



NOTICE OF RACE

The Anything Goes Globe Race 2027

Solo. Nonstop. Around the world. Fully caffeinated.

1. Organizing Authority

The Anything Goes Yacht Club (AGYC). No clubhouse, no burgee, no dress code, and a committee boat that is actually a group chat.

2. Rules

2.1 The race follows the Colregs, the laws of physics, and whatever your mother told you about wearing a harness.

2.2 The course follows the World Sailing Speed Record Council (WSSRC) round-the-world standard, the only part of this document written by grown-ups.

2.3 Where this NOR conflicts with a Golden Globe Race rule, this NOR wins and buys the next round.

3. Eligibility

3.1 Any monohull from 21 ft to 60 ft LOA. At 20 ft 11 in you are a dinghy; at 60 ft 1 in you are a superyacht with a crew problem.

3.2 Any design, any build year, any material. Nobody will ask whether your boat was in production before 1988.

3.3 3D-printed parts, carbon foils, and hulls made of pure optimism are all welcome.

4. Start and Finish

4.1 Start anywhere you like, but finish at the exact same point. A similar-looking marina does not count.

4.2 No start point south of 45°S. Starting next to the penguins is not a strategy.

4.3 Start window: 1 September 2027 to 31 January 2028. Pick your own day and blame your own forecast.

5. Course

5.1 Cross every meridian of longitude and the Equator. The line-crossing ceremony is mandatory; King Neptune will be played by your autopilot.

5.2 You may cross some meridians twice, but not all of them. Two laps of Antarctica do not count, no matter how dizzy you got.

5.3 Your shortest orthodromic track must be at least 21,600 nm on a perfect sphere, assuming you round Antarctica at 63°S. The Earth is not a perfect sphere, but the paperwork is.

5.4 If your start point gives a track that is too short, nominate one island or fixed point to leave on a required side. Your neighbor's mooring ball will be rejected.

5.5 Antipodal points are not required. The Great Capes are optional, but skipping Cape Horn means explaining yourself at every yacht club bar for life.

5.6 Eastabout and westabout are scored separately.

Westabout entrants receive a complimentary psychiatric evaluation and a sympathy card.

6. Navigation

GPS, radar, AIS, satellite routing, AI co-pilots, or a sextant if you want to look cool on Instagram. Paper charts are permitted as placemats.

7. Communication

No restrictions. Starlink, Iridium, SSB, livestreams, and daily Reels are all welcome. Go a week without posting and your followers will report you missing.

8. Equipment

Autopilots, watermakers, freezers, electric winches, and espresso machines are all permitted. Running out of coffee before Cape Horn is grounds for protesting yourself.

9. Assistance

Nonstop and unassisted. A port call for a burger is technically allowed, but it will be announced to the whole fleet, with a photo.

10. Scoring and Prizes

10.1 Elapsed time from your own start to your own finish. Shortest time wins.

10.2 Most Data Used: a framed Starlink bill · Least Sleep Logged: a pillow · Best Bread South of 40°S: a rolling pin · Best Conversation with a Seabird: binoculars · Last Boat Home: the Committee's Eternal Patience Award.

11. Entry and Disclaimer

11.1 Entry fee: one bottle of good rum. Cheap rum will be accepted and quietly judged.

11.2 Competitors sail at their own risk. The AGYC accepts no responsibility for broken masts, broken hearts, lost followers, or anything you say to your autopilot at 0300.

Fair winds, strong signal, full coffee jar.