



2023 Columbus Day Regatta

Housatonic Boat Club ~ Milford Yacht Club ~ Windjammers Sailing Club
Sunday October 8 2023
131 Trumbull Ave. Milford, CT 06460

Notice of Race (NoR)

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 These rules of the Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association, www.ecsa.net, apply: PHRF of Eastern Connecticut and Offshore Racing Circuit Regulations.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 1200 on Friday, Oct. 6, 2023 at www.yachtscoring.com. Copies of the Sailing Instructions will also be available on the Race Committee boat on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2023.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at www.yachtscoring.com. Additionally, all Notices to Competitors including the NoR and Sailing Instructions will also be posted on the notice board outside the Dockmaster's office at MYC by 0900 the day of the race.
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF marine radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF marine radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats with a valid 2023 PHRF-ECSA certificate. Yachts must have self-bailing cockpits, fixed berths, galley facilities, and the ability to be self-supporting for a weekend cruise.
- 4.2 The event is open to Viper 640 and J22 one-design classes with 3 or more entrants each.
- 4.2 Spinnaker and Non-spinnaker classes will be offered given sufficient entries (Spinnaker - minimum of 3 boats, Non-spinnaker – minimum of 2 boats). Class assignment will be determined by the race committee, based on ECSA-PHRF class designator and rating.
- 4.3 Boats enter the event by registering online at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 4.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by Friday, Oct. 6, 2023 at 1700.
- 4.5 Late Entries may be considered at the discretion of the race committee.

5. FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee is \$50 for US Sailing members, \$55 for non-US Sailing members. There will be no charge for a party at MYC following the race.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1200 on Sunday, Oct. 8, 2023.

6.2 For the Viper 640 and J22 classes, more than 1 race may be sailed.

7. VENUE

7.1 The starting area will be in an area about 1 nm south of Charles Island, Milford, CT.

8. COURSES

8.1 The course(s) to be sailed will consist of government marks and/or drop marks as identified in the Sailing Instructions. Course(s) will be determined by the Race Committee based on prevailing conditions

9. SCORING

9.1 All classes will be scored based on Time-On-Time calculation using $650/(PHRF + 550)$ as the Time Correction Factor (TCF).

10. RISK STATEMENT

10.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

11. INSURANCE

11.1 Each participating boat shall hold insurance, including third party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owners' representative's sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to participating in this event.

12. PRIZES

12.1 Prizes will be awarded for 1st, and additional places dependant on the number entrants in each class.

12.2 Prizes will be awarded at the Windjammers Sailing Club banquet at the end of the season

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact MYC Fleet Captain:

fleetcaptain@milfordyachtclub.com

Dockage space, as available on Friday and Saturday nights, will be provided at no extra cost to competing yachts who REQUEST DOCKAGE ON THEIR ENTRY FORM. Expect some rafting. Dock Office: 203-783-0065