



# Fall Series and Lightship Trophy Races

September 18 – October 9, 2021

Portland Yacht Club

40 Old Powerhouse Road

Falmouth, Maine

[www.portlandyachtclub.com/racing](http://www.portlandyachtclub.com/racing)



## NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. PYC will be continuously updating its list of guidelines for operation of the clubhouse and waterfront corresponding to recommendations provided by the State of Maine. Sailors are advised to refer to these guidelines available on the PYC website to remain current on these policies.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available after 1800 on the Thursday before the event on the official notice board located at the southwest corner of the PYC clubhouse and on Regattaman.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at <https://www.portlandyachtclub.com/racing/the-fall-series-and-lightship-race>
- 3.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9, 16, 68, 69, 70, 71, and 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4. From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.

### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to all boats with a current, valid PHRF-NE rating certificate which may be obtained by joining the Gulf of Maine Ocean Racing Association at [gmora.org](http://gmora.org) or their local PHRF-NE Fleet.
- 4.2. It is anticipated there will be classes for racing (spinnaker), cruising (no spinnaker), and One-design fleets with 5 or more participating boats.
- 4.3. Eligible boats may enter by completing registration together with the required fees online at [Regattaman.com](http://Regattaman.com) before 1200 Friday prior to the race(s) desired to compete.

- 4.4. Boats entered and racing in the Lightship Race shall comply with the Safety Equipment Requirements listed in Attachment A. For boats without lifelines not able to comply with 2.4.1 then add 3.1.4 and 3.2.1.
- 4.5. Boats holding a PHRF-NE (u) rating, unofficial rating for non-conforming vessels, will not be allowed to compete in the Lightship Race.
- 4.6. Each boat in a One-design Class shall comply with the requirements of her class with the exception of class rules prohibiting the use of electronic navigation and safety equipment which shall be eliminated for these races.
- 4.7. All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.

## 5. FEES

- 5.1. Boats may register for the entire series or for individual races. Registration takes place online at [www.Regattaman.com](http://www.Regattaman.com). No onsite registration will be accepted.
- 5.2. Required fees are as follows:
  - Full Series: \$ 100.00
  - Per Race: \$ 40.00

## 6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1.

Time	Date	Item
0830	Saturday 9/18	Skippers Meeting
1000		First Warning Signal Lightship Race
1700		Awards and social
1100	Saturday 9/25, 10/2, 10/9	Skippers Meeting 9/25 only
1300		First Warning Signal
1700		Social

- 6.2. If conditions are not favorable for the Lightship Race on September 19, the race may be moved to one of the three remaining race dates at the discretion of the Race Committee. This decision will be made no later than 1200 the day before the race. If the Lightship Race is postponed to a later date, the Race Committee shall attempt to run an inshore race on September 19.
- 6.3. There shall be one race scheduled each day for each division. Additional races may be run at the discretion of the Race Committee.

## 7. THE VENUE

- 7.1. The venue will be the area defined on the 2020 CYC-PYC Mark List available at [www.portlandyachtclub.com/racing](http://www.portlandyachtclub.com/racing)

## 8. THE COURSES

- 8.1. The courses to be sailed will use government marks or drop marks as described on the 2020 CYC-PYC Mark List.
- 8.2. The course for the Lightship Race is as follows:  
Start in the vicinity of Mark P,  
to a gate between Marks OC and OD,  
to Mark OP left to port,  
to a gate between Marks OC and OD,  
to the finish at Mark P.
- 8.3. The starting line will be in the waters between Clapboard Island and Long Island for all classes unless otherwise noted in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. The Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, will not apply.
- 9.2. RRS 44.1, the One and Two-Turn Penalty will be in effect and is encouraged.

## 10. SCORING

- 10.1. The scoring system is as follows: RRS Appendix A.
- 10.2. **2 races are required to be completed to constitute a series.**
- 10.3. When **5** or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## 11. RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees or 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.**

## 12. INSURANCE

- 12.1. Each participating keelboat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent. **A copy of this insurance will be emailed to the PYC Race Officer before registration is accepted.**

## 13. PRIZES

- 13.1. First place trophies shall be awarded for all classes. For classes with 5 or more boats a second place trophy will be awarded. For classes with 7 or more boats a third place trophy will be awarded.
- 13.2. The following perpetual trophies will be awarded.
  - The Lightship Race prizes will be awarded as soon as possible after that days racing.
  - The Fall Series prizes will be awarded as soon as possible after the last day of racing.
  - The Moore Trophy is awarded to the winner of the Lightship Race.
  - The Lippoht Trophy is awarded to the PYC member boat scoring the Fall Series best overall score.

## 14. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

- 14.1. Due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 pandemic, everything may change.
- 14.2. For further information please contact:
  - Gregg Carville, PYC Race Officer at: [PYCRace@gmail.com](mailto:PYCRace@gmail.com)
  - Kelley Rich, Club manager at: [Manager@pycme.com](mailto:Manager@pycme.com)
  - PYC Phone: 207-781-9820