





North American Sailing Championship October 9-11, 2021

Organizing Authority: Potomac River Sailing Association (PRSA) and the United States Albacore Association (USAA)

Alexandria, Virginia

Official Website: **US Albacore Association**

NOTICE OF REGATTA

- **1. Rules**: This regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* for 2020-2024, the prescriptions of the US Sailing Association, and the rules of the United States Albacore Association, except as any of these are altered by this notice, and by the sailing instructions.
- **2. Eligibility and Entry**: All boats must be helmed by a full or associate member of the United States Albacore Association or any other national Albacore Association.
- **3. Number and Schedule of Races:** Several races may be sailed on any day at the discretion of the race committee (no upper limit). The warning signal for the first race each day scheduled as indicated below:

Sat. Oct. 9th 1030 Skippers Meeting: 1200 Warning Signal for Race 1, other races to follow

Sun. Oct. 10th 1100 Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Mon. Oct. 11th 1000 Warning Signal for 1st race of the day, other races to follow.

Awards immediately following racing on Monday. No warning signal after 1400 on Monday October 11th.

4. Social and Registration Schedule

Fri. Oct. 8th 1700 – 2000 Check-in, Late Registration, and Measurements at PRSA

Sat. Oct. 9th 0830 – 1000 Check-in, Late Registration, and Measurements at PRSA

Sat. Oct. 9th 1800 <u>Pizza Dinner per invitation of USAA for all registered participants.</u> Extra tickets for guests required (\$15.00)

Sun. Oct. 10th 1900 Dinner @ Hard Times Cafe, 1404 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314 Order on your own.

- **5. Launching:** Ramp launching or three 3 point crane lifts
- **6. Advance Registration: Online registration required.** Sailors should register in advance by completing the online registration form at <u>Albacore North Americans Registration</u> on Regatta Network.
- **7. Fees (US Dollars):** The Regatta Registration fee is \$100.00 if paid by October 1. The Regatta Registration Fee is \$110.00 if paid after October 1.

8. Measurement: All boats must be accompanied by a valid measurement certificate with a current buoyancy endorsement. All boats must comply with the rules and regulations for this event

No provision will be made for issuing new measurement certificates or endorsements at the regatta.

All measurements must be completed in advance of the event.

- **9. Safety Equipment**: Each boat must carry safety equipment according to US Coast Guard Regulations (1 PFD per person, sound signal, paddle, bailer). In addition, each boat must carry on board during the regatta a line, suitable for towing, at least 1/4" x 30 feet in length.
- **10. Sailing Instructions:** Sailing instructions will be available at the check-in/late registration table and may be posted online by Oct 1, 2021 at <u>Albacore North Americans</u> and the U.S. Albacore Association Facebook (<u>@albacoreracing</u>) page. SIs will govern in case of any inconsistency with this NOR.
- **11. Scoring:** The low point system of Appendix A of the RRS will apply. Completion of at least one race shall constitute a series.

One race will be dropped if 5 or more races are sailed.

- **12. Crew Changes:** Crew changes during an event may not be made unless permission is granted by the organizing committee in advance.
- 13. Awards: There will be awards for the Presidents Fleet (top three finishers) and the Challenger Fleet (new sailor/entry in NAs or top of the bottom half of the fleet.)
- North American President's Trophy Winner of the Presidents Fleet
- North American Challenge Trophy Winner of the Challenger Fleet
- North American Senior Trophy Top boat with combined crew age > 110 years*
- North American Top woman helm*
- North American Top Junior* Top helm 22 years or under as of last day of racing
- Endurance Award Lowest placing boat that finishes every race in the President's Fleet
- Most Improved Helm since 2018 North Americans

*Winners of top awards in the President's Fleet may not be eligible.

14. Social Events:

Saturday, Oct. 6th, 6:00pm at at the Washington Sailing Marina (weather permitting): Happy Hour followed by Pizza Dinner

Sunday, Oct. 7th, 7:00pm, at Hard Times Cafe, 1404 King St, Alexandria, VA 22314. USAA Annual General Meeting

15. Further Information: visit <u>@albacoreracing</u> or <u>USAA Website</u> OR contact Nich Allen at 443-783-0223 (<u>nrallen23@gmail.com</u>) or Marty Minot at 434-401-4698 (<u>mrminot@gmail.com</u>)