



[Orcas Island Yacht Club](#) is pleased to invite you to our annual Eastsound Spring Regatta on Saturday & Sunday, April 12th-13th, 2025.

Rules

The regatta will be governed by [The Racing Rules of Sailing \(RRS\)](#), the [prescriptions of the U.S. Sailing Association](#), and the [U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements](#) for “Nearshore”, except as changed by this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions. All boats must have a valid 2025 PHRF certificate or be listed on the current PHRF-NW roster.

RRS Appendix T and Rule V1 in Appendix V will apply.

Fleets

We are planning on a PHRF, J/70, and Martin 242 Class

Courses

Buoy racing and long-distance races will be held on East Sound. Temporary race marks will be used, though the race committee may also use islands, rocks, navigational buoys, or other objects for long-distance courses. A course sheet will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. The race location may be moved to another location in the vicinity if conditions require.

Schedule

- **FRIDAY NIGHT:** A welcome event (and possible practice sail) will be held at the docks 5:30 PM. Bring your own beverages and snacks and enjoy the company.
- **SATURDAY Race Day:** A mandatory competitor’s meeting will be held at 9 AM at the top of the main dock at Rosario Resort or an alternative location published on the event site: [ESSR Event Page](#). The first warning signal is scheduled for 10:30AM.

- **SATURDAY NIGHT:** Join the party on the lower lawn tent for food, drinks, and music starting at 6 PM
- **SUNDAY Race Day:** First warning signal is scheduled for 10 AM. No signals will be made after 3 PM. An awards ceremony will be held immediately after racing at the top of the main dock or in a different location specified on the event website.

Entry fee

The entry fee is \$80 and includes two days of racing and one ticket for Saturday's BBQ/party, including one meal. Please buy tickets for each crew member separately for USD \$30 per meal. A keg will be provided for racers 21+.

Moorage

Moorage is available at Rosario Resort Marina for \$2 a foot special rate for the event. **Please reserve your dock space early.** Call 360.472.4866 and mention you're with Eastsound Spring Regatta to get the reduced rate.

Accommodations

The hotel is not taking reservations at this time. Should you need assistance with accommodation suggestions, please contact the race chair.

Safety

Boats must meet the [U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements](#) for "[Nearshore](#)," including: SER 3.8.3—each boat must have a VHF. Charts of the racing area are required to be on board.

Liability

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (Orcas Island Yacht Club, organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, sponsors, OIYC Board member, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Insurance

The owner must have third-party liability insurance for their boat, applicable for sailboat racing, having a minimum coverage of \$500,000. If the owner is not on board, the policy must be valid for a non-owner person in charge.

Clean Regatta

Our clean regatta goals are:

- **Less waste:** Reducing our reliance on landfills is one of our primary goals. We'll reject unnecessary waste, replace disposable options with eco-friendly alternatives, reuse items instead of creating new ones each year, and recycle or compost much of what would otherwise end up in a landfill.
- **No discharge:** None of us want to see rubbish floating in our oceans or washed up on our shores. Nor do we want the health of our marine ecosystems to suffer the effects of waste discharge from vessels. We have a no-discharge rule for all competitors to ensure we do not contribute to pollution in the San Juan Islands.

- **Emissions reduction:** We're exploring ways we can reduce our reliance on fossil fuels by minimizing vehicular travel and utilizing more efficient and less polluting options where possible.
- **Locally sourced:** Not only will we minimize our carbon footprint, but we'll also support our local community by prioritizing local suppliers of the products and services we need.
- **Education & engagement:** The more people on board with our sustainability goals, the better. We aim to spread the word about our sustainability efforts, educate people about how they can help, and facilitate positive environmental change from everyone involved with our events so we can all work together towards a sustainable future.

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