

Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series - Marblehead Race Week Eastern Yacht Club - Marblehead, MA July 25 - 28, 2024

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NOTICE OF RACE

Sailing World and Marblehead Racing Association (MRA) are the Co-Organizing Authorities for this regatta and MRA will provide race management. Eastern Yacht Club (EYC) will be the host club.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- **1.2** All US One Design Class Rules apply with the following exceptions:
- For the J/70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Support Boat) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply. [DP]
 - The J/105 Class has authorized the following changes to their class rules for this regatta:

Allow limited (boom and spinnaker only) advertising.

- **1.3** The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- **1.4** Personal flotation shall be worn as required by class rules. Competitors should be aware that the race committee may display Flag "Y" in accordance with RRS 40.
- **1.5** Competitor boats shall not fly drones, which includes support boats. [DP]

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board immediately prior to the event.
- **2.2** Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-marblehead/. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices at:

https://www.yachtscoring.com/administration/admin_main.cfm?Event_ID=16263

- **2.3** Separate Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available for the Distance Race.
- 2.4 Separate Sailing Instructions (SIs) will be available for the ILCA Racing Line.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Official Notice Board is located online at:

https://www.yachtscoring.com/administration/admin_main.cfm?Event_ID=16263

- **3.2** All boats, except those racing on the Laser Line, shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule. [DP]
- **3.3** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs. Courtesy broadcasts will not be subject to redress. This changes RRS 62.1.
- **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. [DP]



4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **4.1** The following boats are eligible to enter: a) a one-design class association whose class is invited or b) PHRF (distance). Etchells, Finn, IOD, J/24, J/70, J/80, J/105, L30, Laser/ILCA, Lightnings, Megabyte, Melges 15, Rhodes 19, RS21, Sonar, Star, Town Class, Vanguard 15, Viper 640, and VX One. A minimum of six paid entries is required for a class to remain eligible for a one-design or rated start. The deadline for classes to form is July 10. The OA reserves the right to modify the minimum number of entries in a class or combine classes with less than the eligible number of entries at its sole discretion.
- **4.2** Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, classes may be started together but still scored separately.
- **4.3** The Distance Racing division (Saturday and Sunday only) is open to Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker boats of 25 feet LOA or greater that holds a valid PHRF-NE Certificate.
- **4.4** The Owner and/or Skipper of an eligible one design class must be a current valid member of their one design class. The OA encourages all Owners, Skippers, and Crew to be a current member of their National Governing Body (US Sailing for USA members; to join, visit www.ussailing.org).
- **4.5** Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than July 10. Fees for new and incomplete entries after July 1st will increase by \$75.00, this includes any unpaid entries. Boats which have registered for the MRA season championship are exempt from the entry fee (but not the late fee). MRA boats must still register via YachtScoring and are subject to the late fee. Withdrawn entries after July 10 will be assessed a refund administration fee not to exceed \$25.
- **4.6** A representative of each eligible boat shall Register with Race Management in person at the Eastern Yacht Club during the allotted registration time.
- **4.7** Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted online by the close of registration on Thursday, July 25. In order to complete the waiver online, skippers will need to complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner". Subsequently, individual crew members will be notified by email of their boat's entry and those crew members must follow up when notified in order to complete the waiver. A boat's registration will not be considered final without a completed waiver from each participating crew member. A boat will not be able to compete without completing ALL registration requirements. This modifies RRS 76.1
- **4.8** In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability online prior to racing on that boat.
- **4.9** For Entries to be considered valid, all registration items must be completed including but not limited to crew waiver submission, paid fees, rating certificates submitted, etc. All incomplete registrations will be considered withdrawn from the regatta if incomplete on or after 1900 on Thursday, July 25.



REGISTRATION DETAIL	DATE	LINK
Early Entry Opens for All Classes	February 1, 2024	https://www.sailingworld.com/ regatta-series-marblehead/
Call for One Design Class Formation (6 boat minimum)	By 2359hrs on July 8	
Last call for Early Entry Discount - All Classes	By 2359hrs on July 8	
Online Registration Closes	At 2359hrs on July 23	Email late entry requests to regattas@sailingworld.com
Registration for All Classes	0900 - 1100 on July 25 1700 – 1900 on July 25 0900 – 1100 on July 26	Eastern Yacht Club
ILCA and Distance Race Registration	0800 – 1000 on July 27	Eastern Yacht Club

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee will be based on the LOA as follows:

LOA	Early Entry Fees	Entry Fees after July 8
MRA	Exempt	\$145
ILCA/Singlehanded	\$125	\$175
up to 24'	\$200	\$275
25' - 30'	\$225	\$300
31' – over	\$255	\$330
Distance Race (Saturday & Sunday)	\$125	\$175



- **5.2** The entry fee includes the costs for race management, access to CYC, and race facilities from Thursday, July 25 Sunday, July 28.
- **5.3** Entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA. An entry is not valid until the entry form and fees are accepted by the organizing authority. To withdraw your entry, please email regattas@sailingworld.com no later than Monday, July 22. In the event that the regatta is canceled all entry fees will be credited in full.
- **5.4** Social event fees are separate from entry fees; sailors, members, and their guests are welcome. It is the intent of the OA to host a two-hour Happy Hour post racing on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at the Eastern Yacht Club. Weekend Social Passes should be purchased in advance on the Race website.

6. ADVERTISING

- **6.1** Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.
- **6.2** Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.
- **6.3** At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **7.1** As many races will be sailed as are practical on each scheduled day of racing.
- **7.2** The first warning signal for buoy racing is scheduled for 1200 each day. The first warning signal for distance racing is scheduled for 1055 each day.
- 7.3 No warning signal will be made after 1500 on Sunday, July 28.

8. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

- **8.1** A boat in a handicap section shall submit a valid rating certificate no later than July 22.
- **8.2** Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by her class.
- **8.3** Neither the OA nor MRA shall be responsible for conducting or administrating weigh-ins or measurements. Local or national class association representatives shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins and/or measurement if needed.

9. VENUE

Courses will be sailed offshore from Marblehead Neck, Salem Sound, and Massachusetts Bay.

10. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward, triangle, or a variation of these point to point utilizing government marks. The number of racing areas, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions. Class/Racing area assignments are subject to entries received.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1 RRS Appendix T- ARBITRATION will apply.
- 11.2 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT will apply.



12. SCORING

- **12.1** Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races with no race scores excluded. One race will constitute a series. This changes RRS A2.1.
- **12.2** Boats entered under PHRF will be scored using time-on-time (TOT) scoring. All other boats will be scored without handicap.

13. BERTHING

Boats from out of town will need to arrange for a mooring. Moorings for the regatta may be arranged by calling the Eastern, Corinthian, or Boston Yacht Clubs.

14. RISK STATEMENT

- **14.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA and CYC 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.
- **14.2** The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.
- **14.3** It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA.

16. PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be awarded, after racing on Sunday, to the top-three finishers of each qualifying class.
- **16.2** Boats in classes participating in three or more events of the Series will qualify for Sailing World Regatta Series Champion award, which will be based on cumulative race scores from three events.
- **16.3** Each class winner is eligible for the 2024 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion of the event from the class winners.
- **16.4** Additional prizes may be awarded to the top Junior Team (under 21 years of age), and top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female) to any one-design class with a minimum of 12 boats registered.

17. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media

whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.



18. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Regatta Series strives to support sustainable sailing and works with Sailors for the Sea - Silver Level certified Clean Regatta. The Regatta Series partners with Sea Bags for sail collection, and Line Collection to reuse and upcycle sailing equipment. Sail Collection will take place at Corinthian, Boston and Eastern Yacht Clubs during the Regatta. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, using bike share programs, and provision your boat with limited single-use plastics. Visit www.sailorsforthesea.org to learn more. [NP] [DP]

19. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact: Sailing World regattas@sailingworld.com www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series