

2016 TRAINING REGATTA

NEWPORT



NOTICE OF RACE

May 21-22, 2016 Hosted by Sail Newport

1. Authority / Venue / Purpose

- 1.1 The North American Melges 20 Class Manager is the Organizing Authority (OA) and Sail Newport (SN) is the Host. The purpose of the event is to increase skill sets of participating Melges 20 teams through shared information, while having fun on- and off-the-water.
- 1.2 Launching, dockage, trailer storage and hauling will all be completed at Sail Newport. Any fees from Sail Newport will be separate from the entry fee.
- 1.3 Websites:

IM20CA: www.melges20.com

Yachtscoring: www.yachtscoring.com

2. RULES

- 2.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and additional rules as discussed during the opening briefing on Friday afternoon.
- 2.3 The regatta will be unsanctioned. Teams will not need to declare sails, coaching is only allowed between races, crew members may swap at anytime between races, etc.
- 2.4 Each boat shall carry a radio capable of transmitting and receiving VHF channels.

3. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

3.1 The Melges 20 Newport Training Regatta is open to all sailors who are able to get their hands on a Melges 20. Class Membership is not required to participate in this event.

- 3.2 Charter Opportunities – Charter boats are available on a limited basis. Teams interested in chartering are encouraged to contact North American Melges 20 Class Manager Sam Rogers - sam.rogers42@gmail.com
- 3.3 Teams may register for the Training Regatta via Yachtscoring. Any teams planning to attend are encouraged to sign up early and encourage more entries.

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- 4.1 The entry fee for the training event is \$150 which is payable through Yachtscoring.
- The entry fee will cover the PRO/Fleet Coach, and other costs associated 4.2 with running races.

5. **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday, May 20

Launching: 0900 - 1700Yo Momma Practice Races: 1430 - 1630 Skippers Meeting/Opening Party: 1830

Saturday, May 21

First Warning Signal 1100 Additional race(s) to follow ASAP

Post-Race de-brief @ SN

Sunday, May 22

First Warning Signal 1000 Additional race(s) to follow ASAP

No Warning Signal after 1330

Awards Ceremony TBD After Racing

As many races as possible are scheduled with a goal of 15 races for the weekend.

6. COURSES

The course to be sailed will be a windward / leeward configuration. Additional courses may be sailed.

7. **SCORING**

The Low Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply. There will be no throw-outs, and the final race of the series will be worth double points.

8. **PRIZES**

The top 3 boats overall will receive prizes.

9. COACH AND SUPPORT BOATS

Coaching will be allowed in-between races. Any individual coaches are encouraged to assist as many teams as possible, help at the daily debriefs and assist the PRO/Fleet Coach with moving marks, etc.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY 10.

Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers include the Organizing Authority (AM20CA), or official who will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of practice for or participation in this event during shore-side or on-the-water activities. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

11. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please contact:

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Sail Newport Dockage Reservations, Vinnie Patavina Vinnie@Sailnewport.org