



Notice of Race and Event Sailing Instructions
24th Annual Hospice Regatta
for Care Dimensions
Sunday, June 17, 2018
Organizing Authority: *Eastern Yacht Club*



- 2.1 **Eligibility:** The regatta is open to PHRF Racing, Cruising, and One Design Classes. For PHRF yachts this regatta is designated as a qualifier for the Massachusetts Bay PHRF Season Championship. A minimum of three One Design yachts of the same class will constitute a "fleet".
- 2.2 **Entries:** Entries with the fee and a valid PHRF certificate must be submitted to the Eastern Yacht Club before 1730 on June 16th. Register on-line at www.regattaman.com/calendar.php - view an updated scratch sheet on that site.
- 2.3 **Fees:** The entry fee is \$50 (if a check is used make it payable to 'Care Dimensions'). *Late entries may be accepted by the Race Committee and are required to make an additional donation of \$10.*
- 2.4 **Handicaps:** PHRF Time on Time handicapping will be used.
- 3 **Rules:** The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the Mass Bay Sailing Association Notice of Race and General Sailing Instructions (GSI) will govern the regatta, except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions (ESI). **The representative for the 2019 National Hospice Alliance Championship, will be selected from the spinnaker fleets by the rules to be announced at the Skippers' Meeting.**
- 4.1 **Notice to Competitors:** Notices and changes to Sailing Instructions (SI) will be posted on the Official Notice Board located in the EYC Sailing Center and will be available on this event's section on www.regattaman.com. All competitors shall monitor VHF Channel 72 on the water until their start signal to receive possible oral changes to the SI's.
- 4.2 **Skippers' Meeting:** Will be held on the day of the event at 0930 hrs. in the EYC Sailing Center.
- 5 **Changes to Sailing Instructions:** Any written amendments to these Sailing Instructions will be distributed at the Skippers' Meeting and will be posted as set forth above. Oral changes to the sailing instructions may be given on the water communicated on VHF Channel 72 before the Class warning signal.
- 6 **Signals Made Ashore:** Signals made ashore will be displayed from the yardarm of the EYC flagstaff.
- 7.1 **Schedule of Races:** One race is scheduled for all PHRF classes. The RC will attempt to run 2 races for J/105's.
- 7.2 **Warning Signal:** The first warning signal shall be no earlier than 1230 hrs.
- 8 **Classes and Class Flags:** Alphabet code flags will designate classes in accordance with the MBSA class splits. One Design starts will use Class flags. Any class with less than three entries may be combined with another class for a combined start. Classes will be scored independently.
- 9 **Racing Area:** In the vicinity of Tinkers Rock Gong Buoy, MBSA Mark D, List A. All boats shall check-in by sailing past the stern of the Race Committee signal boat.
- 10 **Courses:** The Race Committee intends to use MBSA Standard Courses.
- 11 **Marks:** MBSA Standard Rounding Marks, Lists A & B, or MBSA Standard Courses using orange tetrahedrons. When Mark 1 is orange, a change mark will be a pink tetrahedron, and a subsequent change will revert to orange. If a green flag is flown no later than four (4) minutes before the start it means "Mark 1 for the class about to start will be a green tetrahedron. This applies to each rounding of Mark 1 by this class" (changes RRS 27.1 and Race Signals). When Mark 1 is green, a change mark will be identified by a black band, and a subsequent change will be without a band.
- 13 **The Start:** Races will be started in accordance with RRS 26. The normal time interval between the start of one class and the warning signal for the subsequent class will be approximately two minutes.
- 14 **Recalls:** The Race Committee will attempt to hail OCS boats on VHF channel 72.
- 17 **Time Limit:** The time limit will be 3 hours after the start of each class.
- 19 **Protests:** Protests must be filed on forms provided by the Eastern Yacht Club and submitted to the Race Committee no later than one hour after the Race Committee Signal Boat has docked.
- 24 **Prizes:** Trophies will be awarded in each class with at least three registered competitors. The awards ceremony is scheduled for approximately 1700 hrs.

Social Activities: Sunday social activities will begin after the races. The EYC Sailing Center will be open after the races to offer hospitality to competitors, their crew and guests. Further details may be found on the EYC (www.easternyc.org) and the Care Dimensions Web site www.caredimensions.org/regatta