



2026 SEADOG / VAN NEWBERRY TROPHY RACE

Saturday, October 3, 2026
Edgewater Yacht Club, Cleveland OH 44102

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1 Edgewater Yacht Club is the Organizing Authority (OA).
- 1.2 The race is governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) for 2025-2028, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association (USSA), the rules of the participating classes, except as any of these are changed by this NoR or the Sailing Instructions (SIs).
- 1.3 South Shore Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF-SS) rules, available at <https://phrfss.org/>, apply but PHRF LE Handicap will be accepted.
- 1.4 Boats competing with a PHRF-SS One Design Class rating shall comply with their class rules unless otherwise noted.
- 1.5 [NP] South Shore Performance Handicap Racing Fleet class rule 16 does not apply
- 1.6 [NP] Tartan 10 class rule 5 does not apply.
- 1.7 [NP] J/105 class rule 7.1 does not apply.
- 1.8 The following US Sailing prescriptions do not apply: the prescriptions to RRS Preamble to Section B of Part 5 and RRS 63.1.

2. Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 SI's will be available on the Club Spot Event Site, at the following Link:
<https://edgewateryachtclub.com/regatta/a31G9NMlfU/#notice-board>

3. Communication

- 3.1 The official notice board is on the Club Spot Event Site, at the following Link:
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- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US Marine Frequencies.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.
- 3.5 At the time of registration, a representative of each boat shall provide a mobile telephone number capable of transmitting and receiving telephone calls and text messages while at the venue. In addition, the OA, race committee, protest committee and technical committee may use email or text messages to communicate with competitors before the event and while boats are in the harbor.

4. Eligibility & Entry

- 4.1 The race is open to any keel boat with a valid PHRF certificate whose owner/skipper is a member of a recognized class organization, an Inter-Lake Yachting Association club, or a member of US Sailing.

- 4.2 A boat without a valid PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Seadog-Van Newberry Trophy Race Committee at its sole discretion. Assigned ratings shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 61.4(b)(1).
- 4.3 Per the Seadog Deed of Gift, all entrants who compete for the “Seadog Trophy” must be a current member of one of the Edgewater Yacht Club Cruising Fleets (PHRF, JAM, T-10, J105) and hold a valid PHRF certificate. The fleet member must be on the boat for the race and the participant’s boat must be PHRF Legal.
- 4.4 Boats properly registered, but not meeting the eligibility requirements for the “Seadog Trophy” will be scored for the “Van Newberry Trophy”
- 4.5 The Seadog-Van Newberry Trophy Race Committee, shall determine eligibility and placement in fleet, class, and division. These decisions shall be at the sole discretion of the RC and shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a) and 61.4(b)(1).
- 4.6 Required fee for the Seadog-Van Newberry Trophy race is \$25.00 and must be paid in full prior to the close of registration
- 4.7 Registration must be completed on the Event Site no later than 17:00, Friday October 2, 2026. There is no late registration. Link:
<https://edgewateryachtclub.com/register/regatta/a31G9NMlfU/class>

5. Venue, Course and Schedule

- 5.1 The race will take place on the open waters of Lake Erie, north of Edgewater Yacht Club.
- 5.2 “The Seadog / Van Newberry Race” shall be a single race. Course to be sailed, and the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the Event Site and available at the Competitors’ Meeting.
- 5.3 Schedule:
 - 09:45 Skippers Meeting on the patio at the Clubhouse
 - 10:55 Warning Signal
 - 11:00 Start (All boats)After the race awards will be announced on the patio at the Clubhouse.

6. Scoring and Prizes

- 6.1 Seadog prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place, PHRF and JAM.
- 6.2 Van Newberry prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place, PHRF and JAM.

7. Parking and Guest Dockage

- 7.1 Edgewater Yacht Club is a small footprint urban yacht club. Parking is at a premium. Non-member cars are not allowed inside the yacht club parking lot to park. Competitors may park in designated areas less than 100 yards away in the adjacent Metropolitan Park.
- 7.2 Limited complimentary dockage shall be available for the regatta participants. Please make prior arrangements through the EYC Gas dock by calling (216) 281-1518 at least a day in advance.

8. Risk Statement

- 8.1 RRS 3 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 be insured with valid third-party marine liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

10. Additional Information

- 10.1 For Further information please visit the Club Spot Event Site
<https://edgewater yachtclub.com/regatta/a31G9NMlfU> or contact:

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