

# 2025 Chubb US Youth Triplehanded Championship Sears Cup Area F Qualifier

June 7-8, 2025  
Fort Worth, TX

## NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

Organizing Authority: US Sailing  
Host Club: Fort Worth Boat Club

*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule of the NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor request redress based on that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1.*

### RULES

1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
2. Other documents that govern the event are:
  - (a) [DP] US Sailing Championship Conditions, available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/championship-conditions/>
  - (b) [DP] Conditions for the US Youth Triplehanded Championship (USYTC Conditions), available on the [event website](#).
  - (c) [NP] [DP] US Sailing Championship Code of Conduct, available at [<link to code of conduct>](#)
  - (d) [DP] US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy, available at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/>. This is a Grade 3 event.
  - (e) [DP] SafeSport Athlete Safety Handbook available at <https://www.ussailing.org/athlete-safety/toolkit/>
3. Under rule 70.3(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.2 may be appealed. A hearing re-opening process will be provided as detailed in the sailing instructions.

### 2. SAFETY

- 2.1. [DP] Each competitor shall wear a USCG-approved life jacket, in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt or bib may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.

### 3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. Prior to arriving at the event, all notices (including amendments to this NoR) will be posted on the [event website](#).
- 3.2. [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

### 4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. The sailing instructions will be available at registration prior to the first competitor's meeting.

### 5. ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1. Competitors meeting the following criteria are eligible to compete in U.S. Youth Triplehanded Championship Area Qualifier. All criteria shall be met prior to the start of the first race.
- 5.2. Competitors shall have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year of competition.
- 5.3. Competitors shall be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of application, registration, and of the event and not otherwise ineligible to compete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of the USOPC or its affiliated organizations.

- 5.4. All competitors shall be members of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) and US Sailing. An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization that is a member of US Sailing.
- 5.5. Crew member(s) shall be members of an LSO that is a member of US Sailing within Area F.
- 5.6. All members of the crew shall reside in or regularly compete in Area F.

## **6. BOATS AND EQUIPMENT**

- 6.1. This Area Qualifier will be sailed in J/22s with a crew of four.
- 6.2. Boats will be provided by the Organizing Authority and host club. The boat rotation, if any, will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3. [DP] The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs and protective clothing.
- 6.4. [DP] GPS devices of all varieties, styles and combinations and VHF radios are specifically banned.

## **7. ENTRY**

- 7.1. Eligible teams may enter no later than 11:59 June 3, 2025 by registering online in at the link to be found at txsail.org and paying all required fees.
- 7.2. A minimum of three (3) boats must be registered by the entry deadline, or the event will be rescheduled or cancelled at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 7.3. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all advance and on-site registration requirements and pay all fees.

## **8. FEES**

- 8.1. Entry fees will be \$135

## **9. SCHEDULE**

- 9.1. The schedule is as follows:

### **Saturday, June 8**

10:00-1030	Check-in
10:30	Competitors' Meeting - Attendance Mandatory J/22 checkout and briefing immediately following Competitors Meeting
11:30	Sail from Harbor
12:30	Approximate start practice race
13:00	Approximate start first race
17:00	No race shall start after this time

### **Sunday, June 9**

Racing will be held on Sunday if and only if at least one race is not completed on Saturday.

If racing is held on Sunday the schedule will be posted before 19:00 on Saturday and no race will start after 14:00.

## **10. [DP] REGISTRATION AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

- 10.1. By the end of onsite registration and equipment inspection (see hours shown in the schedule above):
  - (a) All competitors shall, in writing, agree to abide by the US Sailing Championship Code of Conduct.
  - (b) All competitors shall, in writing, agree to US Sailing Waiver of Liability.
  - (c) A deposit of \$500 per boat will be due at registration in the form of a check, to be destroyed after the regatta.

## **11. CREW SUBSTITUTIONS**

- 11.1. Crew substitutions shall be in accordance with the US Championship Conditions B11.

## **12. ADVERTISING**

- 12.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 12.2. The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

## **13. VENUE**

The regatta will be sailed on the waters of Eagle Mountain Lake, in the vicinity of Fort Worth Boat Club.

## **14. PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1. RRS/US Appendix V, Alternative Penalties will apply.

## **15. SCORING**

- 15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 15.2. Additional scoring details will be provided in the sailing instructions.

## **16. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Racing Rules of Sailing 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.
- 16.2. Competitors shall accept full responsibility for their actions during any activity related to the event. This includes activities before, during, and after the regatta from the time they arrive at the venue until they leave the venue at the conclusion of the event.

## **17. PRIZES**

- 17.1. The top two finishing eligible team(s) (see USYTC Conditions) will qualify for the Chubb U.S. Youth Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup. Teams shall remain the same from the initial qualifying event through the end of the National Championship. Crew changes shall meet the requirements of the US Championship Conditions B11.
- 17.2. Teams who qualify for the National Championship shall submit their registration to the event within seven days of qualification. Failure to register within the deadline may lead to the berth being offered to the next eligible boat.
- 17.3. Additional awards may be given at the discretion of the organizing authority and host club.

## **18. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 18.1. For further information please contact:
  - US Sailing Area X Representative: Jeff Brock [jeffbrock@me.com](mailto:jeffbrock@me.com) 8086393534
  - US Sailing Junior Championship Committee Chair: Steven Hochart, [stevehochart@icloud.com](mailto:stevehochart@icloud.com)
  - US Sailing Youth Championship Office: [youthchampionships@ussailing.org](mailto:youthchampionships@ussailing.org)

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