

2025 Comet Class Yacht Racing Association International Championship Regatta



Organizing Authority: Comet Class Yacht Racing Association

Shrewsbury Sailing and Yacht Club 512 Seawaneka Avenue Oceanport, NJ 07757 <u>www.ssyc.us</u>

August 28-30, 2025

Notice Of Race

1. RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2025 – 2028 Racing Rules of Sailing, the attached waiver and release of liability, and the attached official entry form.

1.2 Racing Rules of Sailing Part 4 preamble and RRS 40 will be changed as follows: When flag Y is displayed ashore, all competitors and crew shall wear personal buoyancy at all times while afloat except for brief periods (two 2 minutes or less) while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Racing rule A2 is changed as follows: each boat's score shall be the total of her races excluding her worst score only if five (5) or more races are completed. If fewer than five (5) races are completed, all scores shall count toward the series score.

Racing rule A5 will be changed as follows: A boat starting later than ten (10) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

Racing rules 35 and A5.3 will be changed as follows: Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes, or after the time limit, whichever is later, will be scored "did not finish" (time limit expired). These changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions.

All yachts must register online. Registration closes at 0930 on Friday, August 22.

2. ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A as stated in ISAF Regulation 20.

3. ENTRY FEE

The CCYRA International Championship Regatta entry fee will be \$300.00. (all skipper and crew meals are included). The registration fee provides for 3 days of racing (weather permitting), a continental breakfast all three days, cookout Wednesday, dinner Thursday and Friday, and lunch all

three days. Regatta trophies will be awarded to the top five finishers. This fee includes the \$10 assessment for the Comet Class as required in the handbook Appendix I.

4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

This event is open to CCYRA members who have paid their 2025 dues. Registration is available at this link: <u>https://cometclass.com/membership</u>. Further information can be found at <u>https://www.cometclass.com</u>.

Eligible yachts are requested to register in advance by completing the registration on the following link: <u>https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet registration form.php?regatta_id=30076</u>

4.1 All yachts must register online. Registration closes at 8:00 PM on Wednesday, August 27.

5. SAIL MEASUREMENT

During the registration period, all sails are subject to measurement and to checking for Sail Tax Labels. If you need Sail Tax Labels, contact Jim Widdis = Comet4061@gmail.com / 732-222-0193

6. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

4:00 - 8:00 PM	Check in, Registration
6:00 - 7-30 PM	BBQ dinner available

Thursday, August 28, 2025

al Breakfast/lunch pick up

Friday, August 29, 2025

9:00 - 11:00 AMContinental Breakfast / lunch pick up11:30 AMHarbor Gun12:00 PMWarning Signal6:00 PMDinner

Saturday, August 30, 2025

8:30 - 10:00 AMContinental Breakfast10:30 AMHarbor Gun11:00 AMWarning SignalNo warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.TBDLunch after the racing

3:00 PM Awards Ceremony (approximately)

Because more than one race or sequence of races will be held on the same day, a YELLOW flag will be displayed at the finish when another race is to follow the same day, and the warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practicable. After a long postponement (ten minutes or more), a day's prior race, and/or the lunch break, to alert boats that a race will begin soon, the ORANGE line flag will be displayed (with one sound) at least four minutes before a warning signal is displayed.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available no later than 4:00 PM on August 26, 2025.

8. VENUE

South Shrewsbury River

9. THE COURSE

The courses shall be Olympic courses (triangle-windward-leeward-windward) or Windward-Leeward.

10. SCORING

10.1 RRS A2 will apply as modified in 1.2 above.

10.2 The number of scheduled races is 7 of which 3 must be completed to constitute the regatta. Should wind, weather, or other conditions make it impossible or impractical to complete all seven (7) races within the publicized time, the event will be terminated and the results based upon the completed number of races.

10.3 No race shall be declared official unless three or more entrants come to the starting line.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

12. REQUIRED SAFETY EQUIPMENT

12.1 US Competitors shall carry a U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal floatation device (PFD). Competitors from outside the U.S. shall carry a PFD approved by their nations' certification authority to the extent permitted by international treaty.

12.2 All competitors shall have a 50 ft. line that can be used as a bowline.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in

this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

14. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

14.1 No competitor shall use, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other controlled substance (as defined in 21 U.S. Code 802) the possession of which is unlawful under 21 U.S. Code 841. No competitor, member of the race committee, or member of the safety patrol shall use alcohol during the event until after each day's scores become final and each day's protests, if any, decided. The consumption of alcohol by competitors under age 21 is strictly prohibited both on and off the water during the entire event.

14.2 An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in racing rule 69.1 and a competitor found to have breached one of these regulations shall be excluded from the remaining races in the series, and where practical removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

15. AWARDS

President's Permanent Trophy - 1st Overall Jay Achenbach Trophy – 2nd overall Dave Rogers Trophy - 3rd overall C. Lowndes Johnson Trophy – 1st in 1st race Wilbur Hamilton-Haines Trophy – 1st in last race Eugene Barilla Trophy – Best finish from the sponsoring club Herbert L. Stone Trophy – First time participant with best score Dr. Allen Brown Memorial Trophy – Best score for Skipper 21 years old or under

16. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

Lift launching is available, with lots of dock space.

17. SOCIAL:

Wednesday evening welcome BBQ: Additional BBQ for guests is available at \$10.00/meal, which will be collected during registration.

Breakfast: A continental breakfast will be provided Thursday, Friday, and Saturday to competitors. Additional breakfasts for guests are available at \$10.00/meal, which will be collected during registration.

Lunch: will be provided to competitors on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Additional lunches for guests are available at \$10.00/meal, which will be collected during registration.

Thursday and Friday Dinners will be served at 6:00 PM for the competitors. Additional meals for guests are available at \$20.00/meal, which will be collected during registration.

18. LODGING

There are numerous Hotels in the West Long Branch and Eatontown area, which are close to the venue and reasonable. Book early since this is beach season and the racetrack is open. Two suggestions are:

Holiday Inn Express - 294 Rte. 36, W. Long Branch, NJ 07764 - 732-542-1234 La Quinta Inn - 109 Rte. 36, W. Long Branch, NJ 07764 - 732- 403-8700

19. HOUSING

Limited housing is available upon request prior to the regatta. Please contact Jessica Gruskos at <u>jgruskos@gmail.com</u> for more information.

20. DIRECTIONS: found on the Club web site: <u>www.ssyc.us</u>

We are located at the intersection of Oneida and Seawaneka, Oceanport, NJ. Use 512 Seawaneka Avenue, Oceanport, NJ 07757 for GPS and mapping programs

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact either: Jay Rhame (C) 732-299-5662, email: <u>jrhame@gmail.com</u> Jim Widdis email: <u>comet4061@gmail.com</u>