



# 2023 NEW ENGLAND 100

Fort Adams State Park, Newport, RI

Aug 12-13, 2023

Organizing Authority: NAASA

Sponsored by: NAASA

## NOTICE OF RACE

(Includes items previously incorporated from Amendments 1 and 2.

**Amendment 3 items indicated in red font.)**

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		<b>VHF Channel 16</b>	<b>VHF Channel 71</b>

### 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 Class rules regarding minimum crew weight shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.5 Class rules restricting the use of radios shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- 1.6 Official documents, including sailing instructions and course descriptions, will be available online only (at [yachtscoring.com](http://yachtscoring.com)). Paper copies will not be provided.
- 1.7 Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at Fort Adams.
- 1.8 Vehicle parking is not allowed on the lawn at Fort Adams. All vehicles must be parked in the designated spaces, adjacent to the lawn, or in the paved lot located southwest of the Sail Newport property. (Exception: Trailers may be parked on the lawn for the duration of the regatta.)

### 2 Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1 The regatta is open to:
  - \*Class legal F18 Catamarans
  - \*Spinnaker beach catamarans 20 feet in length or above
- 2.2 No single-handed boats are allowed.
- 2.3 Classes will be F-18, and Portsmouth Handicap Open Spinnaker.
- 2.4 All spinnaker beach cats will also compete in an Overall Portsmouth (Spinnaker) class.
- 2.5 Register online – see who is registered at [www.yachtscoring.com](http://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 vesels 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 1 AUGUST 2023.
- 2.10 **Late entries may be accepted with advance OA notification.**

**3 Fees**

- 3.1 Entry Fees:
  - \*F18 - \$250, or \$150 for NAASA members
  - \*Spinnaker Beach Cats - \$300, or \$200 for NAASA members
- 3.2 Saturday night dinner @ Fort Adams will be included.

**4 Schedule of Events**

- 4.1 One distance race each day for (two) consecutive days
- 4.2 There will be no on-site registration at this regatta
- 4.3 Event schedule is as follows:

DAY	TIME	EVENT
FRIDAY	1600-1815	Inspections
SATURDAY	0730-0900	Inspections
	0915	Competitors Meeting
	1100	Warning Signal
SUNDAY	0915	Competitors Meeting
	TBD, but not prior to 1000 *	Beach Launch
	1100	Warning Signal

**\* On Sunday, no boats may cross the shoreside walking path until authorized by the RC. The Race for Chase (kids' triathalon) is taking place, and all swimmers and bikers must be clear before any racing catamarans can approach the walking path, ramp or beach. This rule shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).**

**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 11, 2023.**
- 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 onsite, no later than 60 minutes prior to each start (or removal of AP ashore, whichever is later).



## 6 Safety and Safety Equipment

### 6.1 Safety Equipment

- 6.1.1 Each boat is required to pass an onsite Safety Equipment Verification prior to racing.
- 6.1.2 A boat may be inspected at any time during the regatta for compliance with these requirements.
- 6.1.3 All competitors shall wear high-vis rash guards (as outer layer) while racing.
- 6.1.4 Required Safety Equipment (in addition to class-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) <b>Note: It is strongly recommended that each person carry a submersible VHF on his/her person.</b>

- 6.2 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 participation.
- 8.2 The New England 100 perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top finisher in the **Overall Portsmouth (Spinnaker) class.**

## 9 Disclaimer of Liability

- 9.1 By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by NAASA 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 3 – “Decision to Race”); that NAASA 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 NAASA, 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.