

Junior Sailing Association of Long Island Sound
41st Annual Regatta for The Dorade Trophy

Monday, August 11, 2008

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2005-2008, the PHRF Minimum Safety Equipment Recommendations of the Y.R.A. of Long Island Sound: Category C, the current Rules for JSA Events, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Specific attention is directed to RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 and 4, which state:

- 1.1 A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
4. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.

2. RACE MANAGEMENT

- 2.1 The Organizing Authority (OA) is Stamford Yacht Club.
- 2.2 The Race Committee shall use VHF Channel 05.
- 2.3 The US Coast Guard can be reached on VHF Channel 16 and by phone at: 631-261-6868

3. RATINGS

- 3.1 The current PHRF of the YRA of LIS ratings will be used; weight limits will not be in effect.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

4.1 Boat Eligibility

- 4.1.1 The race is open to boats owned by:
- a a member of a YRA member club; or
 - b a member of an association that is a member of JSA; or
 - c a community sailing program that is a member of JSA.
- 4.1.2 Boats shall be not less than 27 feet LOA and not more than 44 feet LOA
- 4.1.3 Boats shall have a current valid YRALIS PHRF certificate.

4.2 ADVISOR/CREW ELIGIBILITY AND RESPONSIBILITY

- 4.2.1 Each boat shall have aboard at least two senior advisors ("Advisors"), one of whom shall be the Boat Owner or a designated Owner's Representative, who shall be at least 25 years old, and be capable of taking command of the boat in emergency conditions; and the other(s) of whom shall be at least 18 years old and experienced in overnight distance racing.
- 4.2.2 For boats over 35 feet, it is recommended that there be at least three advisors.

- 4.2.3 Instructors may serve as Advisors; however, an Instructor may never serve as an Owner's Representative.
- 4.2.4 The Boat Owner or a designated Owner's Representative is responsible for the safety of the yacht and its crew as well as the conduct of the crew before and during the race, and compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 4.2.5 The Boat Owner or the Owner's Representative has the final say in matters pertaining to the safety of the crew and the boat. (RRS Fundamental Rule 4)
- 4.2.6 The Advisors shall refrain from assisting the sailors with racing strategies except when a safety issue is involved.
- 4.2.7 All junior sailors (Juniors) and their instructor advisors shall be members of JSA.
- 4.2.8 Each boat shall be crewed by at least five Juniors who are at least 14 years old and at most 18 years old by the end of the current calendar year.
- 4.2.9 Juniors shall constitute at least 60% of the total number of persons aboard.

4.3 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 4.3.1 All boats shall comply with Minimum Equipment & Safety Recommendations of the YRA of Long Island Sound: Category C.
- 4.3.2 All boats shall comply with the Rules for JSA Events. Special attention is called to Rule 8, JSA Rules for PHRF events.

5. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 Prior to the start of the race, and within 24 hours thereof, 100% of the race crewmembers must participate in an onboard man overboard drill. Participating crew shall sign the Man Overboard Certificate supplied with the Race Entry. The completed Man Overboard Certificate shall remain aboard the boat and shall be turned over to the OA upon their request.

6. ENTRY PROCESS

- 6.1 Eligible boats enter by completing the forms found at www.yachtscoring.com which may be accessed via the JSA website www.jsalis.org
- 6.2 Entries must be received by 1800, Saturday, August 9, 2008. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee. Sailing instructions will be available on the JSA Website
- 6.3 A valid PHRF Rating Certificate shall be on file with the YRA of LIS. Rating Certificate revisions may be accepted after submission of the Entry Form at the discretion of the OA.
- 6.4 Two copies of a completed and signed 2008 JSA Waiver form must be submitted with the entry form for each of the Junior crew members.
- 6.5 The Man Overboard Certificate will be available on the JSA website.

7. FEES

7.1 The fee shall be \$25.00 per boat

7.2 The fee for late entries shall be \$50.00 per boat

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The sailing instructions will be available via the JSA website, or at www.yachtscoring.com

9. COMMUNICATION

9.1 While racing, except in the course of a roll call or emergency, a boat shall neither make nor receive wireless communications not simultaneously available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

9.2 During the race, contestants may not receive weather, current or navigational information except by broadcast from a publicized source available to all competitors.

10. SCHEDULE

10.1 The first warning is scheduled for 1000 on Monday, August 11, 2008 in the vicinity of Red Bell "32A" (Mid-Sound).

11. INSPECTIONS

11.1 Before the start of the race or after its finish, the OA shall reserve the right to inspect any and all boats for full compliance with eligibility and equipment requirements. The inspection is a courtesy and it remains the Boat Owner's, or Owner's Representative, responsibility to comply with all requirements. Failure to be in compliance subjects the boat to protest and time penalties in accordance with RRS.

12. RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAFETY

12.1 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the Stamford Yacht Club, the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Each of them waives all claims which he or she, or any heir, representative, successor or assignee, may have against the Stamford Yacht Club and the JSA of LIS and each of their officers, trustees, members, committees, employees or agents, arising out of or in any way connected with participation in such race or activity. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor, as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant. Stamford Yacht Club bears no responsibility for accidents, damage or injuries to boats or their personnel arising from any cause during the race

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ENTRY FORM

Submit this completed form with a \$25.00 entry fee (check payable to Stamford Yacht Club), and a copy of 2007 PHRF certificate to: 97 Ocean Drive West, Stamford, CT 06902. Entries must be received by 1800, Saturday, August 9, 2008. Faxed entry forms will not be accepted. Late entries may be accepted, with \$50.00 check, at the discretion of the Race Committee. Sailing instructions will be available on the JSA website (www.jsalis.org) or at the Stamford Yacht Club office.

CLUB NAME: _____ YACHT NAME: _____

PHRF RATING: _____ SAIL NUMBER: _____ RIG: _____ LOA: _____

TOPSIDE COLOR: _____ CLASS: _____

Name of Junior Crew	Navigation Test		Seamanship Test		2005 Safety at Sea Seminar	
Skipper:	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Navigator:	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Port Watch Captain:	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Starboard Watch Captain:	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
CREWMEMBERS						
1.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
2.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
3.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
4.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
5.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
6.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
7.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
8.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
9.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
10.	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N

ADVISORS

BOAT OWNER OR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE:

1. _____ Is this person the Owner _____ or Owner's Representative _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: day _____ night _____ cell _____ fax _____

OTHER SENIOR ADVISOR(S) OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE:

1. _____ 2. _____

OWNER'S INFORMATION

Name of Owner if Owner is *not* serving as an Advisor above: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: day _____ night _____ cell _____ fax _____

BOAT OWNER'S CERTIFICATION AND WAIVER

1. The Boat Owner or Owner's Representative aboard this yacht having read the rules pertaining to this race hereby agree to abide by the restrictions thereby imposed, and certify that all requirements set forth in the sailing instructions have been met. Furthermore, the Boat Owner or Owner's Representative certifies that the yacht, _____, representing _____ Yacht Club in the Junior Distance Sailing Championship of Long Island Sound is in all respects seaworthy to the best of my knowledge, that she is equipped in accordance with the government regulations for a vessel of her size and type and that she carries all equipment called for in the Sailing Instructions of this race.

Signature of Owner/Representative _____ Date _____

THIS DOCUMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES. YOU SHOULD GET APPROPRIATE LEGAL OR OTHER ADVICE BEFORE SIGNING IT.

1. My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read RRS 4, Decision to Race and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
2. I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members, will be responsible for:
 - (a) any damage to the entered boat or my other property; or
 - (b) any injury to myself or my crew, including death, sustained as a result of the participation of myself, my crew and the boat in this event.
3. I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by myself or my crew as a result of our participation in this event and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
4. I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that myself, my crew and the entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law or that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
5. I understand this document has important legal consequences and have consulted such legal and other advisors as I deem appropriate before signing.

Signature of Owner/Representative _____ Date _____