



The Early Bird Regatta

Niantic Bay Yacht Club

Sunday June 4th, 2023

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 A2.1.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted on the **Official Notice Board** and at www.nbyc.org by June 1st, 2023

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. Yacht Scoring (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15890>) 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. The Time-on-Time calculation for PHRF Classes will be ECSA's $650/(550+PHRF)$.
- 4.3. Classes shall be defined by the RC. The scratch sheet will be posted to the **Official Notice Board** and at www.nbyc.org by 2000 hours June 2nd, 2023
- 4.4. A minimum of three (3) entries are required to create a class.
- 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 June 1st, 2023.
- 4.7. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 4.8. Entrants in PHRF classes who do not hold a valid PHRF Eastern Connecticut rating certificate will be assigned rating 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 4th, 2023
- 7.2. Multiple races are possible for any class at the discretion of the Race Committee, but no more than two.
- 7.3. No warning signal will be made after 1500.

8. VENUE

Racing will take place in Niantic Bay, Fisher's Island Sound 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. Marks will be identified in the Sailing Instructions.

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

Regatta Website is Yacht Scoring at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15890>

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