
	<p>VX One East Coast Championship Regatta July 12-15, 2023 Newport, RI</p>	
---	--	---

Notice of Race

1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

1.1. The Organizing Authority (OA) and Host is Sail Newport, 72 Fort Adams Drive, Newport, RI 02840.

2. RULES

2.1. The VX One 2023 East Coast Championship Regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the VX One Class Rules.

2.2. US Safety Equipment Requirements (USSER)

i. All yachts shall minimally comply with the US Nearshore section of the USSER and shall comply with their class rules, where applicable.

ii. USSER 2.4.1 through 2.4.8 regarding Hull and Structure: Lifelines shall apply, except that yachts not normally rigged with lifelines are exempt for these requirements and shall wear approved PFDs at all times while racing.

iii. In the event of a conflict between these Requirements and applicable class rules, the class rules shall apply.

2.3. VX One class rules permit VHF radios when racing. Competitors are strongly urged to have VHF radios available for the purpose of safety and for receiving pertinent race information.

2.4. Where there is a conflict between this Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail except that neither shall alter any class rules. This changes rule 63.7.

3. ADVERTISING

3.1. Advertising is permitted in accordance with **World Sailing** Regulation 20 and the applicable class rules.

3.2. Boats are strongly urged to refrain from displaying advertising that may conflict with event sponsors.

4. ELIGIBILITY

4.1. The East Coast Championship Regatta is open to the VX One class.

5. ENTRY

5.1. Entries for all boats will be accepted through the online registration at Yacht Scoring.

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16101>. Entry includes use of the hoist and racing and Friday night social.

5.2. The early entry deadline is June 15. Entries received after June 30 will be subject to a late fee of \$50 for keelboat entries.

5.3. Entry is not considered complete unless accompanied by the appropriate entry fee and all crew have completed a Crew Waiver by the time of sailing at Yacht Scoring (**available at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=16101>**).

5.4. Entry fee is refundable (minus a \$35 handling fee) if notice of cancellation is received and acknowledged by 1900 on June 29th.

5.5. The OA reserves the right to accept entries beyond stated deadlines.

5.6. Entry fees:

Class	Entry Fee
VX One	\$190

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 6.1. It is the intent of the OA and Race Committee to conduct 4 races daily.
- 6.2. VX One boats will race Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

Wednesday, July 12

Boats may arrive at Sail Newport

(Earlier arrivals please contact Nick Mauprivez (Nick.Mauprivez@sailnewport.org)

1630 - 1930 Check-in, Sail Newport, 72 Fort Adams Drive (one representative from boat)

Thursday, July 13 Race Day

0800 - 0930 Check-in, Sail Newport, 72 Fort Adams Drive (one representative from boat)
1200 Warning Signal

Friday, July 14 Race Day

1200 Warning Signal
Social following racing

Saturday July 15

1100 Warning Signal
Awards after racing

7. MEASUREMENT AND WEIGH-IN

- 7.1. All boats, sails and equipment must meet class rules.
- 7.2. Class measurement and weigh-ins will be managed by identified class or local fleet representatives.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. SIs will be available on Yacht Scoring by 1700 on July 6th.

9. COURSES AND RACING AREA

- 9.1. Racing will be held on Narragansett Bay

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. Appendix V, Alternatives Penalties, of the RRS will be in effect.
- 10.2. Appendix V1 is changed so that infractions within the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes RRS 44.2.
- 10.3. The penalty, if any, for an infringement of a rule other than a rule of Part 2 will be at the discretion of the Protest Committee and may be other than disqualification. This changes rule 64.1.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix A will apply.

11.2. One race shall constitute a series.

11.3. A boat's worst finish will be discarded after a class has completed six races. Two races may be discarded if twelve races are sailed. This changes rule A2.

12. PRIZES

12.1. Prizes will be awarded by the VX One class.

13. PERSONAL FLOTATION

13.1. In compliance with VX One Class rule C3.1(a), while racing, each crew shall wear a personal flotation device.

14. LAUNCHING AND BERTHING

14.1. Hoist use is included in the entry fee.

14.2. All competitors, coaches, and family members are expected to behave in a sportsmanlike manner.

This includes behavior both on and off the water including respect for all other persons, personal property of others, the facility, and Fort Adams State Park. Any competitor who violates this trust in any manner, including the consumption of beer or other alcoholic beverage by a minor, may be penalized by the OA and/or have a complaint lodged against him or her to the Protest Committee and/or the appropriate class association. Penalties imposed by the OA and/or the Protest Committee may include disqualification of the boat with which the competitor is associated, notification of law enforcement and/or parents, or other penalties the Protest Committee or the OA may deem appropriate. Any coach or family member who violates this trust may have a complaint lodged against him or her to the appropriate class association.

15. EVENT HEADQUARTERS

15.1. Event Headquarters will be in the Sail Newport Main Office, **72 Fort Adams Drive**, located in Fort Adams State Park, **Newport, RI**

16. MEDIA RIGHTS

16.1. Competitors give absolute right and permission for video footage and photographs of themselves or their boat to be published in any media for press, editorial, or advertising purposes.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1. Sailing is an activity that carries with it an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk and are reminded to pay special attention to rule 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers, including the OA, Race Committee, Protest Committee, the State of Rhode Island, sponsors, volunteers, or any other affiliated 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 practice for or participation in this event on the water or ashore. 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.

18. **FURTHER INFORMATION**

18.1. For further information please contact:

Sail Newport

Rhode Island's Public Sailing Center

72 Fort Adams Drive

Newport, RI 02840

Tel. (401) 846-1983

Email contact: **gary.knapp@sailnewport.org**

Storage inquiries: **nick.mauprivez@sailnewport.org** **www.sailnewport.org**