



NOTICE OF RACE

2019 J/Fest New England
August 10th and 11th, 2019
Sail Newport
Newport, RI

1. RULES

- The organizing authority is Sail Newport.
- The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- The protest committee may impose a penalty other than a DSQ for breaking of a rule of part 2, which may include a warning. This changes rule 64.1.
- The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- Boats shall conform to the US Safety Equipment Requirements published by US Sailing for the "US Nearshore" racing category.

2. ELIGIBILITY

- The regatta is open to all J/Boats. Expected one-design classes include J/22, J/24, J/29, J/30, J/35, J/40, J/44, J/70, J/80, J/88, J/92/S, J/100, J/105, J/109, J/111, J/120, J/122, J/PHRF Spin (Symmetrical), J/PHRF Spin (Asymmetrical), and J/Cruise.
- One design classes require a minimum of 5 boats. Division splits and class selections may be adjusted at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- All one design classes without the sufficient number of boats are invited to participate in the J/PHRF (W/L) or J/Cruise (Distance) classes. Boats racing in these classes will require a current PHRF-NB rating certificate. To obtain a PHRF-NB rating please visit www.phrf-nb.org.
- This is the J/109 Class East Coast Championship. Please refer to appendix 1 for the J/109 East Coast Championship NOR addendum.

3. ENTRY PROCEDURES & FEES

- Participants must register online at <http://www.yachtscore.com/emenu.cfm?eID=6189>
- Registration opens January 14th, 2019.
- Regular registration deadline is 1700 hours on July 8th, 2019 for all classes. Late registration deadline is 1700 hours on August 7th, 2019
- The Entry Fees are as listed below:
 - \$75 for PHRF cruising class (Sunday Only)
 - \$125 for J/22s, J/70s and J/24s
 - \$150 for all other classes

****Registration must be paid by the regular registration deadline. Payments made after the regular registration deadline will be subject to the late entry fee****

- i. The Late Entry fee is \$50 in addition to the regular entry fee.
- ii. There will be no refunds once Late Registration begins.
- iii. The Entry Fee is payable on yachtscore.com.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY August 9th

1500-1930

Check-In, Welcome Party and local knowledge event at Sail Newport

SATURDAY August 10th

1100

First warning signal all circles (Not including PHRF Cruising- Sunday Only)

1700-2000

Dinner and cocktail party at Sail Newport (***Tickets purchased separately***)

SUNDAY August 11th

1100

First warning signal all circles

1500

No warning signal after this time

****Awards and cocktail party as soon as possible after racing at Sail Newport****

5. RACING

- The intended format for J/Fest New England is multiple races each day running from race circles in Rhode Island Sound and Narragansett Bay. The location of the circles will be assigned by the Organizing Authority based on weather conditions. An announcement will be made at 0900 on Saturday and Sunday with the location of the race circles via the VHF radio channel designated in the Sailing Instructions.
- Regarding J/22 racing, limited NON Class Legal J/22 charters are available from Sail Newport to sail in a separately scored J/22 division or cruising division. Please refer to their website for additional details.
- Racing in all circles will include drop mark and government mark courses. A 16-20 mile distance race may be sailed on one of the two days.
- Classes with a dedicated start or scored as a one design class may also have rules specific to that class.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available at the skipper's meeting and will be posted on the regatta website Monday, August 5th, 2019.

7. SCORING

- The Low Point Scoring system shall apply except that a boat's series score will be the total of her races scores and no scores will be excluded. This modifies rule A2 and A4.
- Awards will be presented to the top third of each class, up to five. PHRF scoring will use time on distance (TOD) scoring.

8. WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND MEDIA

All competitors will be required to sign a waiver of liability provided by Sail Newport on the Yacht Scoring website. This waiver is for skippers and their crew. If this waiver is not signed, the boat will be ineligible to compete.

9. DOCKAGE & MOORINGS

Please contact Nick Mauprivez at Nick.Mauprivez@sailnewport.org for information regarding dockage for the event.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

- Further information may be found at the Sail Newport Website <http://www.sailnewport.org/> and the J/Fest New England Website <http://jfestnewengland.com>.
- Please contact the Sail Newport regatta manager Matt Duggan at Matt.Duggan@sailnewport.org or (401) 846-1983 for more information.

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