



Greater Boston Rumble Series

Constitution Yacht Club | Cottage Park Yacht Club | Hingham Bay Racing

Rumble II
July 10, 2024

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Greater Boston Rumble Series (GBRS) will be governed by the Mass Bay Sailing Association (MBSA) General Sailing Instructions (GSI), except as amended by these Event Sailing Instructions (ESI).

The Organizing Authority (OA) of Rumble II is CPYC/BHHR

Eligibility: Open to Boston Harbor Handicap Racing / Cottage Park Yacht Club, Constitution Yacht Club, Hingham Bay Racing, and all registered 2024 MBSA members with a valid 2024 ORR-ez certificate.

Entry: **All yachts are required to register online for the Rumble events at www.regattaman.com**, registration shall close at 1500 hrs. on the day of the race. Unregistered yachts shall not be scored.

Check-in: Registered yachts must check-in online, or verbally with the Race Committee (RC) boat, prior to the First Warning Signal. At check-in, skippers must declare to the RC their yacht name and their intention to sail under their Racing Rating (Spinnaker) or Cruising Rating (Jib & Main)¹. This declaration cannot be altered after the First Warning Signal.

Fee: GBRS entry fee is included with your home fleet's twilight series fees.

Notice to Competitors: Notices will be posted online at www.regattaman.com

Signals Made Ashore: VHF channel 72. Please monitor your VHF as courses will be announced over the radio as well as posted on the RC boat.

Schedule of Races: GBRS - Rumble II will consist of one race.

Warning Signal: The First Warning Signal will be at 1830.

Racing Area: GBRS - Rumble II will be held in the vicinity of Yellow Nun "E", 1 + miles west of Deer Island Light

Classes: Classes will be assigned based on the 2024 MBSA "Spin" Class Splits. A yacht wishing to compete in any class other than its assigned class should reach out directly to the OA

¹ Per MBSA guidance, yachts shall be allowed to compete in their "Spin" MBSA Class under their cruising rating (jib & main) when declared "Cruising" to the RC at check-in, prior to the first warning signal.

by email at windjammer@cpyc.org at least 24 hours prior to the First Warning Signal.² Class assignments are indicated on the scratch sheet. Each yacht shall display their class flag from their backstay or stern railing for each race.

Course: GBRS - Rumble II will use marks from the Cottage Park Yacht Club Wednesday Night Racing revised 2023 attached to these SI's.

RC may designate each class with its own course. Multiple classes may sail the same course.

All class courses will be posted on the RC boat prior to the First Warning Signal.

The Start: Class starts may be combined at the discretion of the RC based on yachts participating.

Starts will be in accordance with RRS 26 and in 'reverse' order (i.e., the slowest class will start first and fastest will start last).

RC will be using rolling starts – The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be the starting signal for the subsequent class:

The below times serve as examples and may be altered by the RC based on conditions, number of participants and multiple class starts being combined.

Class D and G Warning	1830
Class F Warning	1835
Class C Warning	1840
Class B Warning	1845
Class A Warning	1850

Recalls: The RC will use VHF channel 72 to hail yachts.

Time Limits: The time limit for each class shall be two hours from class starting signal. The finishing window will be 30 minutes after the first yacht finishes in each class.

Penalty System: RRS 44.1 is amended herein as follows “A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while *racing*.” Otherwise, the turning penalty rule shall be used as per RRS 44.2

Protests: Written protest must be filed on the appropriate US Sailing Protest Form (<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/US-Sailing-2017-2020-Protest-Form.pdf>) by 1830 on the day following the race by emailing to the OA:

www.regattacommittee@cpyc.org

RRS Appendix T – Arbitration is in effect for this event. At a minimum the arbitrator will consist of a three-person panel with a representative each from Cottage Park Yacht Club, Constitution Yacht Club and Hingham Bay Racing.

² Please note, competing out of the designated MBSA class splits may alter a yacht's eligibility for any award(s) issued by MBSA for the GBRS results.

Scoring: The regatta will be scored under ORR-ez Random Leg Medium rating, as adjusted at the discretion of the RC. The wind rating selection shall not be protested.

For the first time in 2024, MBSA will use the combined results of the 3 Greater Boston Rumble Series races as a MBSA Season Championship “Qualifier”. Championship "Q" Points are to be awarded using the MBSA Season Scoring System based on the Rumble series' Overall results. **The 3 Race Rumble Series will be scored using the Low Point System as described in Appendix A of the US Sailing Racing Rules.** Series results will be calculated by summing the points (e.g., 1 point for first, 2 **points** for second, etc.) earned in each of the three races. Tie breakers will be based on the most 1st place finishes and if the tie still exists, most 2nd place finishes, etc. There will be no throw out races for the Overall series Results. Please visit [Massbaysailing.org](https://massbaysailing.org) for more information.

Please refer to your home fleet’s Twilight Series for individual fleet scoring information.

Prizes: For the first time in 2024, MBSA has included the GBRS as a season championship “Qualifying” event. The overall GBRS winners will be announced at the MBSA Awards Dinner. Please visit [Massbaysailing.org](https://massbaysailing.org) for more information.