



2009 New England SOLO/TWIN

Organizing Clubs:

NEWPORT YACHT CLUB • GOAT ISLAND YACHT CLUB, LTD
110 LONG WHARF, NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND 02840
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NOTICE OF RACE

July 23 – July 25, 2009

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The New England SOLO/TWIN Championships are separate races starting in Newport, RI on Friday, July 24, and organized by the Newport Yacht Club and Goat Island Yacht Club, Ltd. The divisions will consist of the following:

- Single-handed Monohull Spinnaker • Single-handed Monohull Cruising Canvas
- Double-handed Monohull Spinnaker • Double-handed Monohull Cruising Canvas • Double-handed Multihull

The intent of these races is to encourage competition in the tradition of shorthanded sailing and passage making. While recognizing the inherent danger in the sport, this event is organized to promote and to help develop techniques and equipment, which will foster safe and seamanlike shorthanded sailing. Because the completion of each race is a singular accomplishment, all who finish will be considered winners of the event.

2. RULES

2.1 The New England SOLO/TWIN Championships will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2012; the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association (*US Sailing*); the International Rules of the Road (refer to USCG booklet 1690); Inland or International (as appropriate) Regulations (COLREGS) for preventing collisions at sea; the Announcement of Race; this Notice of Race; the Sailing Instructions; and amendments or addendums to any of the aforementioned.

2.2 A yacht's auxiliary engine may only be used in emergencies or, with the gears disengaged, to charge batteries. Whenever the engine is used, the time and reason for use must be logged.

3. ADVERTISING

The New England SOLO/TWIN Championship is classified as a Category A event, in accordance with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) Regulation 20, ADVERTISING CODE.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The New England SOLO/TWIN Championships are open to offshore sailing yachts at least 24 feet and no more than 60 feet LOA. Classes within the divisions will be established following close of entries and are determined by handicap ratings. Class scratch sheets will be provided at the Skippers' Meeting at 0900 hours on Friday, July 24. ATTENDANCE AT THE SKIPPER'S MEETING IS MANDATORY FOR ALL RACE ENTRANTS.

4.2 Rating Certificates

4.2.1. Monohull entries must have a valid 2009 rating certificate from Performance Handicap Rated Fleet-Narragansett Bay (PHRF-NB). Entries in the Monohull Cruising Canvas divisions will use PHRF-NB Non-Spinnaker ratings. PHRF-NB ratings applications may be obtained from Pat Beausoleil at PHRF-NB, PO Box 356, Washington, NC 27889 (401) 253-0207 weekdays, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm. A copy of the rating certificate must be submitted to SOLO/TWIN Event Organizers by the close of entries Monday, July 21. Rating applications, with required fee, should be submitted to PHRF-NB by Friday, June 15 to ensure return by entry deadline. No PHRF-NB application will be processed without payment of processing fee.

4.2.2. Multihull entries must have a valid 2009 handicap rating from the New England Multihull Association (NEMA). A copy of the rating certificate must be submitted to the SOLO/TWIN Event Organizers by the close of entries Tuesday July 21.

4.2.3. **NOTE: Participants must conform to all conditions and terms of the rating certificates submitted with their entry. Violation of those conditions may result in a penalty, including disqualification.**

4.4 Previous SOLO/TWIN participants are automatically qualified, as are participants in longer shorthanded races, such as the Bermuda One-Two.

4.5 New entrants in the SOLO/TWIN must provide the event organizers with a written statement of sailing experience, including evidence of at least one non-stop single-handed (SOLO) or double-handed (TWIN) passage of 25 miles or more. If the 25-mile passage is to be made in the year of the race, it must be completed by no later than Monday, July 14. Statement(s) of experience for all entrants must be included with entry form.

4.6 The elder skipper shall not be less than 21 years old and the younger of a twin entry shall not be less than 16 years old.

4.7 The event organizers reserve the right to reject entries for any reason that it deems sufficient. In the event that any entrant has made false statements, entry will be refused and the entry fee will be forfeit.

5. SCHEDULE

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| July 14 — 2400 | Deadline for completing qualifying passage(s) |
| July 22 — 2400 | Close of entries |
| July 23 — 1600-2000 | Check-in by representative(s) of each entering boat, Newport YC |
| July 24 — 0800 | Deadline for registering any changes in crew list |
| July 24 — 0900 | Skippers' Meeting, Newport Yacht Club (mandatory attendance) |
| July 24 — 1150 | Warning signal for the first class start |
| July 25 — 1700 | Awards Reception, Newport YC (approximate time) |

6. FEES

6.1 \$45.00 – Single-handed Entry; \$65.00 – Double-handed Entry.

6.2 Once an entry is accepted, the entry fee is non-refundable. Unique situations causing withdrawal may be considered for refunds by the event organizers.

7. MANDATORY CHECK-IN

A representative from each boat entered must check in with the race organizers on Thursday, July 23 between 1600 and 2000 hours. Regatta representatives will be on duty at the Newport Yacht Club; they will monitor VHF Channel #72 and the NYC telephone at (401) 846-9410 choose 6. At check-in, any outstanding fees and/or paperwork are due, including a copy of the yacht's PHRF-NB or NEMA rating certificate and the Required Safety Equipment check list, properly completed and signed by the entrant(s), attesting that all the required equipment is on board and ready for use. Failure to complete registration could result in disqualification of the entrant. **NOTE:** *Any changes in the crew list will require updated personal information and signature on the waiver. Changes in the crew list will be accepted no later than, 0800 on Friday, July 24, prior to the start of the Skippers' Meeting.*

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions are supplied to entrants upon checking in on Thursday, July 23 between 1600 and 2000 hours at Event Headquarters at the Newport Yacht Club.

9. RACE COURSE

The courses will consist of ocean triangles of 65-125 miles in length, which will begin and end in Narragansett Bay, and which will vary for the Monohulls, Multihulls and Cruising Canvas divisions. There will be provisions for shorter courses, which will be included within the Sailing Instructions.

10. SAIL LIMITATIONS

10.1 A yacht sailing in a Cruising Canvas class may use only one headsail at a time, except briefly during a headsail change. Any headsail in use must be affixed to the headstay for the entire length of its luff. A yacht may, however, also use a single working forestaysail, provided that sail is a part of that yacht's normal rated sail configuration.

11. TIME ALLOWANCES/SCORING

Ratings will be applied Time-On-Time to determine finish positions. There will be no time limit set for the completion of these races.

12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

The race committee will monitor VHF Channel 72. All competitors will attempt to make radio contact with other participants and/or the race committee during the race at appointed times, as described within the sailing instructions.

13. AWARDS:

Awards will be presented to yachts placing first, second and third in each class within each division.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 Responsibility: The decisions to enter, to start, and to continue racing are entirely the participants' responsibility. Every participant must recognize the risk inherent in such a venture and take full responsibility for the safety and well being of themselves, their vessels, and the other people and vessels they may encounter during the event. By electing to participate, each participant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the event organizers, the Newport and the Goat Island Yacht Clubs, their officers, and all affiliated parties from any loss or damage to his or her person or property.

14.2 Questions, proof of qualifying passage(s), entry fee, statement(s) of qualifications, and completed race entries — exclusive of requests for PHRF-NB or NEMA rating certificates — should be directed to: New England SOLO/TWIN Championships, c/o Newport Yacht Club, 110 Long Wharf, Newport, RI 02840. www.newportyachtclub.org

Roy Guay, Event Chairperson

Dick Bioty, Patrick Clayton

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SOLO ENTRY APPLICATION

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

ENTRANT'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: (D) _____

PHONE: (E) _____

CELL P: _____

EMAIL _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____

PHONE: (D) _____

PHONE: (E) _____

CELL P: _____

YACHT CLUB: _____

VESSEL DATA:

YACHT'S NAME _____

MODEL _____ RIG _____

LOA _____ LWL _____

SAIL NO. _____ PHRF RATING _____

HULL COLOR(S) _____

DECK COLOR(S) _____

CLASS (Choose One):

() MONOHULL SPINNAKER SOLO

() MONOHULL CRUISING CANVAS SOLO

For this application to be complete, you must include:

- 1) This completed and signed **APPLICATION FOR SOLO ENTRY.**
- 2) A copy of the 2009 **PHRF-NB** rating certificate for your boat.
- 3) Brief statements of your qualifications, including evidence of minimum 25-mile qualifying passage.
- 4) A check in the amount of \$45.00, made payable to the **Newport Yacht Club.**

The Race Organizers reserve the right to reject any application for any reason it deems sufficient. Applications will be considered in the order which they are received.

Please mail all materials detailed above so that they are received by **WEDNESDAY, JULY 22** to:

**New England SOLO/TWIN
c/o Newport Yacht Club
110 Long Wharf
Newport, RI 02840**

WAIVER OF LIABILITY:

I have read the Notice of Race and agree to abide by the conditions set forth therein. I agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event. I understand the inherent risk and, by electing to participate, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the organizers and their associated parties for any loss or damage to my person or property.

(signature of ENTRANT)

(date signed)

SIGNATURE IS MANDATORY

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TWIN ENTRY APPLICATION

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

SKIPPER'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: (D) _____

PHONE: (E) _____

EMAIL: _____

YACHT CLUB: _____

CO SKIPPERS'S NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: (D) _____

PHONE: (E) _____

EMAIL _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____

PHONE: (D) _____

PHONE: (E) _____

VESSEL DATA:

YACHT'S NAME _____

MODEL _____ RIG _____

LOA _____ LWL _____

SAIL NO. _____ PHRF RATING _____

HULL COLOR(S) _____

DECK COLOR(S) _____

CLASS (Choose One):

- MULTIHULL TWIN
- MONOHULL SPINNAKER TWIN
- MONOHULL CRUISING CANVAS TWIN

For this application to be complete, you must include:

- 1) This completed and signed **APPLICATION FOR TWIN ENTRY.**
- 2) A copy of the 2009 **PHRF-NB (NEMA)** for multihulls) rating certificate for your boat.
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 (signature of CO-ENTRANT)

 (signature of CO-ENTRANT)

 (date signed)

SIGNATURES ARE MANDATORY



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REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Return this completed form to the Event Organizers

The following items are required equipment based on ORC Regulations for Category 3 offshore events, and must be carried during the New England SOLO/TWIN. Items on this sheet should be assembled and 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 demonstrate procedures for proper use should a random spot safety check of any vessel be mandated by the Race Organizers — either prior to or at any point after the race. The Event Organizers will not take it on faith that any incomplete or unchecked items will be aboard prior to the start; the entrants' signatures attest to compliance to entry requirements at the time this form is signed, dated, and relinquished to the Event Organizers.

Check off each item on the following list and sign the bottom. Signatures for BOTH double-handed entrants are required; as co-skippers, both crew members are responsible for knowing what equipment is on board and its proper use. **This form, completed and signed, must be submitted to the Event Organizers by no later than 2000 hours on Thursday, the day before the start. Failure to do so will disqualify entrants from starting.**

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| <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each SOLO yacht must have a system for self-steering. Self-steering devices will be allowed on TWIN yachts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht must carry a VHF marine radiotelephone. Channels 16 and 72 required for race communication must be operational.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Carrying a self-inflating liferaft is strongly recommended but not required. Each crewmember is required to have on board a Type-One USCG-approved life jacket - fitted with reflective tape, attached personal overboard light and whistle. (NOTE: Survival gear for the life raft should include an "abandon ship kit" with water, food, knife, flares, flashlights, extra batteries, first-aid kit, etc.).</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht must have jack wires, running from near the cockpit to the foredeck, so that the crew can move from the yacht's stern to forestay without disconnecting a safety harness.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 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 crew members are belowdecks.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The yacht must have a system for re-boarding, such as looped lines or a ladder, in place at all times.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A radar reflector must be in place at least six feet above decks at all times.</p> | <p><input type="checkbox"/> 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A man-overboard pole and associated equipment are required for TWIN yachts, but are not required for SOLO yachts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> SOLO yachts must fly International Code Pennant "Numeral One" from the backstay (or similar position) to indicate that they are participants in the event. TWIN yachts must fly International Code Pennant "Numeral TWO."</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht shall carry suitable anchor(s) and cable(s) and adequate rode.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht shall carry softwood plugs of suitable size for emergency closure of through-hull fittings.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 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.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht shall have an effective method of reefing the mainsail and a headsail suitable for use in heavy weather.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht should have aboard suitable charts, navigational equipment, compass, and a copy of all sailing instructions.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht is required to have working navigational lights.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht shall carry two (2) waterproof flashlights.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Each yacht shall have a manual bilge pump.</p> |
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STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE TO SAFETY EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

The undersigned hereby acknowledge and verify that the aforementioned safety equipment is on board the vessel named below, and that said equipment is indeed on board, in position and operational, as of the date shown below.

Co-Entrant's Signature

Co-Entrant's Signature

Yacht's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Co-Entrant's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Co-Entrant's Name (PLEASE PRINT)

Date of Compliance

**Newport Yacht Club
110 Long Wharf
Newport, RI 02840**

PLEASE NOTE

In order to keep our New England Solo/Twin mailing list manageable, please inform us if you have an interest to stay on the mailing list:

1. by calling the Newport Yacht Club at 401-846-9410 and state your request OR
2. by faxing the Newport Yacht Club at 401-849-9060 OR
3. by writing a note to Roy Guay, 154 Narragansett Ave, Jamestown, R.I 02835 OR
4. by emailing Roy Guay found on the web site Offshore@NewportYachtClub.org.

All participants in the race for any of the past three years (06, 07, 08) will automatically remain on the mailing list. All other parties will be on the mailing list upon request. This is in no way intended to discourage anyone from participation in the race. It is intended to keep better control on the printing and mailing cost.