



Independence Cup

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U.S. Para Sailing Championship

Thursday, July 25 - Sunday, July 28, 2024

Burnham Harbor, Chicago, Illinois

Organizing Authority:

Judd Goldman Adaptive Sailing Foundation in collaboration with US Sailing

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS)
- 1.2 The following documents also govern the U.S. Para Sailing Championship:
 - 1.2.1 The US Sailing Championship Conditions: <https://tinyurl.com/ypfsveut>
 - 1.2.2 The U.S. Para Sailing Championship Conditions (*USPSCC*):
<https://tinyurl.com/2brjpkfm>
 - 1.2.3 The US Sailing Code of Conduct: <https://tinyurl.com/2b2j2dz2>
 - 1.2.4 US Sailing Regulations: <https://tinyurl.com/mwwbfyv7>
- 1.3 Sonar Class Association Appendix B – Alternative Rules will be in effect. In addition, whisker poles are allowed. Spinnaker poles are not permitted.
- 1.4 International 2.4 mR class will use 2.4 Norlin One-Design class rules.
- 1.5 Racing rules listed below will be changed as indicated.
 - 1.5.1 The preamble to Part 4 will be changed to require PDF use, dock to dock. A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device, or in the case of overseas competitors, a personal flotation device approved by their Government's corresponding Maritime Authority, shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times, while launching and sailing, except while temporarily adding or removing clothing.
 - 1.5.2 The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing.'
 - 1.5.3 The US Sailing Prescription to RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.6 In case of a conflict between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Advertising shall conform to the current World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Independence Cup competitors and boats.
 - 3.1.1 The helmsman of each boat shall be a member of US Sailing or, if not a U.S resident, the national sailing authority of their home country. Proof of membership will be required.
 - 3.1.2 Singlehanded Championship - 2.4mR: one person with or without a disability.
 - 3.1.3 Doublehanded Championship - Independence 20: two persons with disabilities.
 - 3.1.4 Triplehanded Championship- Sonar: three persons, with at least one with a disability.
- 3.2 The U.S. Para Sailing competitors and boats.
 - 3.2.1 All competitors of each boat shall be members of US Sailing or, if not a U.S. resident, the national sailing authority of their home country. Proof of membership will be required.
 - 3.2.2 Singlehanded Championship - 2.4mR: one person with a disability.
 - 3.2.3 Doublehanded Championship - Independence 20: two persons with disabilities.
 - 3.2.4 Triplehanded Championship- Sonar: three persons, with the skipper and at least one other member with a disability.
- 3.3 Doublehanded entries will be provided with an able-bodied (AB) person by the Organizing Authority and will perform non-tactical duties. AB sailors will rotate throughout the regatta as scheduled by the OA.
- 3.4 Eligible competitors may enter by completing the entry form linked to the Judd Goldman Adaptive Foundation (JGASF) website. www.juddgoldmansailing.org
- 3.5 Competitors will be required to submit documents available via a link on the JGASF website: www.juddgoldmansailing.org
 - 3.5.1 Waiver of Liability Form
 - 3.5.2 Medical Emergency Information Form
 - 3.5.3 Provided Sailboat Equipment Agreement
 - 3.5.4 Sailing Resume Form (all first-time Independence Cup competitors).
- 3.6 Competitor Eligibility for the U.S. Para Sailing Championship:
 - 3.6.1 Competitors shall not use banned substances that would cause them to be declared ineligible under the rules and regulations of the US Anti-Doping Agency (www.usada.org), except under the terms of a valid Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE). A copy of the TUE shall be provided to the OA before racing begins.
 - 3.6.2 No competitor shall use, at any time during the event, marijuana or any other controlled substance without a TUE. An alleged breach of NOR 3.6.1 or 3.6.2 shall not be grounds for a protest. However, if the protest committee believes that a competitor may have broken NOR 3.6.1 or 3.6.2, it shall follow the process described in US Sailing's Code of Conduct. A competitor found to have broken one of these rules shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed

from the regatta venue and sent home, and the competitor's boat (if not provided by the OA) shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

3.6.3 Classification is recommended but not required.

4. BOATS

- 4.1 2.4mR, Independence 20 and Sonar sailboats with sails and appropriate adaptations are provided by the JGASF for competitor use. Competitors may also supply their own boat.
- 4.2 The organizing authority may require the JGASF provided boats to be rotated and such rotation may be listed daily.
- 4.3 All teams using boats provided by the JGASF shall post a damage deposit with the JGASF in the amount of \$1,000.00 US, payable by check only. This deposit will be collected by the JGASF at registration.

5. ENTRY FEES

Entry fee to participate in the regatta is \$200 US per competitor. Hotel registration cannot be completed until entry fee is received. Any entry fee received after July 8, 2024, will be subject to a late fee of \$50 US per person.

6. SCHEDULE

Thursday, July 25, 2024 – Clinic Day

0900-0945	Continental Breakfast, Registration- Regatta Tent at Burnham Harbor
0945	Boat Prep & Rigging
1100-1400	Lunch & Competitors Clinic
1430	Skipper's Meeting & Coaches Debrief

Friday, July 26, 2024 - Racing Day

0900	Continental Breakfast, Competitors Meeting, Coaches Briefing-Regatta Tent
1055	First Warning
1400	No warning after this time
After Racing	Coaches Debrief
1830-2230	34 th Annual JGASF Independence Gala at Galleria Marchetti Cocktail Reception, Dinner, Entertainment, Silent/Live Auction and Raffle

Saturday, July 27, 2024 - Racing Day

0900	Continental Breakfast, Competitors Meeting, Coaches Briefing-Regatta Tent
1055	First Warning
After Racing	Coaches Debrief Columbia Yacht Club Hosted BBQ

Sunday, July 28, 2024 – Racing Day

0900	Continental Breakfast, Competitors Meeting, Coaches Briefing - Regatta Tent
1055	First Warning
1400	No warning after this time
After Racing	Coaches Debrief Dinner and Awards Ceremony

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be provided at registration and will be linked on the regatta website www.juddgoldmansailing.org

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The regatta will be held at the Regatta Tent adjacent to the Judd Goldman Sailing Center at Burnham Harbor, 1362 S. Linn White Drive, east of the intersection of DuSable Lake Shore Drive and E. McFetridge Drive, Chicago, IL (one block west of the Adler Planetarium).
- 8.2 Racing will be on Lake Michigan, east of the Burnham Harbor entrance.

9. THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 The Independence Cup Regatta and U.S. Para Sailing Championship competitors will sail and be scored together. All entrants will be competing in their respective classes for the Independence Cup Awards. For the U.S. Para Sailing Championship, the eligible entrants will compete for the awards in their respective classes.
- 10.2 One race is required to be completed by a class to constitute a regatta for that class.
- 10.3 When fewer than six races have been completed, a team's score will be the total of their race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a team's score will be the total of their race scores excluding the worst score that can be discarded. This changes USPSCC 11.

11. BERTHING

All boats shall be kept at the Burnham Harbor docks as directed by regatta officials.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13. RADIO COMMUNICATION

While racing, and except in an emergency, or as directed by the race committee, a boat shall neither make nor receive transmissions by radio, mobile telephones or other electronic devices that are not available to all boats. For safety purposes, VHF radios are recommended for each boat.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1 The Independence Cup awards will be presented to the first, second and third place teams in each class at the conclusion of racing on Sunday, July 28, 2024.
 - 14.1.1 The winning competitor in the 2.4mR class will receive the Independence Cup Singlehanded trophy, which will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at the JGASF.

- 14.1.2 The winning team in the Independence 20 class will receive the Independence Cup Doublehanded trophy, which will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at the JGASF.
- 14.1.3 The winning team in the Sonar class will receive the Independence Cup Triplehanded trophy, which will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at the JGASF.
- 14.1.4 The Kristi Walker Sportsmanship Trophy will be awarded to the regatta participant who best exemplifies the ideals of good sportsmanship both on and off the water during the regatta, as determined by the regatta competitors. The trophy will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at the JGASF.
- 14.1.5 The Pete Paganis/Bill Parks Most Improved Trophy will be awarded to the team or individual who, in the opinion of the regatta committee, comes to the regatta with the least amount of sailing experience and gives the best overall performance. The trophy will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at the JGASF.
- 14.2 The U.S. Para Sailing Championship awards will be presented to the first, second and third place teams in each class at the conclusion of racing on Sunday, July 28, 2024:
 - 14.2.1 US Sailing medals will be awarded in all divisions for the top three boats.
 - 14.2.2. The winner of the singlehanded class will be awarded the Judd Goldman Trophy.
 - 14.2.3. The highest placing singlehanded U.S. finisher will receive the title U.S. Para Sailing Singlehanded Champion.
 - 14.2.4. The winner of the doublehanded class will be awarded the Chandler Hovey Trophy.
 - 14.2.5. The highest placing doublehanded U.S. finisher will receive the title U.S. Para Sailing Doublehanded Champion.
 - 14.2.6. The winner of the triplehanded class will be awarded the Gene Hinkel Trophy.
 - 14.2.7 The highest placing triplehanded U.S. finisher will receive the title U.S. Para Sailing Triplehanded Champion.

15. SERVICE ANIMALS

Service animals shall not accompany the sailor onboard a competing boat. The care and supervision of service animals is the sole responsibility of the sailor or owner of the animal. While the sailor is on the water, the service animal must be cared for away from the regatta site. The OA will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury resulting from the actions of service animals.

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The JGASF and US Sailing and their officers, directors and employees, the event volunteers and officials, the event sponsors, and any other members of the regatta will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. A waiver shall be signed by all competitors and shall be considered one of the documents governing the regatta.

17. PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

By participating in the Independence Cup and U.S. Para Sailing Championship, competitors grant a limited, non-exclusive, worldwide, fully-paid, perpetual royalty-free license to the JGASF and US Sailing to use, modify, publicly display, reproduce and distribute competitors' name, voice, image, likeness, and biographical material in any media (including television, print, internet and video footage), for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the event, JGASF, US Sailing and the competitor's participation in the event.

18. REGATTA CONTACT

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