



## The Early Bird Regatta

### Niantic Bay Yacht Club

Sunday June 2nd, 2024

## NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. This event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. No race will be excluded. This modifies RRS A.2.1.

### 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the **Regatta Website** and at [www.nbyc.org](http://www.nbyc.org) by May 31st, 2024

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. Yacht Scoring (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16690>) will be the on-line document repository and registration system (**Regatta Website**)
- 3.2. The online official notice board is located on the **Regatta Website**
- 3.3. All boats shall carry a VHF radio.
- 3.4. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.5. [DP] 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. This regatta is open to PHRF (Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker classes) and One Design Class Boats.
- 4.2. Time on Time calculation using the ECSA / PHRF Time Correction Factor will be used to score PHRF Classes.
- 4.3. Classes shall be defined as per a scratch sheet posted on the **Regatta Website** by 2000 hours June 1st, 2024
- 4.4. A minimum of three (3) entries are required per class for a start to be given.
- 4.5. Eligible boats may enter the event by registering online on the **Regatta Website**.
- 4.6. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees by 1800 hours May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
- 4.7. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.8. ECSA Membership is not required to participate in this regatta.
- 4.9. ECSA Members sailing in a PHRF division must have a valid ECSA PHRF certificate on file at ECSA.net
- 4.10. Non ECSA Members sailing in a PHRF division will use a PHRF base rating assigned by the OA.

## 5. FEES

- 5.1. Entry fee for the event is \$50 (\$55 if non-US Sailing) payable on the **Regatta Website**.

## 6. QUALIFYING SERIES

- 6.1. This event is an ECSA Offshore Circuit Series Points Regatta
- 6.2. This event is a Pre-Off Soundings Cup Series Points Regatta. Qualification requires finishing both the Early Bird and the Thames YC Commodore's Trophy Race.

## 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1. First Warning is scheduled for 1200 Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024
- 7.2. Multiple races are possible for any class at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 7.3. No warning signal will be made after 1500.

## 8. VENUE

Racing will take place in Niantic Bay and Long Island Sound

## 9. COURSES

- 9.1. The courses to be sailed will consist of government and dropped marks.
- 9.2. The courses will be posted on the Race Committee Signal boat as specified in the Sailing Instructions.
- 9.3. The marks will be identified in the Sailing Instructions and will have stated GPS coordinates.

## 10. SCORING

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Trophies will be awarded for each class.
- 11.2. Results will be announced at the post-race party at Niantic Bay Yacht Club at the end of the day.

## 12. FURTHER INFORMATION

Niantic Bay Yacht Club      8 Shore Road, Niantic, CT 06357  
860-739-0558. VHF Channel 72.

Club and Event information is available at [www.nbyc.org](http://www.nbyc.org)

**Regatta Website** is Yacht Scoring at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=16690>

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