

**FISHERS ISLAND YACHT CLUB**  
**55th ANNUAL 'ROUND ISLAND RACE**  
**Saturday, September 3, 2011**

The Organizing Authority is Fishers Island Yacht Club.

**SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

**1. Rules**

- a. Races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, the Notice of Race, these Sailing Instructions, and for the International One Design, Ensign and Watch Hill 15, their class rules except as modified by the Sailing Instructions. PHRF handicaps will be used for handicap classes for which the PHRF rules will be the class rules.
- b. The 'Round Island Race is a qualifying race for the Island Cup and is a scheduled race for accumulation of points on the ECSA Offshore Circuit.

**2. Notices to Competitors**

- a. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Fishers Island Yacht Club.
- b. The Race Committee will communicate on VHF Channel 01A. Radio communications are for safety, convenience and courtesy only. Errors or omissions that may result from such communications are not grounds for protest or redress. *This changes Rule 62.1 (a).*

**3. Changes to Sailing Instructions**

- a. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the notice board at Fishers Island Yacht Club before 0900 on the day of the race.
- b. Changes will be broadcast on Channel 01A prior to the first Warning.

**4. Schedule—**

- a. The First Warning signal is scheduled at 1000 hours on Saturday September 3, 2011.
- b. Check In — All starters must hail the Race Committee and be acknowledged prior to starting.

**5. Classes—**

- a. The assignment of yachts to classes, class flags, and order of start will be on the scratch sheet. Scratch sheets will be available on the website ([www.fiyc.net](http://www.fiyc.net)), at FIYC after 1800 on Friday, September 2, and from a race committee launch in the starting area after 0900 on race day.

**6. Courses—**The course for each class shall be signaled with numeral pennant 1, 2, 3, or 4 prior to each class warning signal as follows:

- a. **"1" Around Fishers Island to Port;** leave the following buoys to Port: North Hill Bell (R-2), Race Point Nun (N-2), Lords Passage MOA (L), Wicopesset Rock Cans (C-7, C-9, C-11), Seal Rocks Can (C-15), Youngs Rock Can (C-17), Chocomount Can (C-1W), and Clay Point Can (C-5), then to Finish. Nun 2L at Lord's Passage must be left to starboard.
- b. **"2" Around Fishers Island to Starboard:** reverse course "1" leaving all marks to Starboard. 2L may be ignored.
- c. **"3" Sound course:** North Hill Bell (R-2) to Port, Silver Eel Whistle (SE) to Starboard, Vixen Ledge Nun (N-28) to Starboard, Eel Grass Ground Nun (N-16) to Starboard, West Harbor East Channel Nun (N-2W) to Starboard, Clay Point Can (C-5) to Port, then to Finish.
- d. **"4" Sound course,** reversed: Clay Point Can (C-5) to Starboard, West Harbor East Channel Nun (N-2W) to Port, Eel Grass Ground Nun (N-16) to Port, Vixen Ledge Nun (N-28) to Port, Silver Eel Whistle (SE) to Port, North Hill Bell (R-2) to Starboard, then to Finish.

**7. Start/Finish Line—**

- a. The Start/Finish line will be immediately north of West Harbor between an orange flag displayed on the Committee Boat and a set mark. Boats shall keep clear of the starting area until after the start of the preceding class.
- b. If the RC boat is not on the line at the finish, boats should finish according to the U.S. Prescription to Rule 34; GPS time is preferred.

**8. The Start -**

- a. The race will be started using Rule 26.
- b. No boat shall start later than 30 minutes after the starting signal for her class. *This changes Rule 26.*

**9. Time Limit—**

- a. The time limit by class will be six hours from the start of each class. Boats failing to finish within one hour after the first boat in their class finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "Did Not Finish." *This changes Rule 35.*
- b. Approximately five minutes after the time limit has expired for a class, the Race Committee may announce on VHF channel 01A whether any boat finished in that class.

**10. Protests -**

- a. Protests shall be written on forms available at the Fishers Island Yacht Club and submitted there within one hour of the finish time of the protesting boat. The jury will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt as soon as possible.

**11. Scoring -**

- a. Results for one-design classes will be based on the order of

finish.

- b. Results for handicap classes will be based on the Time on Time scoring method.

**12. Prizes—**

- a. Prizes will be awarded at the post race party at Fishers Island yacht Club for first through third in each class that has at least three entrants. For handicap classes there is also a perpetual trophy for the Fishers Island Yacht Club member/skipper with the best corrected time.
- b. The Island Cup winners will also be announced.
- c. Launch service will be available in West Harbor after the race.
- d. Refreshments will be served as soon as possible after the racing at the Yacht Club.