



2017 RS Feva XL North American Championship

August 3-4, 2017

Hosted by the
Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. RRS 35, A2 and A5 are changed (see below).
- 1.3. RRS Appendix V shall apply
- 1.4. If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions will take precedence.

2. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & FEES

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the RS Feva XL class.
- 2.2. Eligible boats may enter by visiting the event site at yachtscoring.com or indianharboryc.com
- 2.3. Entries must be made before August 2, 2017.
- 2.4. \$225 per boat which includes light breakfast both days, make-your-own lunches and dinner Thursday evening.
- 2.5. No fee for coach(es). Coach meals are complimentary.

3. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 2	1300 – 1700	Boat drop off*
Thursday, August 3	0830 - 1000	Registration & Breakfast
	1000	Competitors' Briefing
	1030	Harbor Start
	1130	First Warning Signal
	1900	Event dinner (approximate)
Friday, August 4	0830 – 0930	Breakfast
	0930	Harbor Start
	1030	First Warning Signal
	1530	No warning signal after this time

* Due to Wednesday night racing absolutely no boat drop off is to occur after 1700 on Wednesday, August 2. Coachboats and Fevas arriving by water or land can be accommodated from 1300-1700. See IHYC contact info below.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be distributed at the competitors briefing and made available online at yachtscoring.com and indianharboryc.com

5. VENUE

Racing will be held south of Little Captain Island on Long Island Sound or inside Captain Harbor.

6. COURSES

Courses will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

7. PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix V shall apply.

8. TIME LIMITS

8.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish will be 45 minutes.

8.2. A boat not finishing within fifteen minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes within the time limit will be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing. This modifies RRS 35, A4 and A5.

9. SCORING

9.1. The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

9.2. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score if six or more races are completed.

9.3. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. Nine races are scheduled.

9.4. Boats scored TLE will receive as a race score points equal to two places more than the last boat that finishes within the time limit.

9.5. The penalty for breaches of JSA disciplinary rules determined in a protest hearing will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than or greater than DSQ for one or more races.

10. LOGISTICS

10.1. See schedule above regarding drop-off times.

10.2. Boats may be kept at IHYC during the regatta. You will be directed to dockage or a mooring by IHYC Marine Staff (VHF 68).

10.3. Trailers may be stored at IHYC for the duration of the regatta beginning Wednesday Aug. 2 (drop off must occur 1200 - 1700 Aug 2.)

10.4. Use of IHYC hoists is not permitted without assistance and approval of IHYC Marine Staff – reachable on VHF 68.

10.5. If planning to use hoists to launch boat(s) – boat must be equipped and rigged to lift from a single point. IHYC does not provide lifting bridles, straps, spreader bars, etc.

10.6. IHYC does not have a powerboat launching ramp.

11. COACHING / SUPPORT BOATS

11.1. Coaches, support personnel and spectators shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the warning signal for the first class until all boats in that class have finished or retired, or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment.

11.2. Coaches and support personnel are required to monitor the designated race committee VHF channel and follow any safety instructions issued by the race committee. The VHF channel to be used will be identified at the Competitors' Meeting and in the Sailing Instructions.

11.3. Any club entering 1 or more boat(s) shall supply a support boat equipped with a working VHF Radio, an anchor and a first aid kit. An instructor, coach and/or other support personnel shall drive the support boat in accordance with JSA rules for JSA events and shall register with the organizing authority at registration.

- 11.4. Spectator and support boats shall stay well clear of the race course area while boats are racing and shall monitor the VHF radio for updates and directives coming from the race committee. Coaching from spectator boats is prohibited. Spectator boats shall not tow competitors (i.e. only coaches tow Fevas).
- 11.5. In no circumstances will competitors be allowed to sail without a designated coach/support boat on the race course.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. Prizes will be awarded for first through third place.
- 12.2. First prizes will be awarded to the top finishing junior boat (both crew aged 13 or under on the 31st December 2017) and top finishing family boat.

13. PERSONAL CONDUCT / SAFETY

- 13.1. All junior sailors and instructors are expected to behave in accordance with recognized principles of sportsmanship, good manners and fair play. The organizing authority may initiate a conduct hearing in accordance with JSA regulations for a junior sailor or instructor for actions that include, but are not limited to, the following:
- 13.2. Swearing at, intimidating or harassing anyone, including teammates, on or off the water.
- 13.3. Stealing or borrowing without permission, anything that does not belong to them.
- 13.4. Possessing, consuming or being under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances, the possession of which is unlawful.
- 13.5. Failure to wear a properly fastened, USCG approved PFD.
- 13.6. Please note that if an instructor is asked to leave a race course, all juniors for whom that instructor is responsible shall leave the race course as well unless other satisfactory supervisory arrangements are made.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Indian Harbor Yacht Club: the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility, and each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Indian Harbor Yacht Club or the JSA, and any of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel manning them is at the risk of the participant.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

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