet the requirements of the Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions.

   (a) Divisions: ORRez Racing, ORRez Jib and Main (JAM), Doublehanded ORRez Racing, Mixed Doublehanded ORRez Racing, PHRFNE OCS Start for Cruising Canvas, One-design class for 3 or more boats in each class.

2.2 **Registration:** Entry and payment at [http://www.bostonyc.org/racing](http://www.bostonyc.org/racing), or [www.regattaman.com](http://www.regattaman.com). Entries should be submitted before **2359 hrs on July 15, 2020.** For information contact **BYCrace@bostonyc.org.**

2.3 **Fees:** $140 less discounts of $5 for US SAILING members and $5 for MBSA members. For entries after July 15 an additional late fee of $25 may be charged.

2.4 **Handicap System:** ORRez Time on Time for all divisions but OCS, which shall be PHRF Time on Time.

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 USSER 2020 for Coastal races as defined by USSER 1.0.2 shall apply, with the exception of sections 2.4.1 through 2.4.9, 3.1.2, 3.6.2, 3.7.1, 3.7.2, 3.8.1, 3.16.2, and 4.3.2 where Nearshore requirements shall apply. This changes GSI 3.3(a).

   (b) MBSA GSI 20.10 is amended by adding “Neither the choice of wind range used, nor the choice of course under GSI 20.9, shall not be grounds for redress, changing RRS 62.1(a).”

   (c) The use of autopilots is permitted for the Doublehanded Divisions. This changes RRS 52.

4 **Notices to Competitors:** Will be posted on (i) the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the BYC (ii) On the [www.regattaman.com](http://www.regattaman.com) page for this event (iii) by email to addresses supplied at registration.

5 **Skippers Meeting:** Will be held in the Main Lounge of the BYC; for the OCS Division at 0900 hrs on Friday, July 17, and for all other divisions at 1700 hrs on Friday, July 17.

6 **Sailing Instructions and Changes:** Will be provided at the Skippers Meeting and (i) on the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the BYC (ii) On the [www.regattaman.com](http://www.regattaman.com) page for this event and (iii) by email to addresses supplied at registration.

7 **Signals Made Ashore:** Will be displayed from the BYC flagstaff.

8 **Warning Signal:**

   (a) OCS – First warning signal no earlier than 1200 hrs, Friday, July 17.

   (b) All others – First warning signal no earlier than 1900 hrs, Friday, July 17.

9 **Class Flags:** Class flags are not required for the OCS or One Design Division. The Doublehanded Division will display numeral pennant 2. The Mixed Doublehanded Division will display numeral pennant 3. All other classes will display their respective letter flags.

10 **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.

11 **The Course:** The course details will be provided at the Skippers’ Meeting, and posted on (i) the official notice board located near the downstairs bar of the Boston Yacht Club (ii) on the [www.regattaman.com](http://www.regattaman.com) page for this event (iii) by email to addresses supplied when registering for the Beringer Bowl.

12 **Prizes:** The Beringer Bowl will be awarded for the first place in Fleet A. The Merrigan Cup will be awarded for the first place in Fleet B. Trophies for first and second place in each class 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 the Crown & Anchor, located at 247 Commercial Street, Provincetown, close to the Provincetown Marina, featuring appetizers, prizes, and cash bar. Further details will be posted on the BYC website [www.bostonyc.org/racing](http://www.bostonyc.org/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.