

25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



## 2023 IOM USA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REGATTA

NOTICE OF RACE

**November 16<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>**

Hosted by

Mill Creek Radio Sailing @ Youth Sailing Virginia

HAMPTON VA 23651

### **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**

The 2023 IOM USA National Championship Regatta is organized by Mill Creek Radio Sailing, with the approval from American Model Yachting Association **AMYA**, International One Metre National Class Association **IOMUSA**.

### **1. RULES AND GOVERNANCE:**

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS) as changed by Appendix E, the current applicable Heat Management System (HMS)
- 1.2. No US Sailing Prescriptions apply except Appendix R and prescriptions to rules 60.3, 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), 76.1.

### **2. CHANGE TO RULE:**

- 2.1. 90.3(e) Replace "24 hours" with "5 minutes".

### **3. COVID HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS:**

3.1. The publication of this NOR and its contents is subject to any restrictions or changes that may be required due to the imposition of Covid-19 Government Guidance. This may include limiting entries (early entries would have priority) or cancellation of the event. Our primary concern is the health and safety of our competitors, race officials, volunteers, guests, and all involved coming together for a regional level event. As such our Covid Concerns and Regatta safety practices, the O.A. will obey CDC guidelines or State guidelines as required.

### **4. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION:**

- 4.1. All boats shall be checked by technical committee prior to racing in this event.
- 4.2. All Equipment shall be inspected by technical committee before racing this event.
- 4.3. The Race Committee may extend the time for registration and inspection if there is a valid reason to do so.

4.4. No boat shall be eligible to race until it has been registered and has passed equipment inspection.

4.5. At the discretion of the O.A., checks of randomly selected boats to ensure that they comply with class rules may be conducted during the event.

#### **5. FREQUENCIES:**

5.1. No frequency conflicts will be allowed.

5.2. Permitted frequency bands are FCC-approved surface bands. Transmitters on 75 MHz must be narrow band certified. Radio frequencies will be allocated on a “first come first served” basis. Each competitor is required to have a minimum of three (3) additional frequencies available.

5.3. 2.4 GHZ radios are permitted and are exempt from RRS E2.4.

#### **6. RISK STATEMENT:**

RRS 3 states: “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.” Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in any of the events covered by this NOR, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

6.1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event whether afloat or ashore.

6.2. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.

6.3. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.

6.4. The provision of a race management team, patrol boats, umpires and other officials and volunteers by the organizer does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

6.5. The provision of rescue boat cover is limited to such assistance, particularly in extreme weather conditions, as can be practically provided in the circumstances.

#### **7. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:**

7.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the IOM class with valid certificate.

7.2. Competitors must be in good standing with their NCA. For USA NCA members, AMYA membership is required for this event.

7.3. Each competitor shall proof of current AMYA or their National Authority membership or pay the AMYA annual fee of \$50.00 at our regatta check in.

7.4. If any of the above are not available at the event, but a competitor claims that they exist, the competitor shall sign a declaration to that effect and send a copy of the missing document to the Race Committee within seven days of the end of the event.

#### **8. REGISTRATION AND FEES:**

8.1. The event fee per boat is \$240.00 and \$40.00/guest

8.2. Entry form and fees must be submitted no later than November 10th. There is no refund after November 10<sup>th</sup>.

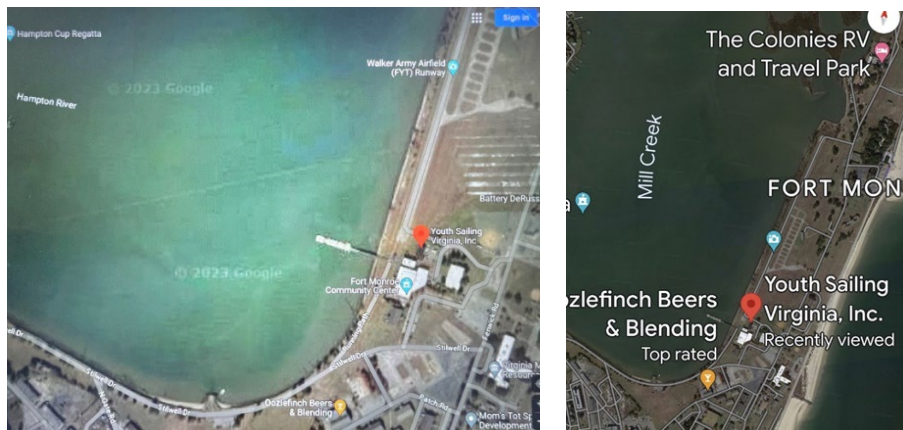
8.3. Use the URL: <https://www.iomusa.org/2023-iomncr-entry-form> or contact regatta organizer for different arrangement.

8.4. The fee includes daily lunches & beverages, trophies, race management, giveaways, PayPal fee, and USA IOM NCA class fee of US20.00 per skipper per ranking event.

**9. VENUE:**

Youth Sail Virginia, located at 381 Fenwick Rd, Hampton, VA 23651

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**10. SCHEDULE**

Day/Date	Time	Activity
<b>Wed, NOV 15<sup>th</sup></b>	1000 – 1700	Check in, equipment inspection
	1100 – 1600	Practice day
<b>Thurs, NOV 16<sup>th</sup></b>	830 – 1000	Check in, equipment inspection
	1010	Skipper’s Meeting
	1030	Open Waters
	1100	First scheduled warning
	1700	No warning after this time or at OA’s description
<b>Fri, NOV 17<sup>th</sup></b>	930	Open Waters
	1000	First scheduled warning
	1700	No warning after this time or at OA’s description
<b>Sat, NOV 18<sup>th</sup></b>	930	Open Waters
	1000	First scheduled warning
	1700	No warning after this time or at OA’s description
<b>Sun, NOV 19<sup>th</sup></b>	930	Open Waters
	1000	First scheduled warning
	1430	No warning after this time or at OA’s description
	1600	Awards and Closing Ceremony

**11. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

11.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available for download at [www.iomusa.org](http://www.iomusa.org).

**12. SCORING AND RACING SYSTEM:**

12.1. The Regatta shall be raced and scored under the current Heat Management System (HMS).

12.2. Five races are required to be completed to constitute the championship.

12.3. Boats finishing in an incorrect heat will not be allowed to sail in their assigned heat for that race and will be scored DNS for their correct heat.

**13. RACE STAFF:**

Regatta Chairman: Derek Landeau

Principal Race Officer: Fred Rocha

Technical Chairman: Steve Landeau

Protest Chairman: TBD

Registration: [iomusa.org](http://iomusa.org)

Regatta Info please contact Derek Landeau @ [dereklandeau@gmail.com](mailto:dereklandeau@gmail.com)

**14. PERSONAL SAIL NUMBERS:**

14.1. Personal Sail Numbers will take precedence if numbering conflicts arise until 30 days prior to the skipper's meeting.

**15. FOOD:**

15.1. Lunch and beverage will be served on racing days. Since we anticipate multiple heats, lunch will be available during one of the heats you are not sailing in.

**16. AWARDS:**

16.1. Top 5 finishers - Corinthian's Trophy – Fair Player Trophy

**17. ACCOMMODATIONS:**

17.1. Many hotels and Airbnb's are within 12km radius distance from the sailing site. RV and camp site less than 1 mile from the sailing site.

**18. RIGHTS to APPEAL:**

18.1. Denial of the right of appeal, subject to rule 70.

**19. COMPETITORS WITH DISABILITY:**

19.1. Competitors that require any form of help or specific requirements should, prior to entry, contact the club contact given in Section 13 to check if the club is able to help with the provision of any such specific requirements. The onus is on the competitor to establish whether the available facilities are adequate before deciding to enter the event.

**20. MEDIA RIGHTS:**

20.1. Competitors, owners of the boats agree to allow use of pictures and videos of persons and boats during the regatta in media, including commercials, press materials and all other promotional activities and press releases, unless it is notified by writing before submitting entry to the O.A.

([chairman@iomusa.org](mailto:chairman@iomusa.org))

**20. CONDUCT:**

20.1. The PRO, all race officials and observers have been directed to record any incidents, which will be dealt with to the full extent available to the Protest Committee. Penalties available to the Protest Committee include exclusion from the race in question or subsequent races, exclusion from the regatta, or other action within the Committee's authority.

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**22. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:**

22.1. All those entering or taking part in this Championship do so at their own risk and responsibility. Youth Sailing Virginia, City of Hampton, IOMUSA, AMYA, Mill Creek Radio Sailing (AMYA#413), regatta staff & race officers, and or any other parties involved in the organization of this event refuse all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury, or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and on the water, because of entering or participating in the event covered by the official Notice of Race. At all times, the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves including the decision to participate or continue shall rest with the competitors and participants. By entering this event, it is deemed that you accept these conditions. Competitors and participants are advised to ensure that they have adequate insurance that provides coverage for public liability and their injury in the Country and County of this event.

22.2. On submitting entry form, the competitor representing his/her NCA agrees to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all rules that govern this event.