

**Lighthouse Regatta
Shennecossett Yacht Club
Saturday, August 1, 2026
Groton, CT USA**

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the most current Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Scratch sheets and sailing instructions will be available on the Official Notice Board at [Yacht Scoring](#) no later than 1800 Thursday July 30th 2026
- 2.2. The First Warning is scheduled for Saturday August 1st, 2026, at NOON. First start is at 1205.
- 2.3. The Starting Area will be in the vicinity of VIXEN buoy “VL 28”.

3. ELIGIBILITY

- 3.1. The event is open to all monohull boats 23.5 feet in length with PHRF-Eastern Connecticut handicap ratings or ORC. Spinnaker and non-spinnaker classes will be offered. Class assignment will be determined by the Race Committee.
- 3.2. To be considered an entry in this regatta, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees no later than midnight Thursday, July 31st [Yacht Scoring](#)

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1. The Official Notice Board is located on-line at [Yacht Scoring](#)
- 4.2. All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating with channel 01A.
- 4.3. The Race Committee shall make courtesy broadcasts to the competitors via channel 01A
- 4.4. From her warning signal until she finishes, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions or receive communications that are not available to all boats.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The fee for this regatta is \$40.00 per boat.
- 5.2. Register for this regatta using [Yacht Scoring](#)
- 5.3. Party tickets are \$15.00 with registration, \$20.00 at the door.

6. VENUE

- 6.1. One distance race of approximately 10-20 miles is scheduled with in Fishers Island Sound at the discretion of the Race Committee and prevailing wind conditions. Course details provided in the Sailing Instructions.

7. SCORING

- 7.1. All PHRF classes will be scored using Time on Time method and current PHRF handicaps.
- 7.2. All ORC classes scored per the ORC rule.

8. RISK STATEMENT

- 8.1. RRS 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.

9. INSURANCE:

- 9.1. Each participating boat shall hold insurance, including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representatives sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Awards will be handed out at the post race party to be held at the Shennecossett Yacht Club starting no later than 16:30. Burgers, Hotdogs, sides, and soft drinks will be provided. Alcohol is BYOB due to club insurance restrictions.
- 10.2. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each class. The Bruce Lockwood Cup will be awarded for the Best Overall PHRF Corrected Time for the Spinnaker Class

11. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 11.1. Dockage: Please email office@syc-ct.com or call the office at (860) 445-9854. Launch monitors VHF channel 68A. Dockage and/or moorings are limited so reserve ASAP.