



August 15-16, 2020

Venue: Sail Newport, Fort Adams State Park, Newport, RI
Organizing Authority: North East NACRA Sailing Association
Sponsored by: Narragansett Athletic Sailing Association

NOTICE OF RACE

AMENDED 30 JULY 2020

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1 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 Each competing boat shall conform to her Class Rules.
- 1.3 The US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick shall be used as the handicap system. Neither crew weight nor wind modifications will be used.
- 1.4 Official documents, including sailing instructions and course descriptions, will be available online only (at yachtscoring.com). Paper copies will not be provided.
- 1.5 Class rules restricting the use of radios shall not be grounds for protests during this regatta. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.6 Additional local regulations related to COVID-19 are in effect. Refer to NOR 6.
- 1.7 Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at Fort Adams.

2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all beach catamarans with a Portsmouth P-PN # lower than 77.6 and NEMA vessels.
- 2.2 No single-handed boats are allowed.
- 2.3 Classes will be Portsmouth Handicap spinnaker, non-spinnaker and F-18.
Additional classes (e.g., Hobie 16) will be added if 4 or more boats register.
- 2.4 All spinnaker beach cats will also compete in an overall Portsmouth Handicap corrected class.
- 2.5 Register online – see who is registered at www.yachtscoring.com
- 2.6 Each boat is required to pass an onsite Safety Equipment Verification as a condition of entry.
- 2.7 **All competitors acknowledge that by entering this race they are competent enough to self rescue themselves from any situation. There are no RC safety boats for this regatta.**
- 2.8 Boats will be required to display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority. If this rule is broken, World Sailing Regulation 20.9.2 applies.
- 2.9 **ENTRY DEADLINE: Registration, including payment and completion of waivers, must be completed online no later than 07 AUGUST 2020.**

3 Fees

- 3.1 Entry Fee: \$75.
- 3.2 Fees will also include two custom rash guards for each trapeze boats as well as two sun shirts for the first 12 non-trap cats registered. Additional shirts may be available to purchase on site.
- 3.3 Neither food nor beverages will be available at this event.

4 Schedule of Races

- 4.1 One distance race each day for (two) consecutive days, event schedule is as follows.
- 4.2 There will be no on-site registration at this regatta.
- 4.3 There will be no in-person Competitors Meeting at this regatta.
- 4.4 There will be no social events at this regatta.

DAY	TIME	EVENT
FRIDAY	1600-1900	Inspections
SATURDAY	0800-0900	Inspections
	1100	Warning Signal
SUNDAY	1000	Warning Signal

5 Courses

- 5.1 Courses each day will be between 10-50 miles depending on forecast conditions. Different courses may be specified for different classes depending on boat type/Portsmouth D-PN.
- 5.2 Courses will consist of rounding various islands and government or Race Committee (RC) marks and will require a waterproof chart of Narragansett Bay, upper Mt Hope Bay, Sakonnet River and the Atlantic Ocean off Aquidneck Island.
- 5.3 Sailors must be able to navigate using charts and a compass or GPS.
- 5.4 "Possible courses" will be made available online no later than August 1, 2020.
- 5.5 Additional course options may be added, no later than 60 minutes prior to each start, based on weather conditions or other factors.
- 5.6 The final courses to be sailed will be posted online, no later than 60 minutes prior to each start (or removal of AP ashore, whichever is later).

6 Safety and Safety Equipment

- 6.1 COVID-19 Related Safety
 - 6.1.1 All competitors must wear a mask at all times while ashore.
 - 6.1.2 In instances where a mask cannot be worn, competitors must keep 6' of distance between people not on the boat they are sailing on.
 - 6.1.3 Competitors must complete the below form and keep it with them in their car while on site. <https://reopeningri.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Certificate-Of-Compliance-Out-Of-State-Travel-Requirements.pdf?189db0&189db0>.
 - 6.1.4 All competitors must follow the Rhode Island guidelines for traveling to RI from out of state.
- 6.2 Safety Equipment
 - 6.2.1 Each boat is required to pass an onsite Safety Equipment Verification prior to racing.
 - 6.2.2 A boat may be inspected at any time during the regatta for compliance with these requirements.
 - 6.2.3 All competitors on F18's and other trapeze cats, will be required to wear the provided high-vis rash guards while racing.

6.2.4 Required Safety Equipment

On each sailor	1 whistle & 1 knife & 1 life jacket & high-vis rash guard
On each boat	Waterproof charts(s) of the entire race area
	1 waterproof flashlight (separate from a cell phone)
	Compass and/or GPS
	VHF or cell phone (waterproof or in waterproof case) Note: It is strongly recommended that each person carry a submersible VHF on his/her person.

6.3 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have the right of way over a vessel under power who may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.

7 Insurance

7.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000. per event.

8 Prizes

8.1 Prizes will be awarded based upon the number of entries received through July 22, 2020.

8.2 The New England 100 perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top finisher in the overall Portsmouth Handicap corrected (spinnaker) class.

9 Disclaimer of Liability

9.1 By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by NENSA at Sail Newport, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk (see RRS 4 – “Decision to Race”); that NENSA or Sail Newport, and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she or any heir, representative, successor or assignee may have against NENSA, Sail Newport and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.