



**2024 ATLANTIC CLASS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
MADISON BEACH CLUB, MADISON CT
August 14 – 16, 2024**



**NOTICE OF RACE
(Version 6/12/24)**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Atlantic Class Association and hosted by the Madison Beach Club in Madison, CT. Principal Race Officer is Amanda Clark.

1 RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing, 2021-2024 including US Sailing Prescriptions
- 1.2 In addition to the Rules of the Atlantic Class Association that are available on the Atlantic Class website.
- 1.3 Atlantic Class Equipment Regulations will apply, except where altered by the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Parking at MBC property is limited, no trailers on the property.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions (SI) will be available online August 11th.
- 2.2. In the case of a discrepancy between the NOR and SI, the SI will prevail.
- 2.3. The race committee reserves the right to amend the SI at any time, with proper notice to the competitors.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online notice board is located on the Yacht Scoring site as well as MBC sailing bulletin board
- 3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on standard channels.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee (RC) will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors via VHF radio. The channel will be stated on the SIs.
- 3.4 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or transmission and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Event is open to all boats of the Atlantic Class that conform to the current Atlantic Class Rules.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and paying the required fees
- 4.3 All participants, including those who registered and made the required payments online, are required to report to Check-In during the scheduled hours to confirm and complete their registration.
- 4.4 All competitors must complete waivers online no later than Aug 1st

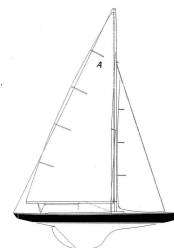
5 FEES

- 5.1 Entry fee (taxes included) is as follows:
\$1,100 if paid online by July 1 2024, or **\$1,200** after July 2 and before Aug 1
- 5.2. An entry will not be considered final until all fees are paid, and all required forms are submitted no later than August 1, 2024

6 CREW LIMITATIONS

6.1 Per the Atlantic Class Rules.

7 SCHEDULE – tentative



Practice Race	Aug 13	1430
Check-in	Aug 14	0830
Skipper's Meeting	Aug 14	0900
Harbor Start	Aug 14	1000
Warning gun	Aug 14	1100 (or 1 hour after Harbor Start)
Harbor Start	Aug 15 & 16	0930
Warning gun	Aug 15 & 16	1030 (or 1 hour after Harbor Start)

7.1 A maximum of (6) races are scheduled.

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

All competing boats must provide the following:

- a) Completed **Certification Form**, found in Yacht Scoring, signed by Atlantic Rules Committee member no later than Aug 1st
- b) Boats, equipment and sails may be inspected at any time.
- c) Repairs, alteration or substitution of sails or equipment shall be in accordance with Atlantic Class rules and will require the written content of the OA, Protest Committee or the PRO

9 VENUE

The racing area will be on Long Island Sound, the waters off the Madison Beach Club, Madison, CT. Boat launch and haul is at Browns Boatyard, see **Additional Information** for details.

10 PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 Per the Atlantic Class rules

11 SCORING.

12.1. Six races are scheduled.

12.2 Three completed races are necessary to constitute a regatta.

12.3 A boat's worst score shall be excluded if 5 or more races are completed.

12 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

A chartered or loaned boat, all conditions regarding 'Eligibility and Entry' shall apply.

13 BERTHING

15.1. All boats shall be kept on their assigned mooring.

14 RISK STATEMENT

16.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or race is hers alone'.

16.2 The skipper is required to sign the **MBC Risk & Responsibility** on Yacht Scoring completing the registration no later than Aug 1st.



15 INSURANCE

18.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per incident or the equivalent. It is the owner's inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and is adequate prior to competing in the event.

18.2. Proof of Insurance shall be provided no later than Aug 1st

16 PRIZES

19.1. The Atlantic Class perpetual trophies will be presented to the winners at the Atlantic Class annual dinner, along with the Atlantic Nationals keeper prizes for 1st through 5th places.

19.2 Additional prizes may be awarded.

REGATTA CONTACTS:

For further information please contact

Regatta Co-Chairs:

□ Sarah Davidson sarahdson@gmail.com

□ Sue Hennessey hennessey.sue@gmail.com

Atlantic Class President: Rob Coster robcoaster@gmail.com

Principal Race Officer: Amanda Clark

Thank you to our sponsor Doyle Sail and the amazing 'Friends of the Atlantic Class':



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

We will be using Yachtscoring.com for registration, race and regatta management.



ENTRY DOCUMENTS CHECKLIST

1. Online registration and payment (discount applies if paid by July 1))
2. Proof of Insurance, \$300,000 Liability required
3. Certification form- signed by a Rules Committee Member
4. MBC Risk & Responsibility waiver signed

DOCUMENTS & FORMS

Please be aware that the "Documents & Forms" folder in YachtScoring will contain **registration forms to complete no later than 8/1/24 and emailed to sarahdson@gmail.com**

FEES OUTLINE:

Required fees are as follows, per boat:

\$1,100 if registered between 4/1/24 to 7/1/24

\$1,200 if registered between 7/2/24 to 8/1/24

THE FEE INCLUDES:

- Six championship races (if time and weather permits)
- Dinner @ MBC: Wed & Thursday (4 tickets for each night)
- Lunch provided: Wed, Thurs, Fri
- Swag – 4 hats
- Post-race beer & bites: Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri
- Atlantic Nationals 2024 keeper trophies for skipper and three crew, for top five finishers.
- Launching & hauling for boats traveling long distances
- Moorings for all competing boats and support craft.

ADDITIONAL DINNERS

You can reserve and pay for additional dinners at YachtScoring.com. All the events are at MBC and space is limited. Out of town guests will have first choice to purchase tickets via Yacht Scoring- so please purchase tickets well in advance so we are sure to accommodate everyone who would like to attend. Last minute tickets may not be available.

BEVERAGE

Connecticut State laws require all alcohol consumed on premises, to be purchased at the Madison Beach Club and no one under the age of 21 is allowed on the bar porch designated by a white line. Cocktail beverages can be purchased at the MBC bar.

MBC CLUB RULES

- All food and drink consumed on premises must be purchased at MBC. The snack bar will be open throughout the day.
- No cell phones. If urgent, please make your calls in the parking area to the east of the bar porch or the main parking area north of the clubhouse. Texting is permitted.
- Upper beach, green chairs with umbrellas in front of the porch, is for adults only.

- Bar porch is for adults only, under 21 can gather on the lawn.
- No Smoking
- Sailor's gear bags left ashore will be stored in the Ballroom.



HOUSING

MBC will not be providing housing however we will try to accommodate competitors who are traveling long distance to participate. Please contact sarahdson@gmail.com

Here is a partial list of nearby lodging for your convenience:

- Madison Beach Hotel at 94 West Wharf Road, Madison, CT
- Scranton Seahorse Inn at 818 Boston Post Road, Madison, CT
- Tidewater Inn at 949 Boston Post Road, Madison, CT
- Tower Inn & Suites at 320 Boston Post Rd., Guilford, CT
- Comfort Inn at 300 Boston Post Road, Guilford, CT

TRAILERING: LAUNCH AND HAUL DETAILS

- a) If you are trailering your boat, all launching and hauling is done at Browns Boatyard. High tide is optimal so plan your trip accordingly. Contact Rob Coster to arrange towing to MBC
- b) **Address: Browns Boatyard:** 348 Chaffinch Island Rd, Guilford, CT 06437
- c) Tide Chart for Guilford CT:
<https://www.ussharbons.com/harbor/connecticut/guilford-harbor-ct/pdf/?tide=2024-07>

REGATTA SWAG

All swag will be available on Yacht Scoring, Swag Store, and on the MBC Atlantic Nationals homepage. ORDER EARLY- Please note there is a 3 week processing time to receive an order. For assistance, contact Sue Hennessey Hennessey.sue@gmail.com

SPECTATOR BOATS

MBC members will provide spectator boats. Space is limited and is on a first come first serve basis. Sign up on the Notice Board

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