

Organizing Authority -- The Boston Yacht Club – Marblehead, Massachusetts



**Notice of Race and
Event Sailing Instructions
Chowder Challenge/MARE Benefit
Regatta
September 6, 2010**

1 Front Street,
PO Box 487
Marblehead, MA.
01945.
781-631-3100

Proceeds benefit Massachusetts Adoption Resource Agency

This race is a qualifier for the Mass Bay Sailing Association Pursuit Race Championship.

1 Event: The Regatta will be a pursuit type race in which the slower boats start before the faster boats with each boat starting at an assigned time, depending of their PHRF handicap rating.

There will be two Divisions, Spinnaker and Non Spinnaker.

For boats with valid PHRF ratings the race is a qualifier for the Mass Bay Sailing Association Pursuit Race Championship.

2 Entry: Entries must be submitted by 1700 hrs Friday, September 3rd to the Boston Yacht Club by mail (see address above) or Email at raceregistration@bostonyachtclub.net. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee. Entry forms are available at the BYC front desk or downloaded from the BYC website: <http://www.bostonyachtclub.net/Racing>.

Boats without a valid PHRF-NE handicap rating must indicate if racing in the spinnaker or non spinnaker division and provide information on boat design and type, largest headsail (in percentage of "J"), if an inboard, type of propeller (fixed, folding or feathering) and, if in the Spinnaker Division, the largest spinnaker (in percent of "J").

2.1 Entry Fee: The entry fee for all boats is a minimum contribution fee of \$50. Contributions by check should be made to "M.A.R.E." (Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange: Tax-exempt number 042-227-431).

3 Rules: These races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), except as changed by these Event Sailing Instructions (ESI). This event will be ISAF OSR Category 5; see OSR Appendix J.

Children under 12 years of age must wear PFD's at all times. All people on board must wear PFD's at the start and finish and at other times as determined by the Skipper.

4 Schedule: There will be one race. The first Warning Signal will be not be made before 1155 hrs.

5 Skippers' Meeting and Sailing Instructions: The Skippers' meeting will be held in the Main Lounge of the Boston Yacht Club. It will start at 0900 hrs. Sailing Instructions and other information will be distributed at the Skippers' meeting. Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be announced on VHF 72 prior to the Warning Signal.

6 Racing Area: The starting area will be in the vicinity of Tinkers Rock Gong Buoy, Mark D, List A of the Mass Bay Year Book.

7 Course and Marks: The course length will be either 6 or 9 miles. Course details and Mark information will be provided at the Skippers' Meeting.

8 Starting Times: Will be provided at the Skippers Meeting.

9 Time Limit: The time limit will be 1500 hrs.

10 Scoring: Boats will be scored in finishing order in their respective divisions.

11 Trophies: Trophies will be presented for the first through third places in each division. Presentations will be made at the Boston Yacht Club during the after race party.

12 Social Activities: The BYC Gazebo, Yardarm and Main lounge will be open after the race, offering BYC hospitality to all skippers, crew and their guests. Complimentary chowder and hot dogs will be served to all skippers and their crew.