



## THE TWENTY HUNDRED CLUB 2025 Race Season

### Notice of Race (NoR)



Sailors are reminded that under the **2025-2028 RRS Appendix J**, "A rule in the notice of race need not be repeated in the sailing instructions," so the NoR and the [Sailing Instructions \(SI\)](#) documents must be used together.

## 1 RULES

1.1 All events are governed by the rules as defined in [2025-2028 Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#), this Twenty Hundred Club Notice of Race (NoR), and the appropriate race [Sailing Instructions \(SI\)](#).

1.2 The organizing authority (OA) is the [Twenty Hundred Club](#) (20HC). The Spring Race also includes the [Tiverton Yacht Club](#) (TYC) as an OA and as host of the post-race social event.

1.3 Power driven winches and furlers are permitted in all events. This changes [RRS](#) 52 (Manual Power.)

1.4 The protest committee may impose a penalty other than a DSQ which may include a warning. This changes [RRS](#) 63.5.

1.5 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.

1.6 The Race Season will consist of six Races and one Challenge.

## 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be posted online at the 20HC [Race Page](#) no later than seven days before each race.

2.2 Any changes to the SIs will be posted on the 20HC [Race Page](#) no later than two (2) hours before the first scheduled warning signal.

2.3 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.

- 2.4 The OA will establish splits and the final scratch sheet will be available on the 20HC [Race Page](#) no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal.

### **3 COMMUNICATION**

- 3.1 All race documents, changes and notices will be posted on the 20HC [Race Page](#).
- 3.2 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 The 20HC maintains a WhatsApp Community at <https://chat.whatsapp.com/JmEONixowPCBUcxufUh5c6>.

This community will be an additional channel to enable text communications between 20HC participants.

For example, the WhatsApp may be used when:

- VHF communications are spotty between locations on the water, such as the different starting locations for the Prince Henry Race;
- Sharing photos, videos, etc. from races and events; and
- Finding out details for the next social event.

NOTE: One can mute specific groups in WhatsApp if you're not interested in receiving notifications from that group.

- 3.4 All notices to competitors prior to 0600 on the day of the race will be posted on [20HC website](#). Any notices after 0600 will be made by the Race Committee on VHF channel 72.
- 3.5 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.
- 3.6 The Club also maintains social media accounts for informal communications on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/twentyhundredclub> and on Instagram at <https://www.instagram.com/twentyhundredclub>. Please consider following our account. To share regatta photos simply tag @TwentyHundredClub in your post!

### **4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 4.1 Each Race is open to all yachts with a current [PHRF-NB](#) rating and to Multihulls having a current [New England Multihull Association](#) rating.
- 4.2 Registrants must be a current year [20HC](#) member, or for the Spring Race, registrants may be a Tiverton YC member.

- 4.3 Entries may be made in the following Classes:
- Spinnaker
  - Cruising Canvas
  - Multihull
- 4.4 Cruising Canvas Class Rules:
- 4.4.1 Spinnakers, mizzen spinnakers, and mizzen staysails are not allowed.
- 4.4.2 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.
- 4.5 A minimum of three boats is required to establish a Class (Spinnaker, Cruising, Multihull). This may be modified by the OA.
- 4.6 Yachts may change their Class by notifying the OA at [RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org](mailto:RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org) no later than 48 hours before the first warning signal for a race.
- 4.7 Each Class may be split into two Divisions (A & B, or I & II) based on the number of yachts entered in that Class. Splits will be determined by the PHRF ratings of the yachts in the class at the time of setting the final scratch sheet or at the discretion of the 20HC Race Committee.
- 4.8 If permitted by a Race's Sailing Instructions, yachts may elect to compete with Single-handed, Double-handed, or Youth Series Championship scoring.
- 4.9 Youth Series Championship Rules:
- 4.9.1 Youth Series Championship yacht crews MUST include one adult supervisor who has reached at least his/her 18<sup>th</sup> year and who is responsible for the vessel and crew. The adult supervisor may not helm, trim, or otherwise actively sail the vessel unless an emergency arises if he/she has reached his/her 25<sup>th</sup> year, but may coach.
- 4.9.2 No sailor, other than the adult supervisor, shall be permitted to participate if they have reached their 25<sup>th</sup> year by the date the race is held.
- 4.10 Yacht identifying numbers must be displayed on the mainsail.
- 4.11 Participants must enter and pay any associated fees on the 20HC [Race Page](#).
- 4.12 Entries must be completed one week before the associated race.
- 4.13 Late entries will be accepted up to 48 hours before the first warning for a race with the payment of an additional fee.

4.14 The OA will establish Class splits and the final scratch sheets will be published on the 20HC [Race Page](#) no later than 24 hours before the first warning signal for the associated race.

## 5 FEES

5.1 The Twenty Hundred Club offers a [Membership plus 5 Race Package](#) for \$130 that includes membership and the entry fee for all 20HC races scheduled during the season. Race fees and associated deadlines are listed below for those who do not purchase the Membership/Race Package.

5.2 Participation in the Around Aquidneck Challenge and in the Bridge Fiasco is included in Club membership with no additional fee. Participants must still enter their yacht on the [20HC website](#).

5.3 All other 20HC race entries have a fee of \$40 if paid at least one week before the associated race. Club Membership (\$60) is required for participation in races.

5.4 Late entries for 20HC races are permitted up to 48 hours before the first warning for the associated race with a race fee of \$70.

## 6 SCHEDULE

6.1 A date is provided for each race. No Storm Dates are provided. Should inclement weather be forecast, the OA will assess the forecasted conditions and, if a decision is made to cancel, shall post on the [20HC website](#) and email registered competitors announcing the cancellation no later than six (6) hours before the posted first warning.

6.2 Race Dates:

<b>Race</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>First Warning</b>
Around Aquidneck Challenge	15 April to 31 Dec 2025	Not Applicable
Bridge Fiasco Race	Saturday, 17 May 2025	0900
Around Aquidneck Spring Race	Saturday, 7 Jun 2025	1030
Cuttyhunk Race	Saturday, 19 Jul 2025	1030
Block Island Race (Newport to BI)	Saturday, 2 Aug 2025	1030
Block Island Race (BI to Newport)	Monday, 4 Aug 2025	1030
Prince Henry Race	Saturday, 23 Aug 2025	0850
Around Prudence Fall Race	Saturday, 20 Sep 2025	1030

6.3 The Youth Series Championship for 2025 will be contested by qualified yachts as part of each 20HC race for the 2025 season (excluding the Around Aquidneck Island Challenge.)

## 7 VENUES

7.1 The starting and race areas are indicated in the table below and will be further defined in the Sailing Instructions.

Race	Starting Area	Race Area
Around Aquidneck Challenge	Various marks located around Aquidneck Island as designated in the SI	Waters around Aquidneck Island
Bridge Fiasco Race	Between Halfway Rock & Prudence Island	Narragansett Bay East & West Passage
Around Aquidneck Spring Race	Vicinity of Hog Island G3	Waters around Aquidneck Island
Cuttyhunk Race	Vicinity of Rose Island G3	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Buzzards Bay
Block Island Race (Newport to BI)	Vicinity of Rose Island G3	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Block Island Sound
Block Island Race (BI to Newport)	Vicinity of R2 Bell NW New Harbor entrance	Block Island Sound, Rhode Island Sound, Narragansett Bay
Prince Henry Race	Various marks in Narragansett Bay as listed in the SI	Narragansett Bay, Rhode Island Sound, Sakonnet River, Mount Hope Bay
Around Prudence Fall Race	Vicinity of Allens Harbor R14	Waters around Prudence Island

## 8 COURSES

8.1 The courses to be sailed in each race will be specified in the SI for that race.

8.2 Course marks will all be government navigational buoys and will be identified in the SI for each race.

## 9 PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 The protest committee may impose a penalty other than a DSQ which may include a warning. This changes [RRS 63.5](#).

9.2 The 720-degree turns penalty, RRS 44.1 and 44.2, will apply.

9.3 **RRS Appendix P** does not apply.

## 10 SCORING

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System Appendix A of the [RRS](#) will apply, as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 10.2 The 20HC assigns a PHRF penalty for competitors finishing in the top three positions for the past years' races. These penalties are listed on the scratch sheet and are subtracted from the yacht's PHRF and displayed as "Final PHRF" on the scratch sheet. The Final PHRF values are used to calculate the corrected finish. Further information about the PHRF penalties may be found on the 20HC [Rules for Penalties](#) page. No PHRF penalties are applied for the Around Aquidneck Island Challenge.
- 10.3 The Block Island Race is scored as a series with awards for the overall series.
- 10.4 The Around Aquidneck Challenge is scored for the fastest corrected time awarded to each class.
- 10.5 Separate scoring for Single-handed, Double-handed and Youth Series Championship qualified yachts may be specified in a race's SIs for specific Classes and Divisions.
- 10.6 Youth Series Championship Scoring:
- 10.6.1 Youth Series Championship qualified yachts are scored with supplementary time allowances added to the yachts' PHRF as follows:

<b>Sailors Average Age</b>	<b>Supp. Time Allowance (seconds per nautical mile)</b>
20 to 25 years	5
16 to less than 20 years	10
Less than 16 years	15

Average ages computed without rounding.

- 10.6.2 The sailors' average age will be calculated on the date of the Race, excluding the age of the required adult supervisor (unless the adult supervisor is between 18 and 25 years of age and an active participant in the youth entry).
- 10.6.3 Youth Series Championship qualified yachts may register for any 20HC race and use the Youth Series Championship Scoring.

## 11 RISK STATEMENT

- 11.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of

equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

## **12 INSURANCE**

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## **13 WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

13.1 Competitors participate in each Race entirely at their own risk. See [RRS](#) 4, Decision to Race. The OA and other sponsors will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after a Race or event.

13.2 Each competitor participating in a Race shall submit an online Liability and Media Waiver (part of the 20HC registration process) prior to racing.

## **14 PRIZES**

14.1 Awards will be presented at the 20HC Spring Shore Party and Awards Ceremony to be announced separately.

14.2 Prizes will be awarded to the boat in each Class with the best corrected time for the Around Aquidneck Challenge.

14.3 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in each Class/Division for all other Races.

14.4 Perpetual trophies will be awarded to yachts according to the criteria described on the 20HC Race Page at [Perpetual Trophies](#).

14.5 Prizes will be awarded to the top three boats in the Youth Series Championship.

## **15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

15.1 Associate Memberships are available for a fee of \$10 to those who do not intend to enter a boat in any Race. 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.

- 15.2 Participants are encouraged (but not required) to use RaceQs at [www.raceqs.com](http://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. For each race, a specific race site hosted by RaceQs will be identified in that Race's SI for uploading data and viewing participant replay.
- 15.2.1 Discrepancies and protests which could result in a DSQ may be resolved by the use of RaceQs reporting.
- 15.3 Post-race Events:
- 15.3.1 *Bridge Fiasco*: If a post-race event is to occur, a separate email will be sent to competitors with specific information.
- 15.3.2 *Spring Race Around Aquidneck*: A post-race event will occur at the Tiverton YC. A limited amount of dock space is available at TYC at no charge for the post-race event. Overnight stays may be available; please contact TYC for availability. There are several other marinas in close proximity to TYC.
- 15.3.3 *Cuttyhunk Race*: A social gathering will start at ~1730 with finishes announced at ~1800 on the town dock in Cuttyhunk Harbor. Finishes will also be posted to the 20HC Race Page.
- 15.3.4 *Block Island Race*: A post-race party will be held under the tent at Champlin's Marina in New Harbor. Meal tickets will be available in the 20HC Shop on the [Social Events](#) tab. Purchasing tickets prior to the race weekend is strongly recommended to identify the appropriate head count for the facility. There will be a cash bar. No social events are planned for the day after the race to BI or after the return race.
- 15.3.5 *Prince Henry Race*: If a post-race event is to occur, a separate email will be sent to competitors with specific information.
- 15.3.6 *Fall Race Around Prudence*: If a post-race event is to occur, a separate email will be sent to competitors with specific information
- 15.3.7 Further information is available by contacting the OA at [RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org](mailto:RaceCommittee@twentyhundredclub.org).