



Organized by US Sailing

Hosted by the The Waterfront Center

Oyster Bay, NY

October 5-8, 2017

Notice of Race

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1. RULES

- 1.1.** The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, by the US Sailing Conditions for the Championships and the Conditions for the Championship of Champions (referred to hereinafter as the Conditions), and by the US Sailing Regulations, Section 10 for Championships, as well as sections 2,4, and 15 of the US Sailing Regulations
- 1.2.** RRS 60.1(a) is modified to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule.

2. CLASS

- 2.1.** Sonars will be provided and will be sailed in a “round robin” format.
- 2.2.** The total number of crew aboard shall be three.
- 2.3.** The regatta is not being conducted as a class sanctioned or class association event.

3. IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

Boats shall be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. The one design class represented by each competing sailor must be a current member of US Sailing at the time of application. All competitors must be current members of US Sailing. Proof of membership will be requested upon application and registration.
- 4.2. The applicant must be a 2016 or 2017 one design class United States, North American or World Champion helmsperson.
- 4.3. The qualifying year runs August 1, 2016 to July 31, 2017. If a class championship is completed after August 1, 2017, the class champion will be eligible to apply for the 2018 Championship of Champions. If a current year champion has not been established prior to the application deadline, the current standing class champion is eligible to apply. Refer to the Conditions, paragraphs 3 and 4 for a detailed discussion of eligibility and selection.

5. APPLICATION AND SELECTION

- 5.1. Eligible class champions may apply for this event by submitting an online application and an application fee of \$50.00 at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/> **not later than August 8, 2016**. The US Sailing Championship of Champions Committee will review all applications. Applicants selected to participate will be notified no later than August 31, 2017 by the US Sailing Championship of Champions Committee. Entry fees are not due until an applicant has been selected and notified.

- 5.2. Up to nineteen (19) applicants will be invited to attend this event.
- 5.3. Late entries may be accepted or invited at the discretion of the US Sailing Championship of Champions Committee. Entries not invited by August 31, 2017 will be kept on a priority wait list and will be contacted in the order determined by US Sailing if any of the initial entrants are unable to attend.

6. FEES

- 6.1. The entry fee is \$275 per boat and includes borrowed boat insurance, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, parties, banquet and a commemorative item.
- 6.2. Entry fees are payable by credit card to US Sailing and are due by September 5, 2017. Register online at <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/> Entrants who cancel at the last minute and whose slot cannot be filled may not receive a refund.
- 6.3. Entry fees are not refundable after September 19, 2017.
- 6.4. A separate damage deposit fee of \$250.00 is required. This fee will be payable by check to and collected by the The Waterfront Center at registration.
- 6.5. A non-competitor accompanying a competitor may purchase meal tickets at the registration desk.
- 6.6. For participants under 18: download all entry forms and releases from the registration. Complete them and mail to: The Waterfront Center, 1 West End Ave, Oyster Bay , NY 11771

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Provisional Sailing Instructions will be posted on <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/adult/cofc/>
- 7.2. Official Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

8. VENUE

Racing area will be held within Oyster Bay, NY.

9. COURSES

The courses will be windward/ leeward or triangle or a combination thereof.

10. PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday- October 5	0930-1630 On-site registration and check-in 1200-1300 Local Knowledge and Boat Clinic Lunch 1300-1630 Practice 1730-Skippers Meeting Reception and Dinner will follow
Friday- October 6	0800 Breakfast 0930 Warning Signal – First Race of the Day Subsequent Races & Lunch Break will follow 1900 Dinner following racing
Saturday- October 7	0800 Breakfast 0930 Warning Signal – First Race of the Day Subsequent Races & Lunch Break will follow 1900 Banquet Dinner
Sunday- October 8	0800 Breakfast 0930 Warning Signal – First Race of the Day Subsequent Races & Lunch Break will follow No race will begin after 1200 Awards will follow the last race.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. A complete round robin of races will be scheduled.
- 11.2. Appendix A2 is modified as follows:

11.2.1. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of that competitor's race scores.

11.2.2. When from 6 to 11 races are completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of that competitor's race scores excluding the competitor's worst score.

11.2.3. When 12 or more races have been completed, a competitor's series score will be the total of that competitor's race scores excluding the competitor's two worst scores.

11.3. Four races are required to constitute the Regatta.

12. PRIZES

12.1. US Sailing medals will be awarded to the top 3 competitors.

12.2. The winning competitor will be awarded the Jack Brown Perpetual Trophy

13. USE OF PERSONAL FLOATATION

For championships and qualifying events in dinghies, each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for floatation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.

14. HOUSING & HOTEL

15. COACHING

The Championship of Champions is a Grade 3 event as defined by US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat Policy. <http://www.ussailing.org/racing/championships/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/> .

No private coaching of any competitor while on the water shall be permitted during the period October 6 through October 9, 2016. Private spectator boats must meet the requirements as listed in the Sailing Instructions.

16. SPECTATOR BOATS.

Limited spectator boats may be available. Check with the LBYC registration table.

17. TRAVEL

US Sailing members will receive discounted travel through United Airlines for this event. Go to www.ussailing.org/membership/benefits. This discount can only be booked through this site.

18. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (US Sailing Regulation 10.03)

18.1. For adult US Sailing championship events, no competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law.

18.2. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or any alcoholic beverages.

18.3. 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 the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

18.3.1. If under 18, a parent or guardian as well as the sailor must submit a signed copy.

19. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive radio or other data communications that are not available to all other boats while racing. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

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