



Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions (ESI)

154th ANNUAL REGATTA

EASTERN YACHT CLUB Marblehead, Massachusetts

Thursday, July 4, 2024

A qualifier for the Mass Bay Season Championship



Come join us in celebrating a great American holiday with a fun day on the water.

- 2.1 **Eliqibility:** This is open to boats with a current PHRF-NE rating certificate.
- 2.2 **Registration:** Register at www.regattaman.com/calendar.php?reg=MBSA|MBSA-N. Online, Registration shall be done no later than 1500 hours on July 3. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee (RC).
- 2.3 **Fees:** The entry fee is \$70 with a \$5 discount for US Sailing members and another \$5 discount for MBSA members. Get an 'early entry' discount of \$10 by registering before 1159 hours on June 20th. Take advantage of the Plan Early / Pay Later feature.
- 2.4 Handicap System: This will be based upon the PHRF Time on Time handicap system.
- Rules: This event will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the Mass Bay Sailing Association General Sailing Instructions except as changed by these event sailing instructions (ESI).
- 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 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. There is no Skipper's Meeting.
- 6.1 **Signals Made Ashore:** Will be displayed on the yardarm of the EYC Casey Flagpole.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** A single race is scheduled for each Class.
- 7.2 Warning Signal: The first racing Class warning signal will be made at 1230 hrs.
- 9 Racing Area: In the vicinity of Tinker's Rock Gong, MBSA List A, Mark D.
- 10.1 **The Course:** The course will round government marks or use MBSA Standard Courses. 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". This changes RRS 27.1 and Race Signals.
- Marks: MBSA Standard Rounding Marks, Lists A, and B, or orange tetrahedrons with MBSA Courses. When Mark 1 is orange, a change mark will be a pink tetrahedron, and a subsequent change will revert to orange. When Mark 1 is green, a change mark will be a yellow tetrahedron, and a subsequent change will revert to green.
- 14.2 **Recalls:** The Race Committee will attempt to broadcast the sail numbers of OCS boats on VHF channel 72.
- 17.1 **Time Limit:** Four hours after each Class's start.
- 17.2 **Finish Window:** 45 minutes after the first boat in each class finishes.
- Protests: Protest Forms shall be submitted within 1 hour of Signal Boat docking. Use the "US Sailing Racing Rules" app and select the 'pencil' icon on mobile or on desktop only www.easternyc.org/protest-form. Either print and hand deliver to EYC Sailing Center or submit electronically to protest@easternyc.org. If a diagram is included, submit a photo or scan it in the email. The hearing will be held in person or by Zoom at a mutually agreed-upon time.
- 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 Commodore James J. Storrow Trophy will be awarded to the winners in Classes A and B. The Cleopatra's Barge Cup will be awarded to the winners in Classes C and D. The Gracie Trophy will be awarded to the winner in the Cruising Class. The Puritan Cup will be awarded to the Eastern Yacht Club boat making the best corrected time in the racing classes, and the Guy Norman Cup will be awarded to the Eastern Yacht Club boat making the best corrected time in the Cruising Class. A trophy will be awarded to the winner of any fleet (e.g. IOD, J/70, R19, etc.) racing as a one-design class, with at least six starters.

TROPHY PRESENTATION AND SOCIAL EVENTS: All captains, crews, and their guests are invited to the Eastern Yacht Club after the final race. Come socialize with your fellow racers at the EYC Sailing Center where trophies will be presented to celebrate the day's accomplishments.