



2024 NEW ENGLAND 100

August 17-18, 2024
Narraganset Bay, Rhode Island

NOTICE OF RACE

1 Organizing Authority

1.1 Narragansett Adult Athletic Sailing Association ([NAASA](#))

2 Rules

2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2.2 Each competing boat shall conform to her Class Rules

2.3 Handicap ratings

2.3.1 For beachcats, US Sailing Portsmouth Yardstick shall be used. Neither crew weight nor wind modifications will be used.

2.3.2 For larger multihulls, NEMA ratings for either ToD or ToT will be used, at the discretion of the Race Committee.

2.4 Class rules regarding minimum crew weight shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2.5 Official documents, including sailing instructions and course descriptions, will be available online only (via [yachtscoring.com](#)). Paper copies will not be provided.

2.6 Radios may be used for the purposes of safety and receiving pertinent race information. Class rules restricting the use of radios for these purposes shall not be grounds for protests by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2.7 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

2.8 Possession and/or consumption of alcohol is not permitted at Fort Adams.

2.9 Vehicle parking is not allowed on the lawn at Fort Adams. All vehicles must be parked in the designated spaces, adjacent to the lawn, or in the paved lot located southwest of the Sail Newport property. (Exception: Trailers may be parked on the lawn for the duration of the regatta.)

3 Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The regatta is open to the following fleets:

- Beach catamarans 16 feet to 22 feet in length, PN 65 or less
- Multihulls larger than 22 feet with a valid NEMA rating of 110 or less

3.2 A minimum of six (5) paid entries by August 12, 2024 may be required for each eligible fleet, exceptions at the discretion of the Organizing Authority

3.3 No single-handed entries will be permitted.

3.4 On-site check-in and safety inspections are required to complete the beachcat entry process

3.5 Scoring classes will be F18, Portsmouth Open Spinnaker, NEMA

3.6 All competitors shall be current members of NAASA. Each boat entry includes two memberships - additional memberships can be purchased online at [sailnaasa.org/join](#) or on [yachtscoring.com](#)

3.7 Entries shall be submitted online at [yachtscoring.com](#)



3.8 ENTRY DEADLINE: Registration, including payment and completion of waivers, must be completed online no later than August 12, 2024. Late entries may be accepted with advance OA notification.

4 Fees

4.1 Entry fees are \$175 per boat (includes NAASA memberships for 2 sailors per team)

4.2 Additional NAASA memberships may be purchased for \$50 each and are valid for the full 2024 season. NAASA membership includes dinner on Saturday evening.

5 Event Schedule

5.1 One distance race each day for (two) consecutive days

5.2 There will be no on-site registration at this regatta

5.3 Event schedule is as follows:

Day	Time	Event
FRIDAY	1600 - 1815	Safety Inspections
SATURDAY	0730 - 0900	Safety Inspections
	0915	Competitors Meeting
	1100	First Warning Signal
	1830 (est)	Post Race Dinner/Social
SUNDAY	0915	Competitors Meeting
	1100	First Warning Signal
	1600 (est)	Awards

6 Sailing Instructions

6.1 Will be made available online via yachtscoring.com no later than August 12, 2024

7 Courses

7.1 Courses each day will be between 10-50nm depending on forecast conditions. Different courses may be specified for different classes depending on fleet and ratings

7.2 Courses will consist of rounding various islands and government or Race Committee (RC) marks and will require a waterproof chart of Narragansett Bay, upper Mt Hope Bay, Sakonnet River and the Atlantic Ocean off Aquidneck Island.

7.3 Sailors must be able to navigate using charts and a compass or GPS.

7.4 Additional course options may be added no later than 90 minutes prior to each start, based on weather conditions or other factors.

7.5 The final courses to be sailed will be posted onsite, no later than 90 minutes prior to each start (or removal of AP ashore, whichever is later)

8 Safety and Safety Equipment



- 8.1 All competitors will be required to wear a properly secured PFD at all times, from the time the boat leaves the shore to the time the boat returns to the shore, unless temporarily adding or removing clothing
- 8.2 All competitors acknowledge that by entering this regatta they are competent enough to self rescue themselves from any situation. Behave as if there are no RC safety boats for this event.
- 8.3 Competitors are reminded that Narragansett Bay is a restricted channel and sailing vessels do not have the right of way over a vessel under power who may be restricted in her ability to maneuver.
- 8.4 Safety Equipment
 - 8.4.1 All boats shall carry all safety equipment as required by their class and/or fleet rules.
 - 8.4.2 A boat may be inspected at any time during the regatta for compliance with these requirements.
 - 8.4.3 Each beachcat is required to pass an onsite Safety Equipment Verification prior to racing.
 - 8.4.4 All beachcat competitors shall wear high-vis rash guards (as outer layer) while racing.
 - 8.4.5 Required beachcat Safety Equipment (in addition to class-required equipment):

On each sailor	1 whistle, 1 knife, 1 PFD, 1 high-vis rash guard
On each boat	Waterproof chart(s) of the entire race area
	Waterproof flashlight (separate from a cell phone)
	Compass and/or GPS
	VHF and/or cell phone. It is strongly recommended that each sailor carry a waterproof VHF and personal beacon on their person

9 Prizes

- 9.1 Fleet prizes will be awarded based upon participation.
- 9.2 The New England 100 perpetual trophy will be awarded to the top finisher in the Overall Portsmouth (Spinnaker) class.

10 Advertising

- 10.1 Advertising is permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20 and the applicable class rules.
- 10.2 Boats may be required to display event advertising supplied by the organizing authority.

11 Media Rights

- 11.1 Competitors and volunteers give absolute right and permission for video footage and photographs of themselves and/or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial, or advertising purposes.

12 Insurance



12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event.

13 Disclaimer of Liability

13.1 By participating in this regatta and any related activity sponsored or undertaken by NAASA originating at Sail Newport or elsewhere, 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 NAASA or Sail Newport, and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents 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 NAASA, Sail Newport and its volunteers, officers, trustees, members, committees, employees, sponsors or agents arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity.

14 Further Information

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