

2023 OD SPRING SERIES

Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The organizing authority is Fishing Bay Yacht Club (FBYC).
- 1.2 Races are governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing - 2021-2024*, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions which will take precedence.
- 1.3. The sailing instructions will be posted online at www.fbyc.net on the event Regatta Network (RN) site *no later than* 0800 the day of the event.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 OD Spring Series will have separate starts and scoring for One Design fleets with 3 or more like boats.
- 2.2 Classes with fewer than 3 boats sailing on any race day will be started and scored together as a Portsmouth class. When fewer than three Portsmouth boats participate, they may start with a pre-designated One Design fleet and be scored against that fleet using the Portsmouth scoring system. One Design scoring and results will be unto themselves and unaffected by the Portsmouth participant(s)..
- 2.3 Scores for boats sailing in Portsmouth class will not be counted towards Series scoring.
- 2.4 If fewer than 3 boats participate in any event, there will be no regatta or scores for that day.
- 2.5 OD Spring Series events require online registration on the Regatta Network (RN) for each event of the series.
- 2.6 All entries will complete a required event registration on the Regatta Network (RN) . Completed registration for each Spring Series event shall be listed in RN by the end of the Skippers' Meeting or, on a day when there is no Skippers' Meeting, before the Committee Boat leaves the dock. Boats not registered will not be scored..
- 2.7 Sail Numbers: All boats will race using sail numbers as registered. Boats not using the registered sail number will not be scored for that race.
- 2.8 One Design classes may elect to use ability grouped fleets such as "A Fleet" and "B Fleet" and will register as such. Fleets will start together and are scored within their grouped fleet.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 3.1 The current year schedule of sailing events is printed in the FBYC website
- 3.2 Event Schedule

1030 Skippers' Meeting, when held, will be on the lawn of the Main Clubhouse on the Fishing Bay side. The PRO will ring the bell by the Clubhouse multiple times to signal a meeting

1200 Warning Signal for the first race of each event, unless stated differently in the Sailing Instructions.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted online at www.fbyc.net/events/ on the event Regatta Network site no later than 0800 the day of the event.

5. RACING AREA

The racing area(s) will be in the Fishing Bay area and the mouth of the Piankatank River and specific designated area to be indicated in the event sailing instructions.

6. SCORING

The scoring system will be as defined in Sailing Instructions except as modified by an individual addendum of the Event sailing instructions. All Portsmouth scoring will utilize DPN-2.

7. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows and determined by the total number of boats starting.

<u>DAILY AWARDS</u>	<u>MIN. # of BOATS</u>	<u>SERIES AWARDS</u>	
First	3	First	3
Second	5	Second	5
Third	6	Third	7
		Fourth	10

8. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in a regatta entirely at their own risk, per RRS Rule 3, 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.

9. Insurance

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate, valid third-party liability insurance, or the equivalent.

10. CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS

10.1 The Skipper/Owner of each boat shall be responsible for all actions of his/her crew and guests.

10.2 In the event of a serious breach of conduct or sportsmanship, the destruction of property, or the failure to comply with a request of the Club Manager, a Club Officer, or a member of the FBYC Race Committee, the offending sailor may be evicted from the FBYC premises. The Skipper/Owner will be responsible for all damages, and the Race Committee may rescind the boat's entry at any time during the regatta.

10.3 The consumption of alcoholic beverages by underage crew members or guests will lead to the immediate disqualification of a boat from the event.

11. NOTICE TO VISITING BOATS

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11.1 FBYC extends club privileges to visiting boats and crews participating in the events listed in the Special Sailing Instructions. Boats desiring to layover shall contact the General Manager at (804) 334-7575 upon arrival.