



2025 GLOBAL TEAM RACE REGATTA

October 1-4, 2025

PROVISIONAL NOTICE OF RACE

Newport Harbor Yacht Club

GENERAL

The 2025 Global Team Race Regatta is a 2v2 team race in supplied boats.

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

RULES

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including Appendix D.
- 1.2. The rules for the handling of boats and the equipment list described in the sailing instructions, will apply.
- 1.3. Class rules will not apply.
- 1.4. RRS 40.1 shall apply while afloat or on a pontoon. *Competitors* should bring their own PFD's.
- 1.5. The right of appeal will be denied in accordance with RRS 70.5(a).
- 1.6. RRS D2, Umpired Races, will apply.
- 1.7. Major changes to the RRS:
 - a. RRS 17 is deleted. Permission has been granted by World Sailing.
 - b. Additional changes to the RRS will appear in the sailing instructions.
- 1.8. US Sailing is the national authority of the venue. The US Sailing Prescriptions can be found at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.9. All competitors are considered 'Users' of Newport Harbor Yacht Club and therefore are subject to their house rules. The house rules can be found at www.nhyc.org.
- 1.10. The term Skipper, as used herein, is defined as the person who is designated on the entry form for the purpose of RRS 46 and is the person in charge as it relates to the Racing Rules of Sailing, or any matters related to the Global Team Race Regatta. The Skipper is responsible for the boat, its handling and safety, the conduct of its crew before, during, and after the race, and compliance with the rules.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The sailing instructions will be available no later than September 23, 2025.
- 2.2. Questions regarding the notice of race or sailing instructions, may be submitted in writing to the OA Sailing Office via email: www.jess.gerry@nhycstaff.org by September 1, 2025. Questions and responses from the race committee will be posted to the official notice board.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located outside the race office and online at www.nhyc.org.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio or by verbal hail. *Note: OA will provide VHF radios as part of the supplied equipment.*
- 3.3. [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats
- 3.4. [DP] Attendance at the initial competitors' briefing scheduled for 1 October 2025 in the clubhouse is mandatory for the skippers from each team. All team members are encouraged to attend.
- 3.5. The Race Committee will use a Telegram group to facilitate communication during the event. A link to join the group will be emailed to competitors closer to the time of the event. The app is available for both apple and android devices. <https://telegram.org/>

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. Only teams invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 4.2. Eligible teams may apply by completing the online entry form no later than June 1, 2025.
- 4.3. For a team to remain eligible, they shall submit a crew list which will include contact information for each team member no later than September 1, 2025. A digital form will be sent to each team closer to the event.
- 4.4. For a team to remain eligible, each team member will be required to complete the OA Sailing Agreement. A digital version of the agreement will be sent to each team closer to the event

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$3,000US per team. The entry fee includes lunch on race days, and all social events listed in the additional event information attachment.
- 5.2. If a team withdraws from the event prior to August 1, 2025, their entry fee will be refunded less a \$1,000US administrative fee. After this date, all entry fees are non-refundable.
- 5.3. DAMAGE DEPOSIT: An initial damage deposit of \$2,000 per boat shall be paid via credit card before the first race. This deposit is the maximum payable by a boat as a result of any one incident. In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is required by the OA, it may further require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the boat will be permitted to continue in the event

6. CREW LIMITATIONS & TEAM COMPOSITION

- 6.1. A boat shall have a crew of two people.
- 6.2. A team shall consist of two (2) boats. The total number of males or females per team shall not exceed two (2).
- 6.3. Each skipper shall be a member of their Member National Authority by the first day of the event.
- 6.4. Crew substitutions will not be allowed after the first race, except in an emergency as approved by the OA.

7. ADVERTISING

A boat and her crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

8. FORMAT

- 8.1. The OA intends to provide 12 Harbor 20 type boats for racing in the event. Each boat will have the following sails: Mainsail, Jib.
- 8.2. While all reasonable steps are taken to equalize the boats, variations will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 8.3. The sailing instructions will describe the racing format and include the race pairings. The racing format will be based on the number of teams entered and may include a round robin, split fleet round robins, and a knockout series.

9. PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE:

	Wednesday October 1, 2025	Thursday October 2, 2025	Friday October 3, 2025	Saturday October 4, 2025
Optional Practice	1100-1500	---	---	---
Competitors' Briefing	1830*	0900	0900	0900
First warning signal	---	1000	1000	1000
No warning signal after	---	---	---	1630
Awards presentation	---	---	---	1830*

10. VENUE

Racing will take place in Newport Harbor north of the Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

11. COURSES

Course diagrams will be provided in the sailing instructions. There will be a downwind finish.

12. SCORING

In accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the sailing instructions.

13. DATA PROTECTION & RIGHT TO USE LIKENESS

- 13.1. The personal information you provide to the organizing authority will be used to facilitate your participation in the event. If you have agreed to be bound by the Racing Rules of Sailing and the other rules that govern the event (the rules), the legal basis for processing that personal information is contract. If you are not bound by the rules, the legal basis for processing that personal information is legitimate interest. Your personal information will be stored and used in accordance with the organizing authority's privacy policy. When required by the rules, personal information may be shared with US Sailing, your national authority and/or World Sailing. The results of the event and the outcome of any hearing or appeal may be published.
- 13.2. By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA unconditional, perpetual right and authority to publish and broadcast anywhere in the world, for any purpose and in any media, photographs, video footage, and audio recordings taken of them prior to, during, and after the event without compensation.

14. PRIZES

Prizes for the top three finishing teams will be awarded at the regatta dinner and awards ceremony on October 4, 2025, in the clubhouse.

15. CODE OF CONDUCT

- 15.1. Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions and shall not behave so as to bring the event or the sport into disrepute.
- 15.2. Participation in this event is by invitation. Any team who, in the opinion of the OA, has demonstrated poor seamanship, poor sportsmanship, or misconduct may have their invitation revoked and be excused from the event. In addition, and separate from the decision of the OA, the protest committee may initiate proceedings under RRS 69.

16. RISK STATEMENT

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore inherently involves an element of risk.

By taking part in the event, each skipper agrees and acknowledges that:

- a. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event. It is their responsibility to ensure that they are familiar with the type of boat used, and the supplied equipment and are suitably experienced with its operation.
- b. They are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat, and their other property whether afloat or ashore. It is their responsibility for ensuring all supplied equipment is carried on board.
- c. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions. That they are fit to sail and that they believe the crew and the boat and crew is capable of competing in the anticipated conditions.
- d. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.
- e. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats and other officials and volunteers by the event organiser does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

- f. The provision of patrol boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.
- g. It is their responsibility to familiarise themselves with any risks specific to this venue or this event drawn to their attention in any rules and information produced for the venue or event and to attend any safety briefing held for the event

17. INFORMATION

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