



2004 Offshore 160 Singlehanded Challenge

Friday, July 16, 2004 - Sunday, July 18, 2004

Co-Sponsored by Goat Island Yacht Club, Ltd. and Newport Yacht Club
Newport, Rhode Island

ADDENDUM TO THE NOTICE OF RACE

The following items are required equipment based on ORC Regulations for Category 3 offshore events, and must be carried during the OFFSHORE 160. Items listed here should be assembled and/or stowed in their proper place on board your vessel.

Entrants should be prepared to show any and all required equipment to race committee officials and/or demonstrate procedures for proper use should a random spot safety check of any vessel(s) be mandated by the Race Committee - either prior to or at any point after the race.

Please do not ask the Race Committee or Event Organizers to take it on faith that any incomplete or unchecked items will be aboard prior to the start. It is your responsibility to provide documentation that all required items are on board the vessel. Your signature attests to compliance at the time the list is signed, dated, and turned over to the Race Organizers.

The completed checklist must be submitted to the Event Organizers by no later than 0800 hours on Friday, July 16, 2004 at the Skippers' Meeting. Attendance at the Skippers' Meeting is mandatory for all participants, and will be held at the Newport Yacht Club.

REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- 1)___ Each yacht must have a system for self-steering.
- 2)___ Each yacht must carry a VHF marine radiotelephone. Channels 16 and 73 - required for race communication - must be operational.
- 3)___ Carrying a self-inflating liferaft is strongly recommended but not required. In lieu of a liferaft, a Type One USCG approved life jacket fitted with reflective tape, an attached personal overboard light, and a whistle is required to be on board. (NOTE: The survival gear for the life raft should include an "abandon ship kit" with water, food, knife, flares, etc.)
- 4)___ Each yacht must have jack wires, running from near the cockpit to the foredeck, so that the skipper can move from the stern to the forestay without disconnecting a safety harness.
- 5)___ A safety harness must be worn and attached to the yacht from the time the yacht leaves the dock or mooring before the start, until it is secured after finishing, except when the skipper is belowdecks.
- 6)___ Visual distress signals must include two orange smoke signals and six red meteor or parachute flares. Three white flares or a powerful flashlight or spotlight independent of the yacht's electrical system must also be carried.
- 7)___ The yacht must have a system for re-boarding, such as looped lines or a ladder, in place at all times.

- 8)___ A radar reflector must be in place at least six feet above decks at all times.
- 9)___ Proper sail numbers must be displayed on the mainsail, spinnakers, and all headsails larger than a working jib. In the event of duplicate sail numbers, the later entry will be required to change.
- 10)___ Yachts must fly International Code Flag "SIERRA" from the backstay (or similar position) to indicate that they are participants in the event.
- 11)___ Each yacht shall carry suitable anchor(s) and cable(s) and adequate rode all ready for immediate use.
- 12)___ Each yacht shall carry soft-wood plugs of suitable size for emergency closure of through-hull fittings.
- 13)___ There shall be companionway blocking arrangements (washboards, hatchboards, etc.) capable of being secured in position with the hatch open or shut and secured to the yacht to prevent their being lost overboard.
- 14)___ At least one USCG approved life jacket is required.
- 15)___ Each yacht shall have an effective method of reefing the mainsail and a headsail suitable use in heavy weather.
- 16)___ Each yacht should have aboard suitable charts, navigational equipment, compass, and a copy of all sailing instructions.
- 17)___ Each yacht is required to have working navigational lights.
- 18)___ Each yacht shall carry two (2) waterproof flashlights.
- 19)___ Each yacht shall have a manual bilge pump.

Entrant's Signature

Entrant's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Yacht's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Date of Compliance