



Stamford Yacht Club

2026 Stamford Overnight Race

Friday, August 21

Notice of Race

1. Rules

The races shall be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing and the prescriptions of US Sailing except as any of these are altered by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions.

The Yacht Racing Association of Long Island Sound's (YRALIS) current PHRF regulations.

All boats shall comply with the US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) for near-shore races.

Each yacht shall have a VHF radio on board that is capable of transmitting and receiving on Channel 16 and 05A.

Rule 42 is changed to permit wind vanes and/or auto-pilots during racing for the double-handed class.

2. Eligibility

Open to any single hull sailing boat, 24' LOA or longer, holding a current PHRF certificate from YRA of LIS.

3. Schedule

The first signal for this race is scheduled for 1900.

4. Race Area

The Signal Vessel will be in the vicinity of The Cows (Red Bell R32). The racing area will be the waters of Long Island Sound reaching from Stamford CT to Stratford CT and Port Jefferson NY.

5. Registration

The entry fee for this event is \$50.00.

All entries and payments are to be made online on the event YachtScoring website www.yachtscoring.com

Entries must be completed and received by 1800 on Wednesday August 19.

6. Sailing Instructions

Prior to race day, the sailing instructions will be available on the event Yacht Scoring website. www.yachtscoring.com

- 7. Divisions** Boats will be divided into divisions based upon entries in spinnaker, non-spinnaker, and double-handed boats. Divisions may be divided into Classes.
- Prior to race day, scratch sheets showing class assignments will be available on the event Yacht Scoring website www.yachtscoring.com
- Prior to the First Signal and while racing, each yacht shall display from their backstay and at least six feet above the deck, the code flag corresponding to her class assignment.
- 8. Courses** Courses may include turning marks Bell R18 (Stratford Point), Green Can 1 easterly of Middle Ground, R/W "PJ" of Port Jefferson and Red Bell 32 "The Cows" and will be specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9. Ratings/Scoring** YRA of LIS Distance PHRF ratings converted to Time on Time.
- Scoring will be computed using time-on-time correction factor:
$$650 / (550 + \text{PHRF}) \times \text{Elapsed Time} = \text{Corrected Time}$$
- 10. Safety** All boats shall comply with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER) for Nearshore races. [US Sailing Safety - Nearshore](#)
- 11. Responsibility** As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Stamford Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Organizing Authority and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant. The Stamford Yacht Club bears no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their personnel arising from any cause during the race. Review RRS Rule 3.
- 12. Prizes** The Stamford Overnight Race is a qualifier for Windigo, Sagola, King's Point, Lighthouse, and Mertz trophies.
- Prizes for top participating boats will be awarded at the SYC Awards Ceremony.
- 13. CONTACT INFORMATION**
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