



2009 Viper 640 North American Championship

September 17 -20, 2009

Notice of Race

HOSTED BY

Stamford Yacht Club, Stamford, CT
Indian Harbor Yacht Club, Greenwich, CT

1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Viper 640 Class. The Stamford Yacht Club is the organizing authority for this event
- 1.2 This is an ISAF Regulation 20 Category C event. All boats shall have mainsail numbers.
- 1.3 There will be no minimum or maximum crew weight limits for this regatta. Boats shall sail with the same crew each day unless otherwise approved by the Race Committee.
- 1.4 The prohibition on outside assistance (RRS Rule 41) is amended to allow coaching from the official class coach boat for this regatta.

2. ELIGIBILITY

The regatta shall be open to all Viper 640 sailboats whose owner or skipper is a member of the Viper 640 Class Association.

3. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, September 17	0800-1000	Registration – Stamford Yacht Club
	1300	Practice racing
	1900	Dinner – Indian Harbor Yacht Club
Friday, September 18	0800-1000	Registration – Stamford Yacht Club
	0900	Skippers Meeting – Stamford Yacht Club
	1030	Warning, first race
	TBD	Post race gathering and chalk talk (time will be announced)
Saturday, September 19	1030	Warning, racing resumes
	1900	Dinner – Stamford Yacht Club
	TBD	Post race gathering and chalk talk
Sunday, September 20	1030	Warning, racing resumes
	1430	No warning signal after Awards Presentation at Stamford Yacht Club as soon as practicable upon completion of racing.

4. ENTRIES

- 4.1 The entry deadline is Friday, September 4, 2009
- 4.2 All entries are to be made on-line via the link at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 4.3 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Race Committee.

- 4.4 Waivers are a required document of registration. No entry is complete until it has been signed and returned.
- 4.5 The entry fee to participate in the 2009 Viper 640 North American Championship \$350. Entries received through May 31st will be discounted to \$295. The fee includes regatta events for skipper and two crew members. Tickets for additional guests at the dinners can be purchased on-line at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 4.6 The late entry fee is \$400.
- 4.7 There will be no refunds after August 28th.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available on-line at www.yachtscoring.com at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the regatta.

6. EQUIPMENT

All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channel 05.

7. STORAGE

- 7.1 All participating boats shall be afloat by 0845 on Friday, September 18 and shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with the prior approval of the Organizing Authority.
- 7.2 Moorings and dockage may be available at Stamford Yacht Club and Indian Harbor Yacht Club.
- 7.3 Trailer storage may be available near Stamford Yacht Club beginning Wednesday, September 17.
- 7.4 By specific arrangement only, boats and trailers may remain after the end of the regatta.

8. RACING AREA AND COURSES

- 8.1 The racing area will be south of Red Bell R "34" Todd's Point.
- 8.2 Courses shall be Windward/Leeward.

9. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 The penalty for breaking a Rule of Part 2 shall be in accordance with RRS 44.1 and 44.2.
- 9.2 A boat that has taken a penalty or retired under rule 44.1 shall complete an acknowledgement form and file same within the protest time limit.

10. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A2, shall apply. If five (5) or more races are sailed, a boat's worst score shall be excluded. Three completed races shall constitute a regatta.

11. PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to first through fifth place finishers.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please contact:

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