



# SIYC

## Race Week at Shelter Island

### Around-the-Island-Race

**Friday August 7, 2026**  
**Sailing Instructions**

#### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 Except as changed by these sailing instructions, The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the ELIYA General Conditions.

#### **2 NOTICES, COMPETITOR INFORMATION and SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 2.1 Any notices, amendments to the Sailing Instructions and all results will be posted on Yacht Scoring. This amends RRS 90.2(c).
- 2.2 Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be available before 0900 hours on the day of the race. Code flag "L" will be hoisted on the flagpole at the Shelter Island Yacht Club. Sailing instructions and any amendments will not be available from the Race Committee Signal Boat.
- 2.3 When "AP" is displayed ashore the first warning signal will be made not less than 60 minutes after the AP displayed ashore is lowered.
- 2.4 The Race Committee will announce the location of the start and any other necessary information over VHF Channel 72 starting at 1200 hours.
- 2.5 Failure to hear or see any notices, signals made ashore changes or amendments will not be cause for redress.

#### **3 DIVISIONS and IDENTIFICATION**

**Division assignments will be indicated on the Scratch Sheet which will be posted on Yacht Scoring.**

To facilitate identification by other entrants and the Race Committee, entrants are highly encouraged to display the numeric pennant corresponding to their division from the backstay or from another prominent location if no backstay is available.

#### **4 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 4.1 There will be a race for each of the divisions identified on the scratch sheet.
- 4.2 The scheduled time for the warning signal for the first division to start a race will be 1300 hours.
- 4.3 The warning signal for subsequent divisions shall be made with or after the starting signal for the preceding division.
- 4.4 Divisions might not start in numerical order. The Race Committee may combine two or more Divisions into one start by displaying multiple division flags at the Warning Signal. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce the next division(s) to start on VHF Channel 72.
- 4.5 The warning signal for the first division to start a race shall not be made after 1700 hours.

## **5 LOCATION OF THE START**

The start will be in the vicinity of the Shelter Island Yacht Club.

## **6 CHECK-IN AND RETIREMENT**

6.1 **There is NO check-in.** Registration on Yacht Scoring replaces check-in.

6.2 A yacht that retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF Channel 72 as soon as possible.

## **7 COURSES MARKS**

The courses and marks are described in Appendix A.

## **8 THE START**

8.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal.

8.2 The starting line is described in Appendix A.

8.3 Yachts whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.

8.4 A yacht starting later than 15 minutes after her starting signal will be scored DNS. This changes Rule A4.

## **9 INDIVIDUAL RECALLS**

9.1 The Race Committee will endeavor to hail each premature starter over VHF Channel 72. However, failure to make such an announcement, nor the timing or order of such an announcement, shall not be grounds for redress. This changes Rule 61.1.

9.2 In the event of a general recall for any division, the start sequence will restart with the recalled division.

## **10 THE FINISH**

The finish is described in Appendix A.

## **11 GOVERNMENT BUOYS**

Government buoys have no required side except when specified as marks of the course. Caution should be exercised for safe navigation.

## **12 PENALTY SYTEM**

Rule 44.1 is changed to incorporate Rule V1.

## **13 TIME LIMITS**

13.1 The time limit for each division will be five (5) hours after the start time for that division.

13.2 If the time limit for a division expires per RRS 35, the race will be abandoned for that division. Abandonment will be signaled by the Race Committee by displaying code flags "N" over "A" and the division flag for each abandoned division and an announcement over VHF Channel 72.

## **14 PROTESTS AND REQUEST FOR REDRESS**

- 14.1 A yacht intending to protest is requested to report both their intention to protest and the yacht(s) being protested to the Race Committee over VHF Channel 72 at the finish of the race.
- 14.2 Protests or requests for redress shall be submitted as soon as practicable but not later than one (1) hour after the Race Committee Finish Boat has docked or ½ hour after the last yacht in each fleet has reached the mooring area by SIYC, whichever is later. The time limit for a protest hearing will be posted on the SIYC Notice Board at the front of the SIYC clubhouse.
- 14.3 All protest hearings will take place at the SIYC as soon as possible after the notices are posted. The Protest Committee will attempt to hear protests in the order of receipt. Representatives of yachts who are parties to a hearing shall remain on call in the vicinity of the protest rooms (SIYC Sailing Center).
- 14.4 When a yacht has been involved in an incident that may be subject to a protest, it is her responsibility to check the protest notices at the end of the protest filing time to see if she is cited in a protest. Failure of any yacht to appear when called for a hearing will be considered by the Protest Committee as grounds for proceeding under Rule 63.1.
- 14.5 Rule 63 is changed by adding "A protest involving contact may be heard by the Protest Committee even though the requirements of 60.2 and 60.3 have not been fulfilled".
- 14.6 Breaches of SIs 6 and 8.3 will not be grounds for protest by a yacht. This changes Rule 60.1.

## **15 SCORING**

PHRF entries will be scored using time-on-time scoring with PHRF TCFs calculated using the current ELIYA formula. IRC entries will be scored using the IRC Time Corrector (TCC) using time-on-time scoring.

## **16 SAFETY**

It is recommended that all boats be compliant with the current US Safety Requirements (USSER) US Near Shore category. These regulations are available on the US Sailing website. Competitors participate in this race at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the person in charge of the boat.

## **17 COMMUNICATIONS**

- 17.1 The Race Committee will monitor VHF Channel 72 for race related communications. Boats shall carry an operating VHF radio capable of receiving weather bulletins and communications from the Race Committee as well as communicating any emergency on board.
- 17.2 In the event of an emergency, contact the Race Committee on **Channel 72**.

## **18 PRIZES**

Awards for the top boats in each class will be presented at the Competitor's party immediately following the Race.

## **19 OFFICIAL BOATS**

Official boats will be marked as follows:

|                     |                                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Signal/Finish Boats | Blue race committee flag        |
| Mark and Pin Boats  | Yellow auxiliary committee flag |

## **20 LIABILITY WAIVER**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. A boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Attention is also drawn to RRS 46 and USSER 1.2, Responsibility. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, illness, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **21 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be adequately insured with valid third-party liability insurance that is appropriate taking into account the value of the boats racing and the type of racing.

## **22 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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# **RACE WEEK AT SHELTER ISLAND**

## **AROUND-THE-ISLAND-RACE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **Appendix A – Courses and Marks**

#### **A1 COURSES**

The flag(s) designating the course to be sailed will be displayed at least 5 minutes prior to the warning signal for each division start. The Race Committee will endeavor to announce the designated courses over VHF channel 72. Failure to make such an announcement shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

##### **A1.1 START**

Between a staff displaying an Orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and the course side of a green inflatable buoy set in the vicinity of the Shelter Island Yacht Club.

##### **A1.2 WINDWARD MARK**

In order to achieve a proper start, the Race Committee may elect to set a weather mark at a distance from the starting line. The bearing and distance to this weather mark will be displayed on the Race Committee Signal boat with a white board. A flag "W" (windward mark) will be displayed over a red flag (leave to port) or a green flag (leave to starboard) at least five minutes prior to the first warning signal.

##### **A1.3 SHORTEN COURSE**

**A1.3.1** The courses may be shortened at any course mark in accordance with Rule 32.

**A1.3.2** If instead of flying Code Flag "S" the Committee Boat is flying Code Flag "R" yachts are to round the committee boat, leaving it to port then proceed to the finish at the mouth of Dering Harbor, reversing the rounding of marks along the course to the finish. This changes Rule 32.

##### **A1.4 FINISH**

The finish will be between a staff displaying a Blue flag on the Race Committee Finish Boat and the course side of a white inflatable buoy located in the vicinity of the mouth of Dering Harbor. The finish boat may be different from the start boat.

## A1.5 COURSE “A” DESCRIPTION

Course “A” will be signaled by flag “Alpha” displayed five minutes before the division flag(s). From the start (or weather mark, if there is one) sail counterclockwise around Shelter Island to the finish. The following marks shall be left as indicated:

|                                                    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| R “10” Greenport Channel                           | Starboard |
| [ G “11” Jennings Pt. <u>not applicable</u> 2026 ] |           |
| R “12” Paradise Point                              | Starboard |
| R”16” Noyac Bay                                    | Port      |
| G “15” Tyndal Point                                | Starboard |
| N “8” 0.5nm south of Mashomack Pt                  | Port      |
| N “6” Opposite Cedar Point                         | Port      |
| N “4” Nicoll Point                                 | Port      |
| G “1” Coecles Harbor                               | Port      |
| C “3” Greenport Channel                            | Port      |
| G “7” Greenport Channel                            | Port      |

## A1.6 COURSE “A2” DESCRIPTION

Course “A2” will be signaled by flag “Alpha” and white flag with a blue number 2 underneath displayed five minutes before the division flag(s). From the start (or weather mark if there is one) sail counterclockwise around Shelter Island to the finish. The following marks shall be left as indicated:

|                                                    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| R “10” Greenport Channel                           | Starboard |
| [ G “11” Jennings Pt. <u>not applicable</u> 2026 ] |           |
| R “12” Paradise Point                              | Starboard |
| R”16” Noyac Bay                                    | Port      |
| G “15” Tyndal Point                                | Starboard |
| N “8” 0.5nm south of Mashomack Pt                  | Port      |
| N “6” Opposite Cedar Point                         | Port      |
| RW “N” Mo(A) WHIS                                  | Port      |
| R “2” Bell Greenport Channel                       | Starboard |
| G “7” Greenport Channel                            | Port      |

### A1.7 COURSE “B” DESCRIPTION

Course “B” will be signaled by flag “Bravo” displayed five minutes before the division flag(s). From the start (or weather mark if there is one) sail clockwise around Shelter Island to the finish. The following government marks shall be rounded as indicated:

|                                                    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| G “7” Greenport Channel                            | Starboard |
| C “3” Greenport Channel                            | Starboard |
| G “1” Coecles Harbor                               | Starboard |
| N “4” Nicoll Point                                 | Starboard |
| N “6” Opposite Cedar Point                         | Starboard |
| N “8” 0.5nm south of Mashomack Pt                  | Starboard |
| G “15” Tyndal Point                                | Port      |
| R”16” Noyac Bay                                    | Starboard |
| R “12” Paradise Point                              | Port      |
| [ G “11” Jennings Pt. <u>not applicable</u> 2026 ] |           |
| R “10” Greenport Channel                           | Port      |

### A1.8 COURSE “B2” DESCRIPTION

Course “B2” will be signaled by flag “Bravo” and white flag with a blue number 2 underneath displayed five minutes before the division flag(s). From the start (or weather mark if there is one) sail clockwise around Shelter Island to the finish. The following marks shall be left as indicated:

|                                                    |           |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| G “7” Greenport Channel                            | Starboard |
| R “2” Bell Greenport Channel                       | Port      |
| RW “N” Mo(A) WHIS                                  | Starboard |
| N “6” Opposite Cedar Point                         | Starboard |
| N “8” 0.5nm south of Mashomack Pt                  | Starboard |
| G “15” Tyndal Point                                | Port      |
| R”16” Noyac Bay                                    | Starboard |
| R “12” Paradise Point                              | Port      |
| [ G “11” Jennings Pt. <u>not applicable</u> 2026 ] |           |
| R “10” Greenport Channel                           | Port      |

### **A1.9 ALTERNATE COURSE DESCRIPTION**

If an alternate course is to be sailed, it will be signaled by flag “Charlie” displayed five minutes before the division flag(s). Each course will be defined by government marks which are to be passed and the order and side on which each mark is to be left. Courses will be announced on VHF Ch 72, displayed on a whiteboard on the signal boat and if possible, posted on Yacht Scoring.