2025 SM SAILING GILL TROPHY NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Southern Mass Sailing Association Host: Chatham YC (Pleasant Bay) Tuesday July 29 – Thursday July 31, 2025

1. RULES.

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on <u>Regatta Network</u> by noon on the registration day. There will be no paper copies handed out at the regatta.

3. COMMUNICATION

The online official notice board is located on **Regatta Network**

4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY.

- 4.1 All competitors must identify as female and have reached their 13th birthday by the first day of the regatta but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year.
- 4.2 The SMSA Administrator may waive the lower age limit at their discretion.
- 4.3 Only Sailors who are members in good standing of a club or sailing organization that is a member of Southern Mass Sailing Association (SMSA) are eligible to win the Gill Trophy, but all participants are eligible to win prizes at the regatta.
- 4.4 The regatta fee is \$150/boat.
- 4.5 All Registration and fees paid must be done on-line at Regatta Networks
- 4.3 Registration closes Monday July 28, 2025 at 1600 eastern time
- 4.4 Late registrations may be accepted and a late fee assessed at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.
- 4.5 There is a minimum of 5 boats and a maximum of 45 boats; first come, first served. The fleet size may be increased at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.
- 4.6 The Gill trophy is a bring-your-own C420 event. Each competitor is responsible for making sure that boat is class legal and seaworthy.

5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday July 29:

1600-1800 Check-in & Boat drop off at Jackknife Beach/Chatham YC

Wednesday July 30:

0900 LATE Check-in

0930 Sailor's Meeting (Mandatory) at CYC

Harbor Start. First gun time will be announced at the sailor's meeting. Racing will continue throughout the day at the discretion of the Race Committee.

Thursday July 31:

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		continue throughout the day at the discretion of the Race Committee.
1500		No first warning signals after this point.
		Awards as soon as possible after racing

6. RACING AREA. All races are planned for Pleasant Bay

7. COACHING, SPECTATING, SAFETY BOATS.

- 7.1 Coaching will be allowed between races.
- 7.2 Clubs and organizations with three (3) or more boats are required to bring a coach boat.
- 7.3 All coach boats must fill out a coach boat registration form, available at check-in, and turn it in prior to the start of racing.
- 7.4 Coaches, parents, and spectators may not interfere with the racers. Doing so may be grounds for removal of sailors connected to you from the regatta.
- 7.5 [DP] All Spectator and/or coach boats must have a VHF radio and are expected to act as safety boats at the direction of the PRO if necessary.

8. FOOD, WATER, & HOUSING:

- 8.1 The host club will provide snack options for the sailors to bring on the water with them and food after racing. Sailors are responsible for collecting their own snacks.
- 8.2 Water will be provided from Gatorade jugs. Sailors are expected to bring their own refillable water bottle. Single use plastic bottles are HIGHLY discouraged.
- 8.3 Housing will NOT be provided.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1 The top boat representing a SMSA club will win the Gill trophy
- 9.2 The top six (6) boats (Skipper and Crew) will receive trophies.

10. REGATTA CONTACTS

Event Chair (Logistical questions) – Commodore Tracy Dart (Chatham YC) Phone: E-Mail: commodorecyc.ma@gmail.com

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