



Twenty Hundred Club Annual Block Island Race 2020

Newport, RI – Saturday, August 1, 2020, 1030
Block Island, RI – Monday, August 3, 2020, 1030
The organizing authority is the 2000 Club

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

The regatta will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing and these sailing instructions.

RRS 52 (Manual Power) is modified such that power-driven winches and furlers are permitted.

All participating yachts will comply with the US Safety Equipment Requirements published by US Sailing for the “US Nearshore” racing category. The requirements are available here: https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/US_SER_2019.0_Categories.pdf

Cruising Canvas Rules:

- A. Spinnakers, Mizzen spinnakers, and mizzen Staysails are not allowed.
- B. Only one sail at a time may be used forward of the mainmast except where a staysail may be used on a standard double-headed cutter rig. This does NOT prohibit a transient condition during sail changes.

2. Entries

Race entry may be made at www.twentyhundredclub.org. Eligible competitors shall have a valid PHRF certificate from PHRF-NB.

3. Notice to competitors and Changes in SI

There is no event headquarters. All race announcements prior to 0600 on the day of the race shall be posted on www.twentyhundredclub.org. Any announcements after 0600 will be made by a designated Twenty Hundred Club member over VHF Radio Channel 72.

4. Signals Made Ashore

All signals will be made from the race committee boat. No signals will be made ashore.

5. Schedule of Race

5.1 Saturday, August 1, 2020 – 1030 hours warning signal. There will be only one race. **Pending RIDOH COVID-19 guidelines**, finishes will be announced at 1800 hours in the cookout area next to the Oar.

5.2 Monday, August 3, 2020 – 1030 hours warning signal. There will be only one race.

6. Class Flags

Class	Flag
Spinnaker A (Spin A)	Red
Spinnaker B (Spin B)	Blue
Cruising I (CC I)	Yellow
Cruising II (CC II)	Green

7. Starting

7.1 Races will be started in accordance with racing rule 26 with classes starting at 5 minute intervals. The order of start is listed in section 9.

7.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a white or orange flag on the race committee boat and the nearby starting mark. The starting mark on Saturday is G “3” southeast of Rose Island. The planned starting mark on Monday is R “2” northwest of the New Harbor entrance, but this may be moved slightly to accommodate traffic entering and departing New Harbor, dependent on the prevailing wind.

7.3 Yachts whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of yachts whose preparatory signal has been made.

8. Starting Sequence

This sequence is provided as a guide. Times may change in the event of a postponement.

Time	Signal	Sound Signal & Flag
1030	Warning CC II	Horn & Green Flag
1031	Prep CC II	Horn & ‘P’ Flag
1034	One Minute	Horn & ‘P’ Flag Drops
1035	Start CC II & Warning CCI	Horn, Green Flag drops & Yellow Flag Raised
1036	Prep CC I	Horn & ‘P’ Flag
1039	One Minute	Horn & ‘P’ Flag Drops



Time	Signal	Sound Signal & Flag
1040	Start CC I & Warning Spin B	Horn, Yellow Flag Drops & Blue Flag Raised
1041	Prep Spin B	Horn & 'P' Flag
1044	One Minute	Horn & 'P' Flag Drops
1045	Start Spin B & Warning Spin A	Horn, Blue Flag Drops & Red Flag Raised
1046	Prep Spin A	Horn & 'P' Flag
1049	One Minute	Horn & 'P' Flag Drops
1050	Start Spin A	Horn, Red Flag Drops

9. Courses

9.1 With the decommissioning of the mark at Nebraska Shoals there is now a single course for BI.

9.2 **Saturday Course:** From starting line to Bell "1BI" Block Island, to port, then to finish. (21.20 nm)

9.3 **Monday Course:** From starting line to Bell "1BI", to starboard, then to finish. (21.20 nm)

9.4 **Special Instructions:** All boats must check in with the race committee boat by sail number prior to the start sequence. **The race committee will monitor VHF Radio Channel 72 and competitors are expected to continuously monitor this channel.**

The following aids to navigation must be passed on the proper side at all times:

G "11" Bell	The Dumplings
G "9" Gong	Fort Wetherill
R "6" Bell	Butter Ball Rock
R "4" Gong	Brenton Reef
R "2" F1 R whistle	Brenton Point
R "2a" Bell	Seal Ledge

9.5 Competitors are advised that Narragansett Bay is regarded as a NARROW CHANNEL for the purposes of Rule 9(b), International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS).

10. Marks

Turning marks will be government buoys.

11. Finishing

11.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a white or orange flag on the race committee boat and the nearby finish mark. The finish mark on Saturday is R "2" northwest of the New Harbor entrance. The finish mark on Monday is G "3" southeast of Rose Island.

11.2 If the race committee boat is not on station, when the finish mark bears 270 degrees magnetic and a boat is within 100 feet of the finish mark, she shall be finished.

11.3 Competitors should be prepared to take their own time. **It is recommended to contact the Race Committee via VHF radio (Channel 72) as you approach the finish line** and if contact is not made, to take your own GPS time as you cross the finish line. Report your time as soon as possible to the Race Committee. In the absence of a finish Race Committee, competitors are requested to report this time to the race scorer via VHF radio 72 (Channel 72). Results should also be emailed to racecommittee@twentyhundredclub.org. Results will be available online shortly after all competitors have finished.

12. Time Limit

There is no time limit.

13. Protests

Protests are strongly discouraged. Yachts intending to protest must notify the race committee immediately upon crossing the finish line. Protests shall be written on US Sailing Protest forms available here:

<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/US-Sailing-2017-2020-Protest-Form.pdf> and lodged within 1 hour after the protesting boat finishes. Hearing times will be announced at 1800 hours in the cookout area at Block Island Boat Basin.

14. Scoring

PHRF: Time Allowances, as expressed in seconds per mile, will be applied to the course distance for the purpose of scoring. The low point scoring system, Appendix A of the racing rules will apply.

15. Alternative Penalties

The 720-degree turns penalty, Rules 44.1, 44.2 of the racing rules will apply.

16. Additional Information

16.1 Participants are encouraged (but not required) to use Race Qs at www.raceqs.com to self-report your race. A



free account for your boat is required. A free iOS or Android app is required.

16.2 **Competitors** are advised that the DEM has issued guidance on how to stay safe while boating during COVID-19. Links to this guidance can be found at the RI DEM website:

<http://www.dem.ri.gov/programs/media/covid19.php>

Skippers and crew are strongly urged to review this information before racing.



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