



2024 RS FEVA North American Championship

Tuesday July 30th – Wednesday July 31st, 2024

Afternoon clinic on Monday July 29th details TBA

Island Heights Yacht Club

65 River Ave, Island Heights, NJ 08732

Online registration only please!

www.IHYC.com

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by:
- The rules as defined in *2021-2024 The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
 - The RS FEVA Class Rules
 - The US Sailing Safesport Handbook
 - The sailing instructions

2 ALCOHOL & DRUGS

- 2.1 No contestant shall use, either on or off the water, alcoholic beverages (beer, wine, distilled spirits) or use any controlled substance (marijuana, cocaine, etc.), the possession of which is unlawful. This regulation is in effect during the entire event, from date and time of arrival through date and time of departure. A hearing will be held in accord with the recommendations of Appendix P of the RRS. Penalties for a violation of the regulation may range from a reprimand to dismissal from the regatta. Additionally, the hearing officers may recommend further action under rule 69. The officers for hearing a violation of US SAILING Regulation 5.03 will consist of the Chief Judge, acting as chairman of the hearing, the jury, and the Regatta Chairman.

3 ADVERTISING

- 3.1 Advertising is in accordance with ISAF advertising code and relevant class rules.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the RS FEVA Class and all boats will be competing for the RS FEVA North American Championship.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration process at IHYC.com. No mail in registrations will be accepted.
- 4.3 The RS Feva North American Championships requires all competitors to be members of their national class association. To meet this requirement at no additional burden, the RS Feva North American Class Association, a subsidiary of the RS Sailing North American Class Association, will grant membership for 2024 to all competitors who register in these 2024 RS Feva North American Championships.
- 4.4 The entry fee is \$240 per boat. All entry fees will be collected electronically at the time of registration through Regatta Network. All entries are due by July 22nd, 2024. The fee for entries after July 22nd will be \$290. There will be no refunds of entry fee after July 26th. There is no additional entry fee for sending an instructor.
- 4.5 All skippers, crews and coaches are required to check in on Wed afternoon or Thursday morning prior to the competitor's meeting.
- 4.6 Instructors shall attend the coaches' meeting to receive any safety assignments.
- 4.7 Each skipper shall present his or her self checkout safety form at registration (see the addendum to this NOR).

5. SCHEDULE

The schedule of events will be as follows:

Monday July 29, 2024

10 am – 3 pm Clinic open to all registrants, details to follow
4:00 pm – 6:30 pm Check in

Tuesday July 30, 2024

8:30 am – 9:00 am Check-in
9:15 am Competitor's Mtg, immediately followed by coaches mtg.
9:30 am Harbor Gun
10:30 First warning signal
Lunch provided on the water between races
17:30 – 19:30 Dinner and music

Wednesday July 31, 2024

9:15 Harbor Gun
10:15 First warning signal
Lunch provided on the water between races
14:30 No warning signal after 14:30
Post racing Refreshments
Post racing Awards presentation

6 MEASUREMENT, SAFETY and EQUIPMENT

- 6.1 Skippers are responsible for assuring their boats comply with and have the equipment required by the RS Feva class rules and any USCG rules which may apply.
- 6.2 Additionally, the following equipment shall be aboard, and checked by the skipper prior to check-in:
 - a) Bow line - 26' minimum length, 8mm minimum diameter, floating line
 - b) Mast Gate - must be closed and secured with bolt and nut
 - c) Inspection port covers – Installed (3)
 - d) Drain Plug – Stern (1)
 - e) Dagger board Retainer (1)
 - f) A Functioning Rudder Retainer.
- 6.3 Each skipper shall present their self-check boat safety form at registration.
- 6.4 Boats are subject to inspection by the Technical Committee at any time during the event.
- 6.5 Each competitor and coach shall wear a US Coast Guard approved personal floatation device at all times while on the water.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 The sailing instructions will be available at check in and may be available at Regatta Network prior to the event.

8 THE COURSES

- 8.1 The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions.

9. FORMAT AND SCORING

- 9.1 Low Point Scoring System, Appendix A, will apply.
- 9.2 6 races are scheduled; more may be conducted if conditions permit. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3 When fewer than (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six (6) to nine (9) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten (10) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores.
- 9.4 The course area will be the waters of the Toms River and Barnegat Bay, on the Wanamaker course to the east of the Island Heights Yacht Club.

10. SUPPORT VESSELS

- 10.1 Any club/program entering three or more boats shall supply a support vessel equipped with a working VHF radio, an anchor and a first aid kit. The coach and/or other support personnel shall register with the organizing authority at registration to receive safety patrol assignments.
- 10.2 Spectator and support vessels shall stay well clear of the racecourse area while boats are racing and shall monitor the VHF radio for updates and directives coming from the race committee.

10.3 Any program entering fewer than three boats that will not supply a support vessel shall arrange with another program to allow the supervising coach out onto the water. In no circumstances will competitors be allowed to sail without a designated coach on the racecourse.

11 . PRIZES

11.1 RS Feva North American Championship prizes will be awarded for the top three finishers overall in the regatta. Further prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

12. PERSONAL CONDUCT

12.1 All sailors, instructors and support persons are expected to behave in accordance with recognized principles of sportsmanship, good manners, and fair play.

12.2 If an instructor is asked to leave a racecourse, all junior sailors for whom that instructor is responsible shall leave the racecourse as well unless other satisfactory supervisory arrangements are made.

12.3 **Coaches are expected to be role models of Sportsmanship.**

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

13.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Island Heights Yacht Club as the OA 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.

13.2 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Island Heights Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson, and each crew member agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant.

14. TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING

14.1 All competitors and their support coaches and parents should be prepared to follow the instructions of volunteers and IHYC staff in the delivery and orientation of boats, trailers, and other equipment. Club facilities are limited and as boats must be dry-sailed, use of the available dry stall space is carefully orchestrated in advance and requires everyone's cooperation.

14.2 All parking is on public streets. Please drop off boat(s) in the designated areas and park legally. There are no parking meters. However, observe local parking restrictions as the local police do issue tickets for illegal parking next to yellow curbs.

15. HOUSING

15.1 There is a Days Hotel by Wyndham on Route 37 in Toms River, about 5-10 minute drive from the club and a Clarion Hotel also on Rt. 37 in Toms River about 15 mins away. There are a number of restaurants, Stop and Shop grocery store, Walgreens and fast food restaurants within a short drive from the club. Please check the Internet for more information.

17. LUNCHES

17.1 Lunches will be provided to all contestants and 2 coaches per club/course. Monday's lunch will be served on the water for all sailors. Tuesday's lunch may be on the water or on shore after arrival back at the club.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 This Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, results and other information will be available on the web site of Island Heights Yacht Club. (IHYC.com)

Directions to IHYC : From the North- take Garden State Parkway south to exit 82B-Seaside Heights/Toms River. Circle around exit and head east on Rt. 37 for 6 lights. At 6th light, there is a Shell Station. Go right on West End Ave. Go over hill and down to water's edge. Go Left on River Ave. The IHYC is the yellow building on the right. From the South: Garden State Parkway north to Exit 82- Rt. 37 East & follow directions above.

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