

THE TWENTY HUNDRED CLUB Around Aquidneck Island Race Sailing Instructions



Saturday, 17 June 2023, 1030

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> and the Tiverton Yacht Club.
- 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/ser-world-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 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Any changes to the SI will be posted on the <u>Twenty Hundred Club</u> (20HC) website no later than two (2) hours before the first scheduled warning signal.
- 2.2 Any changes to the SI posted within 48 hours before the first scheduled warning signal will also be announced by the Race Committee via radio on VHF channel 72.



3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 All notices to competitors prior to 0600 on the day of the race will be posted on <u>Twenty Hundred Club (20HC) website</u>. Any notices after 0600 will be made by the Race Committee on VHF channel 72.
- On the water, the Race Committee will monitor and communicate with competitors via radio on VHF channel 72. **All competitors are expected to continuously monitor this channel.**
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 CODE OF CONDUCT

4.1 Competitors and support persons shall comply with reasonable requests from race officials.

5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

5.1 No signals will be made ashore. All signals will be made from the Race Committee boat.

6 SCHEDULE OF RACE

6.1 Saturday, 17 June 2023, 1030 hours first warning signal. There will be only one race.

7 CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 Class & Division flags may be used in this event.
- 7.2 When used, the flags will be:

Class & Division	Flag
Cruising II	Number Pennant "1"
Cruising I	Number Pennant "2"
Spinnaker B	Number Pennant "3"
Spinnaker A	Number Pennant "4"
Multihull	Number Pennant "5"

8 RACING AREA

- 8.1 The racing area includes the waters around Aquidneck Island including Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, and the Sakonnet River.
- 8.2 Competitors are advised that Narragansett Bay and the Sakonnet River are regarded as Narrow Channels for the purposes of Rule 9(b).

 International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea (COLREGS).
- 8.3 Competitors are cautioned to be on the lookout for fish traps during their passage between R "2" QR WHIS, Breton Point, and G "1" BELL, Cormorant Reef.
- 8.4 Competitors are advised to leave Gould Island to Port after finishing the race.
- 8.5 Competitors are advised that Tiverton Basin is a "No Wake Zone" with 5 knot maximum speed.

9 COURSES

- 9.1 <u>Course</u>: From the starting line to R "12" Fl R 4s BELL, Rose Island, to port; R "2" QR WHIS, Brenton Point, to port; G "1" BELL, Cormorant Reef, to port; GC "5", High Hill Pt, to port; to finish. Distance 27.7 nautical miles.
- 9.2 Passage must be through the center span of the Claiborne Pell Newport Bridge, and competitors must pass between GC "7" and RN "8", SW of Sapowet Pt in the Sakonnet River.
 - 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 the current conditions.
- 9.3 The Race Committee may shorten the course at any mark by announcing the new finish mark on VHF channel 72. The Race Committee boat shall also fly code flag "S" in that event.

10 MARKS

- 10.1 Course marks will be government buoys and towers.
- 10.2 G "3" FI G 4s BELL, S of HOG I SHOAL lighthouse, is used as the start mark for this event.
- 10.3 RN "12", S of Gould Island in the Sakonnet River, is used as the finish mark for this event.

10.4 Course marks:

Identification	Common Name	Approximate Location
R "12" FI R 4s BELL	Rose Island	0.1 NM SW of Rose Island
R "2" QR WHIS	Brenton Point	1.0 NM SSW of Brenton Pt
G "1" BELL	Cormorant Reef	1.1 NM S of Sachuest Pt.
GC"5"	High Hill Pt	0.5 NM WSW of High Hill Pt

11 THE START

- 11.1 The race will be started in accordance with **RRS 26**. The first warning signal will be at 1030. The first start will be at 1035. GPS time will be used.
- All boats must check in with the Race Committee by sail number at least 10 minutes prior to their assigned starting time.
- 11.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying a white or orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the starting mark, G "3" Fl G 4s GONG, S of HOG I SHOAL lighthouse.
 - 11.3.1 The Race Committee may substitute a temporary float for the designated start mark in the event that the designated start mark is not sufficiently accessible for starting the race.
 - 11.3.2 In the event of a start mark substitution, the Race Committee will announce the substitution on VHF channel 72 at least 10 minutes before the first warning signal.
- 11.4 A boat may use any means of propulsion until five minutes before its assigned start time.
- Boats shall keep clear of the starting area until five minutes before their assigned start time.

11.6 Starting sequence:

Time	Signal	Sound & Flags
1030	Cruising II Warning	Horn, Number Pennant "1" raised
1031	Cruising II Preparatory	Horn, "P" raised
1034	Cruising II One Minute	Long Horn, "P" drops
1035	Cruising II Start	Horn, N.P. "1" drops
1045	Cruising I Warning	Horn, N.P. "2" raised
1046	Cruising I Preparatory	Horn, "P" raised
1049	Cruising I One Minute	Long Horn, "P" drops
1050	Cruising I Start	Horn, N.P. "2" drops
1100	Spinnaker B Warning	Horn, N.P. "3" raised
1101	Spinnaker B Preparatory	Horn, "P" raised
1104	Spinnaker B One Minute	Long Horn, "P" drops
1105	Spinnaker B Start	Horn, N.P. "3" drops
1115	Spinnaker A Warning	Horn, N.P. "4" raised
1116	Spinnaker A Preparatory	Horn, "P" raised
1119	Spinnaker A One Minute	Long Horn, "P" drops
1120	Spinnaker A Start	Horn, N.P. "4" drops
1130	Multihull Warning*	Horn, N.P. "5" raised
1131	Multihull Preparatory*	Horn, "P" raised
1134	Multihull One Minute*	Long Horn, "P" drops
1135	Multihull Start*	Horn, N.P. "5" drops

^{*}As needed based on entries

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

- 11.7 Multiple starts may be combined at the discretion of the Race Committee by announcing the change on VHF channel 72 at least 5 minutes before the earliest affected start time.
 - 11.7.1 The combined start time will be no earlier than the start time of the latest starting division in the combined group.
 - 11.7.2 In the event that the starts of divisions within the same class are combined, only one set of prizes will be awarded for the combined divisions.
- 11.8 If no Race Committee boat is on station for the start, the following will apply:
 - 11.8.1 The start line will be between the starting mark, G "3" FI G 4s GONG, and the lighthouse, HOG I SHOAL Iso 6s 54 ft 12M HORN.
 - 11.8.2 There will be no signal flags.

11.8.3 GPS time will be used by competitors to start at their assigned times specified in Rule 11.6 above with sound signals and a verbal countdown on VHF channel 72 made by a competitor designated by the OA.

12 POSTPONEMENTS

- 12.1 Before a start signal, the Race Committee may for any reason postpone a start or abandon the race.
- 12.2 If a postponement is necessary, the Race Committee will signal postponements in multiples of 10-minute intervals and will advise the fleet accordingly on VHF channel 72. **THIS CHANGES RRS 27.3.**
- 12.3 If an abandonment is necessary, the Race Committee will advise the fleet accordingly on VHF channel 72. **THIS CHANGES RRS 27.3.**

13 RECALLS

When at a boat's starting signal any part of her hull is on the course side of the starting line, the Race Committee shall promptly make one sound and announce on VHF channel 72 the name(s) and sail number(s) of any such boat(s). The violating boat(s) shall sail across an extension of the starting line from the course side so that her hull(s) is completely on the pre-start side before she *starts*. **THIS CHANGES RRS 29.1.**

14 THE FINISH

- 14.1 The finish line will be between a staff displaying a white or orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the finish mark, RN "12", S of Gould Island in the Sakonnet River.
- 14.2 The Race Committee will remain on station until all starters have finished or reported retiring, or as late as 1700 hours.
- 14.3 If no Race Committee boat is on station for the finish, the following will apply:
 - 14.3.1 When RN "12", S of Gould Island in the Sakonnet River, bears 090 degrees magnetic and is within 100 feet, the boat shall be finished.
 - 14.3.2 Competitors should be prepared to take their own finish time (in hh:mm:ss). Take your own GPS time as you finish and note the boats finishing just ahead and just behind you. Report to the Race Committee as soon as possible your time and those two closest boats on VHF channel 72 or via e-mail to RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org.

15 TIME LIMITS

15.1 There is no time limit.

16 HEARING REQUESTS

- 16.1 Protests are strongly discouraged.
- Boats intending to protest shall display a red flag and announce the protest on VHF channel 72 at the first reasonable opportunity for each.
- Boats intending to protest must notify the Race Committee immediately upon crossing the finish line.
- 16.4 Protests shall be written on a form available from the Race Committee boat or on a downloaded US Sailing Protest Form linked at the bottom of the Twenty Hundred Club Race Page. Protests must be lodged within one hour after the protesting boat finishes.
- 16.5 If there is a post-race event at the Tiverton Yacht Club, hearing times will be announced at 1730 hours at the Club. If there is not a post-race event, hearing times will be announced via email to all competitors.

17 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 17.1 Yachts retiring from a race are required to notify the Race Committee. In the event that VHF communication is not possible (due to distance, equipment problems or other reasons), the retiring yacht should send an email to RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org or contact one of the officers by phone (contact information at https://twentyhundredclub.org/about-the-club-2/officers/).
- 17.2 All vessels with Automatic Identification System (AIS) capability are strongly encouraged to use it at all times during the race.

18 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Preliminary results may be announced at 1730 hours at the Tiverton Yacht Club following the race, and will be posted to the Twenty Hundred Club Race Page.
- 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.
- 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 "AAR" site hosted by RaceQs will be available for uploading data and viewing participant replay.
 - 18.3.1 Discrepancies and protests which could result in a DSQ may be resolved by the use of RaceQs reporting.

- 18.4 The Club maintains social media accounts for informal communications on Facebook at:
 - https://www.facebook.com/twentyhundredclub/
 - https://www.instagram.com/twentyhundredclub/

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

18.5 Further information about this event is available by contacting the OA at RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org.