



**Fishers Island Yacht Club
Fishers Island, NY 06390
Junior Overnight Race**

Friday, August 10, 2012

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

1.1. The race will be governed by the following, except as modified by the sailing instructions:

1.1.1. Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012,

1.1.2. Prescriptions of US SAILING,

1.1.3. Storm Trysail Club safety guidelines

<http://www.stormtrysail.org/Pages/01%20Breaking%20News/Frame%20Pages/2006-Safety.html>

1.2. Specific attention is directed to RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 and 4, which state:

1.2.1. A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.

1.2.2. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

2. RACE MANAGEMENT

2.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) is Fishers Island Yacht Club.

2.2. The Race Committee shall use VHF Channel 69.

2.3. The US Coast Guard can be reached on VHF Channel 16 and by phone at: (860) 442-4471

3. RATINGS

3.1. The current PHRF of ECSA ratings will be used; weight limits will not be in effect.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1. YACHT ELIGIBILITY

4.1.1. The race is open to yachts owned by:

4.1.1.1. a member of any ECSA member club or

4.1.1.2. a community sailing program that is a member of ECSA.

4.1.2. Yachts shall be no less than 27 feet LOA and no more than 45 feet LOA. The OA reserves the right to include vessels outside this size range.

4.1.3. Yachts shall have permanently installed and functioning: head, galley, navigation lights and VHF radio.

4.1.4. Yachts shall have a valid current ECSA PHRF certificate.

4.1.5. The OA shall have the right to reject any entry for any reason.

4.2. ADVISOR/CREW ELIGIBILITY

4.2.1. Each Yacht shall be crewed by at least five junior sailors (Juniors) who are at least 13 years old and at most 18 years old by the end of the current calendar year.

4.2.2. Each Yacht shall have aboard one senior advisors (“Advisors”), who shall be the Boat Owner or a designated Owner’s Representative, who shall be at least 25 years old, and be capable of taking command of the yacht in emergency conditions.

4.2.3. Each yacht may have aboard one Instructor Advisor who is more than 18 years old and an experienced offshore sailor.

4.2.4. Juniors shall constitute at least 80% of the total number of persons aboard.

4.2.5. All Juniors and their Instructor Advisors shall be participants in an ECSA Junior Sailing Program.

5. **OWNER, OWNER’S REPRESENTATIVE AND ADVISOR RESPONSIBILITY**

5.1. For the purposes of this section, the Boat Owner shall include the Owner’s Representative.

5.2. The Boat Owner is responsible for the safety of the yacht and its crew as well as the conduct of the crew before during and immediately after the race.

5.3. Advisor/Owner may assist with rigging or operation of vessel systems, but shall not provide coaching on boat speed, racing tactics or strategy. Advisors may assist in any safety or emergency situation, but all such assistance shall be logged and reported to the OA immediately after the finish.

6. **SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

6.1. All Yachts shall comply with ISAF Offshore Special Regulations Category 3, without life raft.

6.2. All entered yachts shall demonstrate their ability to shorten sail by sailing past the committee boat for check in prior to the start with their mainsail reefed, and all crewmembers wearing PFD and harness.

7. **SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

7.1. It shall be the responsibility of the Skipper and the Owner or Owner’s Representative to have completed adequate practice of sail handling and safety drills.

7.2. Every Junior member of every crew shall attend a Storm Trysail Foundation Junior Safety at Sea seminar. One such seminar will be hosted by SHYC Sailing Foundation, August 3, 2012. Other such seminars are scheduled for Newport, Larchmont, and Annapolis. See www.StormTrysailFoundation.org

- 7.3. The Navigator shall be permitted to use GPS to assist in the navigation, however, computer-based routing programs are not permitted.
- 7.4. The Navigator shall make regular entries into a ship's log that has been kept for the race; and regularly plot the position of the yacht on the appropriate NOAA chart.
- 7.5. Completed logs and charts shall be signed by the Navigator and affixed to the Certificate of Compliance for delivery to the OA following the completion of the race.
- 7.6. The Certificate of Compliance , charts and log shall be delivered as soon as practicable and no more than 3 hours after finishing to the Main Office at Fishers Island Yacht Club. A yacht will *not* be officially scored until this executed Certificate of Compliance has been filed.

8. **COURSE**

- 8.1. Planned alternate courses are listed below. The OA reserves the right to modify these courses depending on weather and other factors.
- 8.2. LIS course – Seaflower Reef to Stratford Shoal and return. 102 miles
- 8.3. BIS course – Seaflower Reef to Point Judith to Shagwon Reef, to Bartlet Reef to Seaflower. 70 miles

9. **ENTRY PROCESS**

- 9.1. Eligible boats may enter by completing the required entry forms and sending them to Fishers Island Yacht Club, Box 141, Fishers Island, New York 10543, or by online entry www.yachtscoring.com . The entry will not be complete until all required documents have been delivered and all fees paid.
- 9.2. Entries must be received at the OA by 5PM Monday, August 6, 2012,
 - 9.2.1. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA with a late fee to be determined. Sailing instructions will be available to entered yachts on the OA website.
- 9.3. A valid PHRF Rating Certificate shall accompany the Entry Form. Rating Certificate revisions may be accepted after submission of the Entry Form at the discretion of the OA.
- 9.4. Parental waiver forms must be submitted with the entry for each of the Junior crew members.
- 9.5. The Certificate of Compliance will be available on the registration website or at the Skipper's Meeting.

10. **FEES**

The entry fee for timely entries shall be \$150.00 per boat, or \$100 for early registration prior to July15.

11. **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available on the web and at the Skipper's Meeting.

12. **COMMUNICATION**

- 12.1. The OA will provide a weather briefing at the skipper's meeting for the period of the race.
- 12.2. During the race, contestants may not receive weather, current or navigational

information except by broadcast or online from a publicized source available, without charge, to all competitors.

- 12.3. Each Yacht shall have at least one radio capable of receiving automatic weather alerts and tone alarms.
- 12.4. Each Yacht shall monitor both Channels 16 and 69.
- 12.5. An Owner/Advisor on each Yacht shall have an on-board cell phone, the number of which shall be provided on the entry form.

13. SCHEDULE

- 13.1. There will be a mandatory pre-race meeting for Junior skippers, navigators, and advisors at 1600 hours on August 10, 2012.
- 13.2. Visiting yachts should hail the FIYC dock-master on VHF Channel 9. MLW at dockside is 6'6". A limited number of guest moorings may be available, however, all vessels should be prepared to drop anchor, if required.
- 13.3. The first warning will be at 1730 hours on Friday, August 10, 2012.

14. INSPECTIONS

- 14.1. The OA shall reserve the right to inspect any and all yachts for compliance with eligibility and equipment requirements before the start of the race or after its finish. The inspection is a courtesy and it remains the responsibility of the Boat Owner or Owner's Representative /Advisor to comply with all requirements. Failure to be in compliance subjects the yacht to protest and time penalties or disqualification in accordance with RRS.

15. SPECTATORS AND COACHES

- 15.1. Rule 41 on Outside Help will be strictly enforced
- 15.2. No spectator or coach boat may venture within 100 yards of a racing yacht, nor communicate in any way with a racing yacht after the warning and before the finish.
- 15.3. Yachts that are disadvantaged by any ISAF TV boats may seek redress.

16. CONTACTS

- 16.1. Fishers Island Yacht Club – 631-788-7036
- 16.2. Storm Trysail Club and Foundation 914-834-8857
- 16.3. Event Chairman – Peter Rugg 212-734-1376 Ruglet@PeterRugg.com

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