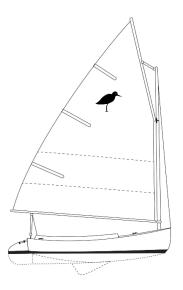
Sandpiper National Championship Regatta

September 21 – 23, 2017

The 2017 National Championship of the Sandpiper Class will be held September 21-23. Regatta headquarters will be the Duxbury Yacht Club located in Duxbury, MA with racing on Duxbury Bay. The Organizing Authorities are the Sandpiper Class Association and the Duxbury Yacht Club.



NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescriptions of US Sailing, the rules of the Sandpiper Class Association, and this Notice of Race, except as any of these are changed by the Sailing Instructions or any appendices to the Sailing Instructions.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

- **2.1 CLASS** The regatta is open to all boats of the Sandpiper Class that conform to the rules of the Sandpiper Class Association.
- **2.2 ENTRY** -Competitors shall enter in advance by going online at the US Sailing Regatta Network website. Early Entry opens May 1, 2017 and ends Sept 1, 2017. After that time a \$50.⁰⁰ late entry fee will be assessed. Regatta Registration/Entry closes at 0900 on Thursday, September 21, 2017.
- **2.3 CLASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP** All skippers at this regatta will be required to be Full Members of the Sandpiper Class Association. A Full Member is an owner or partial-owner of a Marshall Marine Sandpiper. Associate Members, at the discretion of the Sandpiper Class Association Council, may be allowed to skipper in this event.
- **2.4 AGE** The regatta is open to competitors of all ages. Competitors under the age of 18 may, at the discretion of the OA, be required to submit a completed Waiver of Liability signed by his/her parent or guardian.

2.5 CREW -The minimum number of crew is two including skipper. There is no maximum number of crew. The same crew must sail in all races of the regatta. If a crewmember is not able to continue racing, a substitute may be allowed by petition to the Race Committee.

3. FEES

3.1 The entry fee for the regatta is \$200.⁰⁰ per boat (skipper and one crew member). The entry fee includes lunch each race day, Thursday dinner, and Friday dinner.

3.2 Additional crewmembers can be added at \$100.⁰⁰ each. Spouses, family and friends of competitors will be able to attend the evening events for a per event charge to be listed on the registration form.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1 REGISTRATION -Registration for this regatta will open on Wednesday, September 20 from 1500-1900 and close at 0900 Thursday, September 21.

4.2 EQUIPMENT CHECK - Equipment checks will take place as part of the registration process.

4.3 DATES OF RACING -

Thursday, September 21:

0900: Skippers meeting, end of late registration

1100: Harbor Start

1200: First Warning (Lunch on the water)

1800: Bar-B-Q

Friday, September 22:

1130: Harbor Start

1230: First Warning (Lunch on the water)

1800: Regatta Dinner

Saturday, September 23:

1200: Harbor Start

1300: First Warning (Lunch on the water)

1900: Awards at Duxbury Yacht Club

Saturday and Sunday, September 23-24:

De-rig and departure

4.4 On all days of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1 MOORING/DOCK SPACE There will be sufficient dock/mooring for all boats and land storage for all competing boat trailers at Duxbury YC.

5.2 CHARTERS – Competitors are encouraged to bring their own boats. A limited number of charter boats may be available. The Regatta Chairman can provide the contact information for the charter coordinator upon request.

5.3 EQUIPMENT CHECK – All boats must complete a Required Equipment check at registration in which they will be required to show proof of each item on a Required Equipment list including towline of at least 30', bilge pump, bucket, paddle, suitable anchor and anchor line, whistle, life vests for each crewmember, and a VHF radio.

5.4 SAIL MEASUREMENT – All sails used in this regatta will be subject to a Class Association compliance check at any point before, during or after the regatta.

5.5 RESPONSIBILITY – Each competitor will be responsible for ensuring their boat is in compliance with the Sandpiper Class Association Rules.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions (SI's) will be available at registration and on the regatta website.

7. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to competitors placing first through third. The Sandpiper National Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta.

8. FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact Regatta Chairman Charlie Clapp, cecx3@hotmail.com or cell:617-823-1318 - or check the regatta website for further information.

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