

2015 West River Spring Regatta

April 25-26

NOTICE OF RACE

Rev. 3/19/2015

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, together with the rules of the participating classes and any additional sailing instructions to be issued at the competitors' meeting.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the International 505, A-Class catamaran, Nacra 20/F18 catamaran, and F16 catamaran classes. The F18 and Nacra 20 classes will be treated as one combined class with no handicap between them.

- 2.2 Registration:

Regular Online registration ends at midnight on Wednesday, April 22:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=10051

After online registration closes, a late registration fee will be charged for late on-site registration, see below.

3 FEES

- 3.1 Required fees are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Fee</u>
A-Cat and single-handed F16	\$50 includes one (1) Saturday dinner
505, Nacra 20/F18, and double-handed F16	\$70 includes two (2) Saturday dinners
US Sailing member discount	\$5
Late (on-site) registration add	\$10
Extra dinner	\$16 per person

Refunds will be made, minus a 10% fee, prior to the close of onsite registration.

4 FOOD AND BEVERAGES

Please support our new catering service; they have been providing very tasty food at another local sailing club for years and have done a great job for us so far this year. Food will be available for purchase Saturday and Sunday morning and Sunday afternoon. Saturday dinner(s) are included for the racers in the registration fee and extra dinners are available for purchase, as outlined above.

A cash bar will be available after racing Saturday and Sunday.

Please note that alcoholic beverages must be obtained from the bar as a condition of our liquor license.

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Saturday

- 0830 Late registration (on-site) opens in the clubhouse
- 0915 Late registration (on-site) closed
- 0930 Competitors' meeting (at flagpole or inside if raining)

First Warning Signal:

- 1100 Catamaran classes
- 1200 (noon) International 505 Class

The Race Committee (RC) will announce the order of starts for the first race at the competitors' meeting.

5.2 Sunday

- 1030 First warning signal for all classes
- 1430 No races will start after this time

Awards to follow racing

5.3 Number of Races:

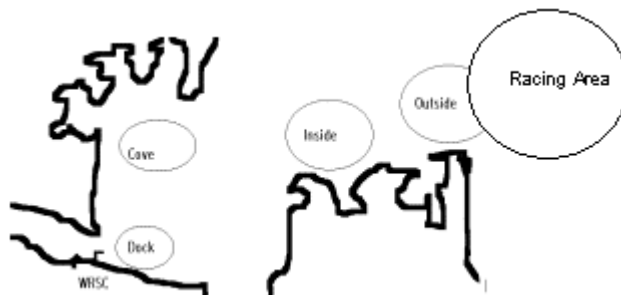
There is no limit to the number of races. The committee will attempt to maximize racing for the conditions available.

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS / COMPETITORS' MEETING

Sailing Instructions will be posted online at Regatta Networks by Friday at 9 AM and posted on the Official Notice board. A limited number of hard copies will be available at the onsite registration table. A competitors' meeting to review any amendments Posted to the Notice Board will be held on Saturday. See schedule above for time.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The venue shall be finalized by the RC on race day. WRSC typically races on the West River or on the west side of the bay just outside of the river entrance.



8 THE COURSE

The courses will be windward-leeward, twice around, with course length set for a race duration of about 30-60 minutes, or as described at the competitor's meeting.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 The penalties are as follows: Rule 44 of RRS
- 9.2 For the catamaran classes (Nacra 20/F18, F16 and A Class) rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.
- 9.3 Decisions of the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4. Protest Forms will be available at the bar. The time limit for filing protests is one hour after the RC returns to the dock. Protests are to be delivered to the PRO to be time stamped.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 The scoring system is as follows Low Point Scoring System found in Appendix A.
- 10.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.3 (a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
- (b) When 5 to 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- (c) When 12 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.

11 SUPPORT BOATS

Support boats shall be marked with the letters WRSC or as described at the competitor's meeting.

12 CHECK-IN

Before starting their first race of the day, all competitors shall sail astern the starting boat, give their sail number and be acknowledged by the RC. Any competitor who leaves the race area before the completion of racing shall attempt to notify the RC before leaving the race area.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones, but does not apply to communication received or transmitted to request or render assistance to a vessel in distress or to notify RC that a competitor is leaving the race area.

14 PRIZES

For each class, prizes will be given to the first place finisher out of 3 entries or less, second place out 6 entries or less, and third place for classes with 7 or more entries.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will 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 NOTICE BOARD

Scores and Official notices will be posted on the back window of the clubhouse.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact Constantine Seremetis at mail@seremetis.com or 202-363-8020.