

2026 PHRF & Rhodes-19 Racing Series

NOTICE OF RACE

Edgewood Yacht Club
1 Shaw Ave
Cranston, RI 02905
www.edgewoodyachtclub.com

1. RULES

- 1.1. The Edgewood Yacht Club (EYC, also “the club”) 2026 Tuesday Night Racing Series (TNRS, also “the series”) will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028* (RRS).
- 1.2. Any changes to the RRS will appear in the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.3. For details on RRS, please refer to [Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028](#)

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The series is open to all EYC member boats that have, or are eligible for, a PHRF-NB rating (www.phrf-nb.org). For specific races and by invitation only, Edgewood Sailing School and other yacht clubs may participate in the Rhodes 19 division.
- 2.2. At the discretion of the Race Committee, an expired PHRF-NB rating will remain valid for the purpose of the series if the vessel and its equipment have not significantly changed since the rating certificate was obtained. All PHRF skippers are required to secure a valid PHRF-NB rating for the current year.
- 2.3. To be entered in the series, competitors shall complete the entry form and submit it to the Race Committee no later than June 30.
- 2.4. Late entries are required to submit an entry form prior to participating in a race.
- 2.5. Competitors **must** obtain a valid PHRF-NB Rating by June 30th to be included in the final scoring of the series, provided that Rhodes 19s racing exclusively in the R19 Division need not submit PHRF-NB Rating.
- 2.6. To start any race the entrant must be in good financial standing with the club (if a member) or must be an invited guest (R19 Division only).

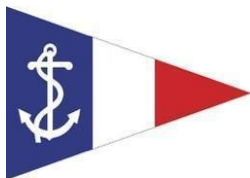
3. CLASSIFICATION

- 3.1. Classes/divisions will be formed, with class/division splits determined by the Race Committee, based upon the registered entries as of the skipper’s meeting. Late registrations will be placed in a then existing class at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 3.2. The Race Committee intends to split the PHRF entries into classes based upon their intent to sail spinnaker or non-spinnaker, their rating, and the number of yachts entered, to provide the fairest competition. The Race Committee intends to host a separate Rhodes 19 (R19) Division.

4. FEES

- 4.1. Required fees are as follows:

First-time racer’s first race:	No cost
Individual Races:	\$25 per race
Full Race Series:	\$150



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- 4.2. Late entries may have fees pro-rated at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.3. Members will be invoiced through the usual billing cycles.

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Skippers' Meeting: the first Tuesday in May at 7:30pm
- 5.2. Series Races: One race every Tuesday from 1st Tuesday in June until the third Tuesday in September.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>1st Starting Signal</u>
June - August	6:20pm
September	6:05pm

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. The SI for the series, to be published as needed, will be available on the EYC website after the skippers' meeting, but no later than June 1st.

7. VENUE

- 7.1. Edgewood Yacht Club (Organizing Authority), 1 Shaw Avenue, Cranston RI 09205
- 7.2. See Attachment 2: *EYC PHRF NOR Racing Chart* for location of Edgewood yacht club and the racing area.

8. THE COURSES

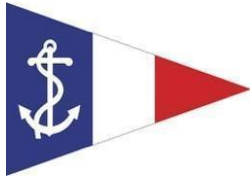
- 8.1. The courses will consist of a series of legs using government buoys and/or inflatable tetrahedrons marked "EYC", in each case south of GC "41" (Fields Point) and north of G"15"/R"16" (Conimicut Point).
- 8.2. The course shall be posted on the committee boat prior to the starting sequence.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3, will not apply.
- 9.2. For all classes, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 9.3. Additional changes to the penalty system will be outlined in the SI.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. The low point system of RRS Appendix A will be used with the following provisions.
- 10.2. To be included in the final scoring for the series a boat must arrive at the starting area, under sail, with the intent to start for a minimum of 10 races, not including practice races. This modifies rule A2.2



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- 10.3. For every 5 races in the series one worst score from the full series will be excluded from a boat's final score. This modifies rule A2.1
- 10.4. Time on Time methodology will be used to determine corrected time. The race order of finish will be determined according to the Corrected Time for each boat:
 - 10.4.1. Corrected time = Elapsed Time x Time Correction Factor
 - 10.4.2. Time Correction Factor (TCF) = $A / (B + \text{PHRF NB Rating})$
 - 10.4.3. $A = 700$ (or roughly equal to $550 + \text{fleet's average PHRF NB Rating}$)
 - 10.4.4. $B = 550$ as default, 600 if <5 kts wind at start, 480 if >15 kts at start

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 11.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.
- 11.2. The Race Committee boat will monitor and broadcast via VHF radio **channel 73** for general announcements, including announcing the course, individual recall, or general recall.
- 11.3. Prior to the warning signal all competitors must "check in" with the Race Committee via channel 73, providing name of vessel, TNRS class (Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker), and number of persons aboard.
- 11.4. Failure of a competitor to monitor channel 73 and missing an announcement shall not be cause for redress.
- 11.5. Race Committee will not be required to respond to radio transmissions 2 minutes before and during start sequences.

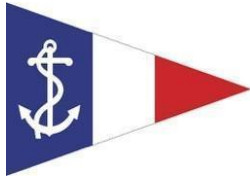
12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be awarded to the first-, second- and third-place leaders of each class/division upon completion of the full series.
- 12.2. At the discretion of the Race Committee, if there is significant growth of fleet late in season, a subset of prizes may be awarded to top finishers of the "September Series," based upon races completed in September.
- 12.3. All prizes will be presented at the annual EYC awards banquet.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 13.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14. INSURANCE



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14.1. All competitors are required to have insurance coverage that meets the minimum requirements in the current EYC Boat Contract.

15. SAFETY

15.1. Safety of competitors and crew shall be of primary concern. As noted above, boats shall report to the Race Committee the number of persons on board (POB) prior to each race.

15.2. The TNRS races take place in and around the main channel. Competitors are reminded that ships in the channel are considered to be Vessels Constrained by Draft under Navigation Rules in the Collision Avoidance Regulations (COLREGS), which state: *“Boats less than 20 meters (65 feet) long, or a sailboat, shall not impede a boat that is constrained by draft, i.e. a large ship that must operate within the channel in order to make way safely. When crossing a channel, do so at a right angle and in such a way as to avoid causing the traffic in the channel to make course or speed changes.”*

1.1.1. Boats shall cross the channel as rapidly as possible.

1.1.2. Boats interfering with vessels in the channel shall be disqualified (DSQ) from that race. A second offense may cause a boat to be disqualified for the series.

1.1.3. The Race Committee shall attempt to monitor channels 13 and 16 and inform the fleet on channel 73 of ships leaving or entering

1.1.4. A boat receiving five blasts from a commercial vessel will be considered in violation of 1.1.2 and will be disqualified.

2. FURTHER INFORMATION

2.1. For further information please contact Race Committee at racecommittee@edgewoodyachtclub.com