



**James R. Hodder Regatta
Boston Yacht Club (OA)
August 30, 2026
Marblehead, MA
Notice of Race (NoR)
Posted 3/24/26**



1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 When rule 20 applies, a boat may indicate her need for room to tack or her response by hail, hand signals or VHF radio.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available at the same time as this NoR at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/UXPQu7KfVH>

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/UXPQu7KfVH/#notice-board>
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on 72 and 16.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] 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.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with a valid PHRFNE Certificate.
- 4.2 Boats may enter the event by registering online at:

Register for a 2026 Season Pass:

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/JgdEYdiYqk>

or, Register only for the James R. Hodder Regatta

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/UXPQu7KfVH>

- 4.3 Boats entering do not need to complete a separate online registration for the event if they indicate their intent to race this event when they purchase the Season Pass.

- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry into the BYC Hodder Regatta is \$75, less a discount of \$10 for current US Sailing and \$10 for MBSA members.

6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Number of races: It is the intent of the Race Committee to run one race.
- 6.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1230 hours.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The racing area will be in the vicinity of Tinkers Rock Gong GR 'TR', MBSA List A, Mark D, unless the Race Committee Signal Boat displays Code Flag L and proceeds elsewhere.
- 7.2 The courses will be either MBSA Standard Courses or from MBSA List of Marks A, B, or C.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 8.1 RRS Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply. Submit requests for alternative penalties, to BYCRace@bostonyc.org.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 A boat's score will be the total of her race scores for all races sailed in the series.
- 9.3 No score will be excluded, changing RRS A2.1.
- 9.4 Corrected times will be calculated using PHRF Time-on-Time scoring.

10 RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 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.

11 INSURANCE

- 11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

12 PRIZES

- 12.1 Prizes will be given as follows: The James R. Hodder Trophy will be awarded for first place in Class A.
12.2 Prizes will be presented in each class for first and second places for the regatta.
12.3 Third place prizes will be presented in each class with five or more entries.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

- 13.1 For further information please contact BYCRace@bostonyc.org.
13.2 Clean Regattas: Competitors are encouraged to review the BYC policy statement re operating a Clean Regatta. This statement can be found at <https://www.bostonyc.org/racing>.