



NOTICE OF RACE

**2016 U.S. 29er National
Championships Regatta
Hosted by
Sail Newport (Newport, RI)
June 27-30, 2016**



1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

- 1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) for this event is Sail Newport, Inc. which is located at 60 Fort Adams Drive, Newport, RI 02840 USA.

2. RULES

- 2.1. The regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 2.2. While aboard their boat, except briefly when changing clothes, competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard or International 29er Class Rules compliant personal floatation device (PFD). Flag Y will not be displayed. This changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS and RRS 40.
- 2.3. RRS G3 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS will be in effect.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all members of the International 29er Class sailing the 29er boat.
- 3.2. Entries must be completed at the event website located at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/12016> between March 1, 2016 and the close of entry 1700 EST June 27, 2016.
- 3.3. An boat and competitors will be considered entered when:
 - 3.3.1. All entry details are complete
 - 3.3.2. Payment of Entry Fee has been verified
 - 3.3.3. Payment of 2016 International 29er Class Association dues have been verified
 - 3.3.4. Both skipper and crew have presented themselves at the Check-In desk, to be located at the Mule Barn, during one of the Check-In periods listed in NOR 5.
 - 3.3.5. Both skipper and crew have submitted a completed Waiver Form at the Check-In desk. The form is available at the event website noted above.
 - 3.3.6. Competitor's equipment has been given an "OK to compete" by the equipment inspection committee.

4. FEES

- 4.1. The entry fee is US\$225 per boat for entries received on or before 2400 EST June 1, 2016 and US\$300 thereafter.
- 4.2. The entry fee provides skipper and crew T-shirts

5. SCHEDULE

- 5.1. Ten races are scheduled
- 5.2. There will be no practice race or qualifying series
- 5.3. The schedule of events is as follows (all times in 24 hour format, EST)

Monday, June 27, 2016

1200 to 1700

Check-In and Equipment Inspection

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

0900 to 1000

Check-In and Equipment Inspection

1000

Competitors meeting

1200

First Warning Signal of the day

1800

29er Class Annual General Meeting

SCHEDULE, CONTINUED

Wednesday, June 29, 2016

1000 Competitors meeting
1130 First Warning Signal of the day

Thursday, June 30, 2016

1000 Competitors meeting
1130 First Warning Signal of the day
1500 No further Warning Signals shall be made
ASAP Prize giving

6. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 6.1. Competitors shall present their 29er boat and sails in relatively dry condition and racing configuration for inspection during one of the Equipment Inspection periods listed in NOR 5.
- 6.2. Boats may be inspected for class rules compliance at any time during the regatta.
- 6.3. Only one set of sails and one forestay shall be used throughout the regatta.
- 6.4. Sail numbers must comply with class rules and ISAF regulations.
- 6.5. For any measurement/inspection questions pre-regatta, please contact John Papadopoulos - jakp@mindspring.com

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at the Check-In desk during the periods listed in NOR 5 or online at the event website listed above.

8. VENUE AND COURSES

- 8.1. All on shore activities will occur at the facilities of Sail Newport, Inc which is located at the facilities of Sail Newport located at 60 Fort Adams Drive, Newport, RI 02840 USA.
- 8.2. The racing venue will be on the waters of Narragansett Bay surrounding Fort Adams State Park
- 8.3. The courses to be sailed will be windward-leeward in configuration using movable marks
- 8.4. The race target time will be thirty (30) minutes.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

10. SCORING

- 10.1. Three (3) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2. When fewer than six (6) races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) or more races are completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, excluding her worst score.

11. FACILITIES

- 11.1. See Appendix A for a map of the venue
- 11.2. Competitors shall store their boats on the grounds of Sail Newport for the duration of this event.
- 11.3. Competitor boats shall be launched at the beach adjacent to the Mule Barn. Competitors shall provide their own boat launch/storage dolly.
- 11.4. On-site parking of boat trailers is provided
- 11.5. On-site parking of automobiles is provided
- 11.6. On-site Coach and Spectator boat launch ramp and center point hoists are available. See NOR 12.
- 11.7. On-site Coach and Spectator boat moorage is available. See NOR 12 and contact the OA for details.

12. COACH AND SPECTATOR BOATS

- 12.1. See Appendix A for a map of the venue
- 12.2. Coach and spectator boats may launch at the free public boat ramp located at the south end of the Mule Barn
- 12.3. Coach and spectator boats may dock at the Alofsin Piers for the duration of the regatta, June 27 – 30 free of charge. Dockage before or after the event must be contracted in advance with Sail Newport. Contact Vincent Pattavina at vinnie@sailnewport.org for further information.
- 12.4. Two (2) and Three (3) ton center-point hoists are available at the rate of US\$25 per use (US\$50 round-trip) to coaches and parents of competitors. No lifting apparatus (straps, bridles, or frames) are offered.

- 12.5. All coaches and spectators intending to operate boats near the racing venue must register with the OA, at which time they shall provide boat registration/documentation and proof of insurance for the boat(s) they intend to use.
- 12.6. Coach and spectator boats shall be marked with neon green flags.
- 12.7. All coach and spectator boats shall provide their own VHF radio and monitor a VHF channel designated by the Race Committee (RC) in order to receive instructions from the RC while in the vicinity of the racing venue. All such boats shall additionally function as Safety Boats and follow instructions from the RC.
- 12.8. Failure to register, failure to monitor the designated VHF channel, or failure to abide by instructions may result in operating restrictions being placed up on the coach, spectator, or their boat(s) during the regatta.
- 12.9. When races are underway, coach and spectator boats shall remain out of the racing area, unless serving as a safety boat or on instructions from the RC.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1. Prizes will be awarded to the following:
- 13.2. The top five (5) teams
- 13.3. The top USA team (both skipper and crew residents of the USA) – the US 29er National Champions.
- 13.4. The top junior team (both skipper and crew under nineteen (19) years of age on December 31, 2016).
- 13.5. The top all-female team.

14. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

- 14.1. Competitors entered in the regatta accept that they may be photographed and/or videotaped participating in the racing and/or using Sail Newport facilities and they consent to the taking of such images and to the use/reuse, publication and republication of such images in any media, in conjunction with the competitors name or not without compensation and without the competitors' approval of such images or any use thereof.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 15.1. Competitors compete in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4 Decision to Race.
- 15.2. The OA does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1. For information about 29er Class Association related matters including equipment inspection, class rules and class dues, contact US 29er Class Association President John Papadopoulos at jakp@mindspring.com or (949) 466-0888 (PST)
- 16.2. For information about 29er charter boats, visit <http://www.zimsailing.com/charters/> or (401) 237-6117.
- 16.3. For all other information, contact: Vincent Pattavina, Regatta Manager at Sail Newport, at vinnie@sailnewport.org or (401) 846-1983 x125 (EST)

Appendix A – Venue

