

Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions



LAMBERT OVERNIGHT OCEAN RACE

EASTERN YACHT CLUB
Marblehead, Massachusetts

Friday, June 25, 2021



This 90+ nautical mile Ocean Race is a perfect tun-up for the Marblehead-to-Halifax Race.

This race is a QUALIFIER for the MBSA Overnight Championship & Shorthanded Championship.

- 2.1 **Eligibility:** This race is open to all Massachusetts Bay Sailing Association classes. There will be a Shorthanded / Doublehanded (SH/DH) Division.
- 2.2 **Registration:** On-line Registration at www.regattaman.com/calendar.php shall be done no later than 1700 hours June 24. Have a drink on us! All you need to do is register on or before June 11th & we will treat you & the crew to a free drink at the post-race party. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee (RC).
- 2.3 **Fees:** Entry fee is \$125 (\$5 discount for US Sailing members, additional \$5 discount for MBSA members).
- 2.4 **Handicap System:** The ORR-ez TOT handicapping will be used, in addition, if 3 boats register for PHRF 10 days before the race date, there will be PHRF Division scoring for that Class. A boat is scored with one or the other system not both.
- 3 **Rules:** 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 (ESI).
 - (a) The US Sailing - Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) – current edition, for “coastal” class races.
 - (b) The use of autopilots is permitted for the Doublehanded Division. This changes RRS 52.
- 4 **Notices to Competitors:** Notices and changes to Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the EYC Sailing Center and will be available on this event’s section on www.regattaman.com. All competitors shall monitor VHF Channel 72 on the water until their start signal to receive possible oral changes to the SI’s.
- 5 **Skippers Meeting:** A mandatory skippers meeting in the EYC Sailing Center at 1900 hrs. on Thursday, June 24.
- 6.1 **Signals Made Ashore:** Will be displayed on the yardarm of the EYC Casey Flagstaff.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** One race is scheduled for each class.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:** The first Class warning signal will be made at 1600 hrs.
- 9 **Racing Area:** The Start and Finish will be in the vicinity of the Marblehead Bell - RG“FR”, MBSA List B, Mark 3.
- 10.1 **The Course:** There are several possible courses. Some courses go north to the Isle of Shoals and others go south toward Cape Cod Bay in an area off the coast of Duxbury. Long courses are 90+ nm and shorter courses are 60+ nm. There is a Middle Course that has a leg toward the north and a leg in a southerly direction. The decision of the course to be sailed will be made by the Race Committee. Classes A, B, C, & F will complete the long course. Class D & G will complete the short course. Shorthanded entries will do the long course. Charts and descriptions of each course will be included in the Sailing Instructions.
- 11 **Marks:** All rounding marks will be Government Marks.
- 14.2 **Recalls:** The Race Committee will attempt to broadcast sail numbers of OCS boats on VHF channel 72.
- 17.1 **Time Limit:** The time limit for all Classes will be 1530 hrs. on Saturday, June 26. However, the Race Committee may extend this time limit by a broadcast over VHF channel 72 and/or with other means of communicating with the fleets.
- 17.2 **Finishing Window:** Is 4 hours after the first boat in each class finishes & may be extended.
- 19 **Protests:** Protest Forms shall be submitted within 1 hour after finishing. Use "US Sailing Racing Rules" app & select 'pencil' icon on mobile or on desktop only www.easternyc.org/protest-form. Either print & hand deliver to EYC Sailing Center or submit electronically to protest@easternyc.org. If a diagram is included, submit a photo or scan in the email. The hearing will be held in person or by Zoom.
- 24 **Prizes:** Trophies will be awarded to the boat with the best corrected time in each class with three or more entries. Second and third place trophies will be awarded to classes with six and ten or more entries, respectively. The Gerard Barnes Lambert Trophy will be awarded to the winners in Classes A & B. The Chesterton Bowl will be awarded to the winners in Classes C & D. The Haze Trophy will be awarded to the winner in the Cruising Class. The Periwinkle Trophy will be awarded to the Eastern Yacht Club boat having the best corrected time in the racing classes.

TROPHY PRESENTATION AND SOCIAL EVENTS: All captains, crews and their guests are invited to the Eastern Yacht Club after the race at 1900 hrs. on Saturday, June 26th for a ‘Lambert Race Party’. Come socialize with your fellow racers at the EYC Sailing Center where trophies will be presented celebrating the accomplishments of the overnight ocean race pending COVID-19 restrictions.