



NOTICE OF RACE
PEQUOT INVITATIONAL REGATTA
for the
J109 CLASS
August 7-8, 2021



ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

Pegot Yacht Club

(Host of the 2022 J109 North American Championships – October 11-15, 2022)

1. RULES:

The regatta will be governed by:

- a) The rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the J109 Class Rules.
- b) The US Sailing Prescription Appendix V, Rule V1 shall apply.
- c) The US Sailing Prescriptions to rule 63.2 shall not apply.
- d) Class Rule 2.3 is replaced such that ISAF Group 3 competitors are not permitted unless they are the 100% owner of the boat.
- e) To provide maximum flexibility to owners and to encourage young sailors and newcomers, Class Rule 6.1 and 6.2 is replaced such that the maximum number of crew shall not exceed nine and the minimum number of crew shall not be less than five.
- f) Rule 61 is changed to require boats to notify the Race Committee immediately after finishing of their intent to protest.
- g) *The goal for this event is for accessible, fun competition. We encourage new racers to compete. Regular competitors are strongly encouraged to use their “back up” sails for this event. “Race sails” will be encouraged when we host the North American Championships next October, but not this year.*
- h) The responsibility for providing and maintaining a safe and seaworthy vessel rests entirely on the owner. The Organizing Authority suggests but does not require compliance with the following reasonable recommendations:
 - i) US Coast Guard Regulations for Connecticut, Part Four, Safety Equipment, [available here](#).
 - ii) [YRALIS - Position on Safety Equipment](#) is strongly recommended. These recommendations are intended to supplement rather than replace government requirements and the Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. REGATTA WEBSITE:

The official regatta website is located at:

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=14667>

3. ENTRY, FEES AND ELIGIBILITY:

- a) This regatta is open to J109 boats and Class Member owners and drivers who are in good standing with the J109 Class for the current year.
- b) Online entry is required. Paper entries will not be accepted. The entry fee is \$150. Completed entries must be received no later than 1800 on Wednesday, August 4, 2021. Entries received after this date, if accepted, will not include a late fee. Online registration and electronic entry fee payment are available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=14667>
- c) As a condition of entry, the owner (or owner’s representative) and all crew are required to sign the waiver. Go to “Owner’s Corner” or “Crew’s Corner” for the respective waiver forms accessible at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eid=14667>
- d) On the evening of August 7 there will be a BBQ dinner. Drink tickets and dinner tickets are not included in the entry fee and may be purchased on August 7 at the Club prior to dinner. The cost for each dinner ticket is \$16 and the menu is simple: burgers or chicken, a couple sides, and a dessert. A bar will be available once the complimentary refreshments are exhausted.

4. SCHEDULE:

Races for all classes are scheduled for August 7 & 8, 2021. More than one race may be held on any day. The first warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1055 each day.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

Sailing Instructions will be available by 1200 on the day before the first race on the regatta website. Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the regatta website before 2000 on the day before they will take effect. Oral changes may be given on the water and will be communicated over VHF radio on channel 71.

6. VENUE:

Races will be sailed in the waters off Southport Harbor.

7. COURSES:

The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward, or otherwise described in the Sailing Instructions.

8. NOTICES & RADIO COMMUNICATION:

- a) Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels 16, 69, and 71. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio or internet transmissions while racing not available to all boats.
- b) Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board which is located on the regatta website at: <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14667>.
- c) The Race Committee may make courtesy broadcasts on the VHF channel 71 throughout the regatta and at 0930 on race days.

9. SCORING:

Multiple races are scheduled, where one race is required to be completed to constitute a series. A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10. PRIZES:

Series prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place finishers.

11. MOORINGS:

A limited number of moorings are available on a first-come, first served basis. Moorings are free and reservations are essential. Contact Jeff Engborg, General Manager by email (mgr@pequotyc.com) for arrangements. Once in the harbor, contact Launch Service or the Marine Department on VHF Channel 69.

12. APRÈS SAILING & DINNER:

After racing concludes each day, there will be complimentary appetizers and refreshments available on the lawn side of the clubhouse. A BBQ dinner will follow (tickets required: see NOR 3c for more information).

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY & INSURANCE:

By participating in this event and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by Pequot Yacht Club, the owner, helmsman and each crew member agree: that they understand that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of serious bodily injury (including permanent disability, paralysis and death by drowning or otherwise), property damage and other economic loss; that the safety of

the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility and at their own risk, see RRS 3 “Decision to Race”; that Pequot Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and sponsors will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property, or to any participant, including injury or death; and that each of them releases and waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against Pequot Yacht Club and its officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, agents and/or sponsors, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Assistance, if any, from the race committee or other Pequot Yacht Club vessels, or patrol boats, from any personnel manning them, is at the risk of the participant. Each boat shall hold adequate insurance including third-party liability insurance, and it is the owner or owner’s representative’s sole and inescapable responsibility to ensure that the insurance is in place and adequate prior to participating in this event.

14. OTHER DOCUMENTS:

Forms and documents related to this event are located at:
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14667>

15. CONTACT INFORMATION:

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Pequot Yacht Club cordially extends the privileges
of the Clubhouse and harbor to participants during the regatta.