



## 2024 ADULT SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT

Clifford D. Mallory Trophy

### Notice of Race (NOR)

Event Website: [U.S. Adult Championship](#)

Organizing Authority ("OA"): US Sailing

Host Club: Detroit Yacht Club

**September 26-29, 2024**

*"The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor subject to a request for redress by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a) and 60.1(b).*

### 1. Rules

1.1 The Event will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). The following additional documents will also apply:

- a. [2021-2024 US Sailing Prescriptions \(excluding prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.1, 63.2, 63.4, and 81\)](#);
- b. US Sailing Conditions of the US Adult Sailing Championship.
- c. [US Sailing Championship Conditions](#);
- d. [US Sailing Regulations 2, 10, 14 and 15](#);
- e. [US Sailing Safe Sport Handbook](#);
- f. [US Sailing Championships Code of Conduct](#);
- g. [US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#); and
- h. Addendum A – Borrowed Boat Handling and Equipment Rules.

1.2 [DP] PFDs: Per US Sailing Regulation 10.04, all competitors must bring and wear their own US Coast Guard-approved personal flotation devices (PFD) **at all times while on the water**, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing. Competitors from outside the United States may wear a PFD approved by their nations' certification authorities to the extent permitted by international treaty. A violation of this Instruction may be protested by race officials or a competitor; however, an inadvertent and momentary breach of this Instruction may receive a penalty less than disqualification (DSQ) at the discretion of the Protest Committee (PC). This changes RRS 40.

1.3 [NP] [DP] All teams must bring and carry an operating VHF radio while on-the-water.

## 2. ADVERTISING

[DP] Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

## 3. BORROWED BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

[NP] [DP] The Detroit Yacht Club (DYC) will provide club-owned, race-ready Flying Scot boats and sails for all teams. Teams must use the Flying Scots as provided by the club and comply with this NOR and Addendum A – Boat Handling and Equipment Rules.

## 4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1 All competitors and the clubs they represent must be members in good standing of US Sailing or their national authority.

4.2 Participants must turn, or at least be, 19 years of age in the calendar year of the Event.

4.3 Number of Crew: The number of crew for the Regatta will be two (2) or three (3) including the helmsperson. A team must start and finish each race of the event with the same number of sailors registered on that team.

4.4 Eligibility Conditions: All competitors must meet the eligibility requirements specified in the Conditions, which can be found on the Event website.

4.5 The selection process for all competitors at the national finals level is described on the Event website.

## 5. REGISTRATION AND FEE

### 5.1 Fees

5.1.1 Entry fee is \$450 for two (2) sailors and \$545 for three (3) sailors.

5.1.2 Late entries received after **September 4, 2024**, will incur an additional fee of \$75 unless invited by the OA from the priority wait list.

5.1.3 Payment: non-refundable \$50 Application Fee due **August 24, 2024**, with application supplied by the RSA.

5.1.4 Entry fees are payable through a Yacht Scoring link provided within the Invitation to Register Email the RSA representative and Team Captain will receive from the 2024 U.S. Adult Sailing Championship Selection Committee.

5.2 Entries will be selected as specified in Section 2 of the US Sailing Adult Championship Conditions. Each US Sailing Regional Sailing Association (RSA) may submit ONE (1) entry.

### 5.3 Deadlines

Deadline Date	Activity to Be Completed
August 24, 2024	Application Deadline: RSAs (or their delegates) must submit applications with the Nonrefundable \$50 Application Fee to US Sailing. The form will be provided to all USSA Member RSAs. If Link is lost, the RSA should contact USSA: <a href="mailto:adultchampionships@ussailing.org">adultchampionships@ussailing.org</a>

On or Before August 29, 2024	Notification: US Sailing will notify teams invited to participate in national finals with a Link to register.
On or Before September 4, 2024	Registration Deadline: Invited teams must register online with provided Link found in invitation email.

5.4 Entries not invited will be kept on a priority waitlist and will be contacted in order determined by the US Sailing Selection Committee if any of the invited entrants are unable to attend.

5.5 As a condition of entry, all competitors will be required to sign US Sailing's Code of Conduct, depiction release, the release of liability, and waiver forms.

5.6 An entry is not considered complete until the entry form is completed and all fees and signed documents (including signed releases and waivers) are received and accepted by US Sailing and Damage Deposit is paid to the Detroit Yacht Club at onsite Check in.

#### 5.7 Damage Deposit

5.7.1 The Event is the host club's boats, which must be protected from loss and damage.

5.7.2 An initial damage **deposit of US \$1,500** must be paid by each team to the Detroit Yacht Club at onsite check-in. This may be done with a credit card or check.

##### 5.7.3 Procedure

- a. Competitors must inspect each boat upon getting in and out of it (including at the beginning of the day, on-the-water, or at end of day).
- b. If competitors see any damage or loss to the boat, sails or equipment, their team will notify the bosun for inspection.
- c. On-the-water, the team will raise a flag (provided at registration) to get the bosun's attention and/or verbally communicate to a race official.
- d. Bosun will inspect and attempt to repair the damaged or lost part of the boat and thereafter determine if the damage or loss was caused by a team(s) or ordinary wear and tear. If the bosun determines the damage or loss was caused by a team(s), the cost of the repair will be deducted from their damage deposit(s), and teams will need to bring the damage deposit amount back to \$1500.
- e. In addition, each team will submit a written damage report to the Regatta bosun or his designee at the end of the day, even if no damage or loss occurred. Reports must include any evidence of matters which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future matches. If no report of damage or loss is made to bosun or host club, but damage or loss is found to a boat, the cost of the repair(s) will be deducted from the damage deposit of the last team to use the boat.

5.7.4 If a deduction from the damage deposit is determined by the host club, the host club may require the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the Event.

5.7.5 Any remaining deposit will be refunded 30 days after the Event, minus the costs of any boat damage or other costs incurred and left unpaid, for which the host club deems the skipper to be responsible.

#### 5.8 Refund

If an invited team is unable to attend the Event and has paid its entry fees, such team may request a refund (excluding non-refundable \$50 application fee) only if a replacement team is found by September 15, 2024.

## 6. SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Event
Thursday, September 24	1000 – 1700	Check-In
	1200 – 1800	Boats available for practice
	1830	Meet the Teams Social, Team Photos with Trophy and Local Knowledge at DYC
Friday, September 25	0900	Competitors' Meeting
	1100	First warning
	after racing	Dinner @ DYC
Saturday, September 26	0900	Competitors' Meeting
	1100	First Warning
	after racing	On Own (Group option)
Sunday, September 27	0830	Competitor's Meeting
	1000	First Warning
	<b>1400</b>	<b>No initial warning signal after this time</b>
	After Racing	Taco Bar Social & Awards at DYC

## 7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

SIs will be available by September 15, 2024 on the [Event website](#)

## 8. EVENT VENUE, COURSE & RACING AREA

8.1 The Event venue will be the Detroit Yacht Club on Belle Isle at One Riverbank Road, Belle Isle Detroit, MI 48207

8.2 Windward-leeward racecourses (with or without a gate) are planned for this event

8.3 The Racing Area will be in the Detroit River in the vicinity of the Detroit Yacht Club. As an alternative, at the discretion of the race committee, racing may be in Lake St. Clair near the source of the Detroit River.

## 9. PENALTY SYSTEM

9.1 RRS Appendix UF, as modified in Addendum A will apply. Races will be umpired, and judges may file protests under RRS 60.3.

## 10. RACE FORMAT & SCORING

### 10.1 Race Format

- a. The event will consist of a windward-leeward course. Further details will be in the Sailing Instructions.
- b. Fleet Racing Format. The event will be conducted using a regular fixed fleet.
- c. Fleet Race Boat Rotations. Teams will rotate boats after a set number of races as determined by the OA. The rotation format will be described in the Sailing Instructions. Initial boat assignments will be chosen through a random drawing by the OA no later than 1930 Thursday, September 26, 2024.
- d. A minimum of three (3) races shall be completed to constitute a series.
- e. In accordance with RRS A2.1, a boat's series score shall, subject to RRS 90.3(b), be the total of her races scores with no races excluded.

## 11. COACHING & SUPPORT BOATS

This is a Grade 3 event as defined by [US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#). No private coaching of any competitor while on the water will be permitted.

## 12. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

[NP] Per US Sailing Regulation 10.03, for the Event, no competitor will use or possess, either on or off the water, marijuana or any other substance if use or possession is illegal under state or federal law. An alleged breach of these regulations will not be grounds for a protest; this changes RRS 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the PC believes that a competitor may have breached any regulation or Code of Conduct, it must follow the process described in the Championship Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, he/she will be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the Event venue and sent home. The competitor's team will be disqualified from all races of the Event. This changes RRS 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a).

## 12. PRIZES

12.1 US Sailing medals will be awarded to the top three teams.

12.2 The first place team will be presented the [Clifford D. Mallory Trophy](#).

12.3 The [Staton J. Peele, Jr. Trophy](#) for sportsmanship may be awarded to the sailor voted upon by the competitors. Each competing boat may cast one vote. Votes will be collected by a representative of the OA.

### **13. DISCLAIMER, RELEASE & WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury, including without limitation bodily injury, permanent disability, and death. Each person participates in the event and each race entirely at his/her own risk. See RRS 3, "Decision to Race."

The organizing authority, US Sailing, Detroit Yacht Club, the race committee, protest committee, sponsors, or venue (and each of their respective officers, directors, personnel, employees, servants, contractors, officials, members, guests, volunteers, agents, representatives and all other persons in their capacity of assisting a race or related event or activity) (collectively, "race organizers") are not responsible or liable for any action, claim, liability, loss, damage, accident or injury (including bodily injury, personal injury, permanent disability, and death) (collectively, "damages") to any person, property or boat

(i) sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after each race; or  
(ii) arising, relating or resulting from use of race facilities or participation in a race or associated activities, to the fullest extent permitted by law. By participating, each participant (and in the case of children and minors, each participant's parent or guardian) forever releases, discharges and waives any and all actions, suits and claims whatsoever against race organizers for any damages to any person, property or boat

(i) sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after each race; or  
(ii) arising, relating or resulting from use of race facilities or participation in a race or associated activities, to the fullest extent permitted by law. Each participant further releases all race organizers from all damages whatsoever on account of any of them giving assistance, aid, care, advice, rescue, first aid, treatment, or services.

### **14. GOVERNMENTAL RULES**

[DP] Competitors must comply with all applicable local governmental laws, rules and regulations.

### **15. PUBLICITY & PHOTOGRAPHERS' RIGHTS**

As a condition of participation, each participant (on behalf of him/herself and their children/minors) grant RACE ORGANIZERS, sponsors and their designated photographers the perpetual, irrevocable right, license and permission to use, publish and distribute the participant's name, photos, video, images, finishes, results, and statements of them and their boat and crew in all forms and media worldwide (including without limitation Internet) for any purposes whatsoever (including without limitation advertisements, promotions, public sale of pictures, etc.) without compensation or further permission.

### **16. AMENDMENT**

The OA may amend this NOR at any time upon posting an updated version on

(i) the Event website and/or, (ii) if change occurs during the event, the official notice board at NYC's clubhouse.

## 17. FURTHER INFORMATION

The Host club is Detroit Yacht Club, located at 1 Riverbank Dr., Detroit, Michigan 48207, 313-824-1200. The Event will be administered by the Championship Chair and Event Chair. To contact them see below:

Contact	Email Address	Telephone
Sandra Svoboda National Adult Championship Chair	commodore2026@byc.com	313.574.0645
Roy Lamphier Event Chair, Detroit Yacht Club	<a href="mailto:roy.lamphier@gmail.com">roy.lamphier@gmail.com</a>	248.320.5667
Diana Emmanuelli US Sailing Competition Manager	dianaemmanuelli@ussailing.org	401.342.7961

For more information, visit the US Sailing 2024 Adult Sailing Championship Event site at:  
<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2024-u-s-adult-sailing-championship/>

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**ADDENDUM - A**  
**BORROWED BOAT AND EQUIPMENT RULES**

**B1. Prohibited Items and Actions.**

Except in an emergency or in order to prevent damage or injury, or when directed by OA, RC or PC, the following are prohibited:

1. Any additions, omissions, or alterations to the hull, rudder, mast, boom or other equipment supplied.
2. Using any equipment for a purpose other than that intended or specifically permitted.
3. Replacing any equipment without the sanction of OA.
4. Sailing the boat in a manner that it is reasonable to predict that significant further damage would result.
5. Moving equipment from its normal stowage position except when being used.
6. Boarding a boat without prior permission.
7. Taking a boat from its berth or mooring without having paid the required damage deposit or having permission from the Event Chair or designee, or, on race days, while 'AP' is displayed ashore.
8. Hauling out a boat or cleaning surfaces below the waterline.
9. Attaching lines to the fabric of spinnakers.
10. Perforating sails, even to attach telltales.
11. Adjusting or altering the tension of standing rigging.
12. Using electronic instruments other than watches.
13. Marking directly on the boom, mast, hull, or deck.
14. Using the shrouds (including any inner shrouds) to facilitate tacking or gybing, or to aid the projection of a crewmember outboard.
15. Adjusting tension of the battens.

**B2. Permitted Items and Actions.**

The following are permitted:

1. Taking on board the following equipment:
2. basic hand tools;
3. white or clear adhesive tape;
4. line (elastic or otherwise of 4 mm diameter or less);
5. marking pencils;
6. telltale material;
7. watch, timers, and handheld compass; No Electronic/Digital Compasses are allowed.
8. shackles and clevis pins;
9. Velcro tape;



10. copy of Racing Rules of Sailing, paper and writing utensil;
11. spare flags
12. VHF radio - Per NOR#1.3, all teams must bring and carry their own VHF radio.
13. Using the items in B2(a) only to:
  - a. prevent fouling of lines, sails and sheets;
  - b. attach tell tales;
  - c. prevent sails being damaged or falling overboard;
  - d. mark control settings;
  - e. make minor repairs and permitted adjustments; and
  - f. use the VHF to contact, or receive instructions from, the RC as permitted herein.

### B3. Mandatory Items and Actions

The following are mandatory:

The completion of a written damage report before leaving a boat and submitting it to the Event bosun or his/her designee. Reports must include any evidence of matter which could cause damage or disadvantage to the boat in future matches.

At the end of each sailing day:

rolling, bagging, and placement of the sails as directed, leaving the boat in the same state of cleanliness as when first boarded that day, removing all trash and removing all marks and tape except tape applied to turnbuckles and for chafe protection.

Any request to alter in any way the equipment on a boat must be submitted in writing to the OA and worded to permit a yes/no answer.

A breach of item B3(b) will be considered 'damage' and the cost of rectification will be deducted from the damage deposit.

### B4. Provided Equipment

The following non-fixed items, provided on the boats, are to be carried on board at all times in their designated place while sailing:

Sails and Sailing Equipment:

1. Mainsail with battens
2. Jib with battens
3. Spinnaker
4. Spin Pole
5. Set of spinnaker sheets
6. One set of jib sheets

7. One main sheet
8. Rudder with Tiller and Extension (not to be removed)
9. Halyard Crank

Safety Gear:

1. Anchor with rode (this is also used as a tow line)
2. One paddle
3. One throwable cushion

Loss or damage to any boat, sails or equipment must be immediately reported to the bosun.

B5. Flying Scot Class Rules

This event is not being conducted as a Flying Scot Sailing-sanctioned or class association event.