



NEWPORT BERMUDA RACE 2018

INSPECTION PROCEDURES

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1. Download and familiarize yourself with the Newport Bermuda Race Safety Requirements (NBRSR). Note that in 2018 there are different versions of the NBRSR applicable specifically to monohulls and multihulls.
2. Choose an inspector: A Newport Bermuda Race inspector can be a tremendous help to your race preparation. Not only is every inspector a veteran of past Newport Bermuda races, but every inspector is a volunteer who has offered his time to assist entrants in complying with the race requirements. A complete list of inspectors can be found on the Official Notice Board at <http://bermudarace.com/entry/official-notice-board/>. If you would like assistance in choosing an inspector or have a specialized boat requiring specific attention, please email Chief Inspector James Phyfe at inspections@bermudarace.com.

Inspector: _____ Tel. No./Email: _____

3. Arrange a date for the inspection: Once you are comfortable that your boat is ready to be inspected, contact your inspector to arrange for a mutually agreeable time and place for the inspection. Allow plenty of time to address any deficiencies noted in the inspection. All boats must be inspected by 1700, June 1, 2018. NOR 5.5 establishes that the penalty for failing to meet any race deadline will be voluntary withdrawal without refund, except that an entry may be restored upon payment of a late fee equal in dollars and cents equal to three times the boat's LOA for each calendar day.

Inspection Date: _____ Time: _____

4. Who should be aboard for the inspection? The Captain, Navigator or a Watch Captain must be aboard for the inspection to serve as the Vessel Representative. If the Captain, Navigator or a Watch Captain absolutely cannot be available for the inspection, the Captain may designate an agent bearing his express

authorization to represent the vessel at the inspection. The Vessel Representative must be a member of the racing crew who is familiar with the boat and the use and stowage of all gear subject to inspection.

5. Prepare your boat: To prepare your boat for the inspection, download a copy of the Inspection Checklist from www.bermudarace.com. Prior to the inspection, lay out all gear subject to inspection and expose all areas of the boat to be inspected. More guidance on preparing your vessel for the inspection can be found on the Inspection Preparation Card. Prior to the inspector's arrival, the Vessel Representative should conduct a mock inspection, checking off each item on the Inspection Checklist for compliance. If possible, it is a good idea to have another member of the crew or a friend act as the inspector for this mock inspection. If all gear is prepared as per the 2018 Inspection Preparation Card and the mock inspection is completed satisfactorily, the inspection should proceed easily and fairly quickly.

Note that the completed Vessel Inspection Checklist must remain aboard the Boat from 0800 on the day of her start until 48 hours after finishing and may be requested during re-inspection after arrival in Bermuda.

6. What to expect on inspection day: The inspector will come aboard prepared to review the Inspection Checklist with you. He or she will walk through each item on the list and check it for compliance. If you have properly prepared the boat and laid out all gear beforehand, this should take no longer than 1-2 hours. Often, an inspection is a good time to discuss the use of safety gear and tactics for handling emergency situations. The inspector will want to understand what methods of emergency steering and man overboard recovery the crew has practiced. If the inspector is not satisfied with the methods discussed, he may require the crew to demonstrate them for him/her at a later date.
7. What happened to the Deferred Inspection Checklist? The Deferred Inspection Checklist used for 2016 and before has outlived its usefulness, thanks in large part to the continued simplification of the race requirements and elimination of required onboard documentation. For 2018 the Deferred Inspection Checklist has been discontinued, hopefully simplifying the inspection and entry process even further.
8. What to do if there are deficiencies: Failure to demonstrate compliance with all aspects of the Inspection Checklist will require the inspector to return at a later date to verify compliance. In these cases, the Chief Inspector will be notified that the boat is not eligible to participate in the race until he is satisfied that any deficiencies have been corrected. Captains wishing to address deficiencies may be re-inspected up until the inspection deadline, subject to the inspector's availability.

However, because this creates a hardship both on the part of the inspector and the Captain, it is strongly recommended that any questions or potential deficiencies be addressed with the inspector prior to the inspection.

NOTE: BOATS MAY BE SUBJECT TO POST RACE INSPECTION AND FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS WILL BE GROUNDS FOR RACE COMMITTEE PROTEST. THE INTERNATIONAL JURY MAY IMPOSE PENALTIES FOR BREACHES OF NOR 6.2 INCLUDING TIME PENALTIES OR DISQUALIFICATION.



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**Deadline:
Bermuda Check-In**

ON BOARD TRAINING CERTIFICATE

2018 Newport Bermuda Race Safety Requirements 5.3 prescribes that the Captain and not less than 80% of the crew of each yacht shall, prior to the start of the race, participate in on-board training, including man overboard practice, use of AIS and AIS personal crew overboard beacons, sailing with the storm trysail, use of the life raft, lifejackets, safety harnesses, main boom preventer, communications equipment, pyrotechnics, EPIRB(s), fire prevention, firefighting and the procedures for abandoning ship, dismasting and rudder/steering loss or failure. All participating crew shall sign and date the On Board Training Certificate.

Yacht Name: _____ Sail No: _____ Captain: _____

The following members of the yacht's Newport Bermuda Race® crew have completed onboard drills for the topics listed:

- Man Overboard
- AIS / Personal Crew Overboard Beacons
- Abandoning Ship
- Dismasting
- Sailing with the Storm Trysail
- EPIRB
- Life Rafts & Lifejackets
- Rudder/Steering Loss or Failure
- Fire Prevention/Fighting
- Pyrotechnics
- Communications
- Preventer Rigging
- Digital Selective Calling Procedures
- Satellite Phone Use

<u>Crew Name</u>	<u>Signature</u>	<u>Date</u>
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