



**HYANNIS YACHT CLUB**  
**2020 OCEAN RACE WEDNESDAY BEERCAN SERIES**  
**July and August**

**NOTICE OF RACE**  
**The Hyannis Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority**

**1. RULES:**

The Ocean Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

**2. ELIGIBILITY:**

- 2.1 Races are open to mono-hull boats with a minimum LOA of 24 feet and possess a valid 2020 PHRF New England certificate.
- 2.2 Each skipper shall be a current member of U.S. Sailing, or of his or her own national authority.
- 2.3 There will be both cruising (non-spinnaker) and racing (spinnaker) classes determined by the Organizing Authority based upon their 2020 PHRF ratings.
- 2.4 At its sole discretion, the Organizing Authority may divide the PHRF fleets into multiple classes.
- 2.5 There may be a Sports Class and a Catamaran Class, if 2 or more boats are registered in each class.

**3. REGISTRATION:**

Competitors must register via the Hyannis Yacht Club website. No registration will be considered complete until all registration forms and fees have been received.

**4. EQUIPMENT AND OTHER RULES:**

- 4.1 All boats shall minimally comply with the World Sailing Offshore Regulations Appendix B.
- 4.2 All boats shall minimally comply with the US Sailing Nearshore section of the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER).
- 4.3 All personnel on deck shall wear personal flotation while starting and finishing without exception and at all other times except when the Captain of the boat directs that it may be set aside.
- 4.4 Special Covid-19 rules and regulations.

The PHRF fleet must comply with the following provisions below in their entirety.

- The Skipper will ensure that all sailing participants on their vessel sign an HYC Covid-19 waiver before racing. The original copies of all these forms shall be turned into the Steward's Office.
- The Skipper will register all persons aboard on the HYC provided Contact Tracing registration form for each day of racing. The Contact Tracing form shall be turned into the Stewards Office at the conclusion of each race.
- The Skipper will be responsible for confirming that each person on board his/her vessel has shown no sign of illness for the previous 14 days and does not live with or had prolonged contact with any person who has had signs of illness for the previous 14 days.
- Signs of illness include cough, shortness of breath, fever, chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, new loss of taste or smell.
- The Skipper is responsible for the cleanliness and sanitation of their boat prior to allowing passengers on board and will provide hand sanitizers. Soap and water will be available.
- HYC rules apply on physical distancing and face covering while on Club Property at all times unless seated at a table to dine. Face coverings must be worn at all times while on the boat, dock, or launch.
- There is to be no sharing of food or drink on the boats.
- There will be no rafting up before or after racing.

**5. FEES:**

There are three entry fee options:

- July and August Beercan Series fee of \$150
- Monthly fee of \$80 per Month
- Weekly fee of \$25 per Wednesday

**6. MONTHLY SERIES AND SEASONAL SERIES:**

For the overall seasonal award, a boat must compete in at least 6 of the scheduled races. There will be a separate series for each month and an overall season award for each class. At least three races must be completed to constitute a monthly series.

**7. SCHEDULE OF RACES:**

- Warning Signal 1800
- July 8, 15, 22, 29
- Aug 5, 12, 19, (25 Tuesday)

**8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

Sailing Instructions will be available outside the Race Committee Office and on the Hyannis Yacht Club website.

**9. VENUE AND COURSES:**

The Racing area will be south of the Hyannis Port breakwater. The courses may be windward-leeward, triangular, windward-leeward-triangle, or other configurations.

**10. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS:**

The Race Committee will use VHF radio for communications to boats in all classes. All boats are required to carry an energized VHF radio.

**11. PENALTIES:**

The Two-Turns penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty. This changes **RRS 44.1**.  
If a boat elects to take a Scoring Penalty the penalty will be two places. This changes **RRS 44.3**.

**12. SCORING:**

Scoring will be the time on distance method. The boats corrected time shall determine her finishing place. If a boat completes 6 or more races in the season series, the boat's worst score will be excluded from her season series score. A DSQ cannot be excluded from her season series score. This changes **RRS Appendix A2.1 and 90.3**.

**13. PRIZES:**

Prizes may be awarded at the HYC Awards dinner subject to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts COVID-19 guidelines

Periodic recognition may be given for daily race results.

Monthly series prizes shall be awarded as follows:

- 3 boats: First place
- 4 - 5 boats: First and second places
- 6 or more boats: First, second and third places

The season series prize will be awarded to the boat in each class with the best combined finishes over the two month's races.

**14. RESPONSIBILITY, LIABILITY, & MEDIA:**

14.1 Specific attention is directed to the following Fundamental Rules:

**RRS 1.1 - Helping Those in Danger.** A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

**RRS 4 - Decision to Race.** Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

- 14.2 The race organizers (Organizing Authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in these events, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation, to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 14.3 By participating in this Series, each competitor grants to the Organizing Authority the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed or other reproductions of him or her made during the period without compensation.

**15. CONTACT INFORMATION:**

For further information please contact: Hyannis Yacht Club Race Committee:

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