

THE TWENTY HUNDRED CLUB Around Aquidneck Island Challenge Sailing Instructions 1 March 2023 – 31 December 2023

Please Note: Under **2021-2024 RRS Appendix J**, "A rule in the notice of race need not be repeated in the sailing instructions."

1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in <u>2021-2024 Racing</u> <u>Rules of Sailing (RRS)</u>, the Twenty Hundred Club 2023 Notice of Race (NoR), and these Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) for this event is the <u>Twenty Hundred</u> <u>Club</u>.
- 1.3 Current year US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for the "Nearshore" category are applicable for all races. Details for both monohull and multihull vessels are on the US Sailing website at:

https://www.ussailing.org/competition/offshore/safety-information/serworld-sailing-special-regulations/

In addition to the US Nearshore racing requirements, all sailors under the age of 18 must wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD at all times while racing.

2 SCHEDULE OF RACE

2.1 Competitors may begin their circumnavigation of Aquidneck Island anytime between 0000 hours on 1 March 2023 and 2400 Hours on 31 December 2023.

3 RACING AREA

3.1 The racing area includes waters around Aquidneck Island, including Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, the Sakonnet River and Mt. Hope Bay.



- 3.2 There is no limit on where competitors may sail as long as all marks in paragraph 5.3 are observed on their proper side to permit circumnavigation of Aquidneck Island. It is up to each competitor to determine the fastest way to complete the course in a safe manner.
- 3.3 Competitors may elect to stay in the Tiverton Basin as a tactical consideration so long as the total clock time of the circumnavigation attempt does not exceed 24 hours.
- 3.4 Competitors are advised that Narragansett Bay, Sakonnet River and Mt. Hope Bay are regarded as Narrow Channels for the purposes of Rule 9(b). International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS).
- 3.5 Competitors are cautioned to be on the lookout for fish traps during their passage between R "4" GONG, Brenton Reef, and G "1" BELL, SSE of Cormorant Reef.
- 3.6 Competitors are advised that Tiverton Basin is a "No Wake Zone" with 5 knot maximum speed.

4 COURSES

- 4.1 <u>Course</u>: The Challenge Course consists of passing all of the course marks on their individual proper side. Distance 32.0 NM.
- 4.2 Passage must be through the center spans of the Mt. Hope Bridge and Claiborne Pell Newport Bridge.
- 4.3 Other aids to navigation need not be passed on their proper sides. The captain is responsible for navigating in a manner to assure the safety of the vessel and her crew under current conditions.

5 MARKS

- 5.1 Course marks will be government buoys and towers.
- 5.2 Any single course mark may be used as the start and finish mark for this event.

5.3 <u>Course marks</u>:

Identification	Common Name	Approximate Location
R "4" GONG	Brenton Reef	0.5 NM SW of Brenton Pt.
R "2A" BELL	Seal Ledge	1.0 NM SSE of Brenton Pt.
G "1" BELL	Cormorant Reef	1.1 NM S of Sachuest Pt.
GC "11"		0.7 NM W of Nannaquaket Neck
RN "16"	Stone Bridge	0.2 NM SE of Almy Pt.
GC "17"		0.5 NM N of Sakonnet River Bridge
R "4" FI R 4s BELL	Common Fence Pt	0.2 NM NNE of Common Fence Pt
RN "2"		0.4 NM SW of Arnold Pt

6 THE START

6.1 A yacht will select one of the course marks listed in 5.3 or under the center span of the Mt. Hope Bridge or under the center span of the Claiborne Pell Newport Bridge as her start/finish mark. Record the starting time using local GPS time from a position within 2 boat lengths of the mark or bridge center.

7 THE FINISH

7.1 A yacht will be finished when she has rounded all the course marks and attained a position within 2 boat lengths of her start/finish mark.

8 TIME LIMITS

8.1 The time limit including the time to pass through the Tiverton Basin will be 24 hours.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 All yachts are required to complete the attached log and submit it to the Race Committee upon completion of the race course within 72 hours. This form may be photographed and emailed to RaceCommitee@twentyhundredclub.org
- 9.2 Due to the "No Wake Zone" with a 5 knot maximum speed, the transit time to pass from RN "16", Stone Bridge to GC "17", N of the Sakonnet River Bridge, will be deducted from the total circumnavigation time. Use of the engine between these marks is permitted. **This changes RRS 42.1**
- 9.3 PHRF-NB Time Allowances, expressed in seconds per nautical mile, will be applied to the course distance for the purpose of scoring.

10 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 10.1 Since this challenge may be performed in less-than-ideal weather conditions, the Race Committee urges all captains to file a sail plan or otherwise inform an interested party of their plans before starting.
- 10.2 All vessels with Automatic Identification System (AIS) capability are strongly encouraged to use it at all times during the race.

11 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

11.1 Associate Memberships are available for a fee of \$10 to those who do not intend to enter a boat in any races. This membership includes all of the rights and privileges of full membership, including Club communications and voting at meetings, except for entering a boat in a race. Associate Members who decide they do wish to enter a boat in a race may upgrade to full membership.

- 11.2 Participants are encouraged (but not required) to use RaceQs at www.raceqs.com to self-report your race. To use RaceQs, a free account for your boat is required. A free iOS or Android app is also required. A Twenty Hundred Club "AAI Challenge" site hosted by RaceQs will be available for uploading data and viewing participant replay.
 - 11.2.1 Discrepancies and protests which could result in a DSQ may be resolved by the use of RaceQs reporting.
- 11.3 The Club maintains social media accounts for informal communications on Facebook at:
 - <u>https://www.facebook.com/twentyhundredclub/</u>
 - https://www.instagram.com/twentyhundredclub/

Please share your race photos by tagging #twentyhundredclubin your post! Also, please consider following our Facebook and Instagram accounts.

11.4 Further information about this event is available by contacting the OA at <u>RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org</u>.

AROUND AQUIDNECK CHALLENGE LOG

(Email to <u>RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org</u>)

Yacht Name		Sail Num	iber
Date(s) of Circumnavigation		Contact Phone#	
Spinnaker	Cruising	Multi Hull	PHRF Rating

Time Recording Section

Record Time HH:MM:SS	Start Time HH:MM:SS	Finish Time HH:MM:SS	Mark Designation
			GC "17", N of Sakonnet River Bridge
XXXXXXXX			R "4", Common Fence Point
			Mt. Hope Bridge
			RN "2", SW of Arnold Point
			Claiborne Pell Newport Bridge
			R "4" GONG, Brenton Reef
xxxxxxxx			R "2A" BELL, Seal Ledge
			G "1" BELL, Cormorant Reef
xxxxxxx			GC "11", W of Nannaquaket Neck
			RN "16", Stone Bridge

Record mark times in blanks listed, and any mark used for start or finish

Time Computation Section

Α	Finish Time HH:MM:SS
В	Start Time HH:MM:SS
С	Elapsed Route Time C=A-B (must be less than 24 hours)
D	Time at RN "16", Stone Bridge
Ε	Time at GC "17", N of Sakonnet River Bridge
F	Elapsed Time between RN "16" & GC "17" (F=D-E or F=E-D)
G	Computed Elapsed Time (G=C-F)

Skipper Attestation: This is a true and accurate record of our circumnavigation.