



2018 Beneteau First 36.7 North American Championship

September 6 - 9, 2018, Bayview Yacht Club

Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority (OA) for the Beneteau First 36.7 North American Championship is the Detroit Fleet of the North American Beneteau First 36.7 Class. The regatta is hosted by Bayview Yacht Club.

1 - RULES

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

1.2 Only the US SAILING prescriptions to rules 40, 67, 76.1, and 76.3 will apply.

1.3 Beneteau First 36.7 North American One Design Class Rules (hereafter "Class Rules") apply.

1.4 Racing rules will be changed as follows:

(a) RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 30 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored points equal to the last finisher plus two without a hearing.

(b) RRS 44.1 and 44.2 will be changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within three boats lengths of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one tack and one gybe is required.

(c) RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress, and for requesting that a hearing be reopened, on the last day of racing.

The sailing instructions may change other racing rules.

2 - ADVERTISING

2.1 Boats shall display the event bow stickers and/or identification numbers on their bow while racing. Boat may be required to display a boom sticker and stern flag provided by the OA.

3 - ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to all Beneteau First 36.7 owners who are members of the Beneteau First 36.7 One Design Class Association.

3.2 Owners shall be current members of their Member National Authority. .

3.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry forms online at

<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4777>

3.4 The entry deadline is August 15, 2018.

3.5 The crew list, along with their World Sailing (WS) Sailor ID, is required to be completed online.

3.6 The crew must be weighed in and meet World Sailing classification requirements and shall be required to sign a waiver of liability form at registration. For crew members not classified by WS, Group 3 will be assumed.

3.7 Class Rules Appendix A and Keel Certificate shall be turned in at the time of registration.

3.8 Boats shall be equipped per Appendix C of the Class Rules.

4 - FEES

4.1 The entry fee is US \$650 per boat if paid by August 1, 2018.

4.2 The entry fee for payments made between August 1, 2018 and August 15, 2018 is US \$725 per boat.

4.3 Dockage at the Bayview Yacht Club from Sunday, September 2, 2018 through Tuesday, September 11, 2018, is included for each boat entered in the regatta.

4.4 Tickets for food and beverage will be available for purchase during the event.

5 - SCHEDULE

5.1 Registration and crew weigh in:

Wednesday, September 5, 2018, from 1600 to 2000

Thursday, September 6, 2018, from 1400 to 2000

5.2 Opening ceremonies:

Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 1800

5.3 Racing will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, September 7, 8 and 9, 2018. The harbor start is scheduled for 0900 each day. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race each day is 1100 hours. No warning signal will be made after 1430 on Sunday, September 9, 2018.

6 - INSPECTIONS AND WEIGH-INS

6.1 Boats may be selected for inspection for compliance with Class Rules.

6.2 Skippers and crews will be weighed to ensure compliance with Class Rule 7.1. Substitute crews will be weighed on the morning of the day they will race between 0730 and 0800.

7 - SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the event website by September 6, 2018. Copies will also be available at registration.

8 - VENUE AND COURSES

The racing area will be on Lake St. Clair, Detroit. The courses will be windward/leeward. Courses may include gates and offset marks.

9 - SCORING

9.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.2 A boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. This changes RRS A.2.1.

10 - SUPPORT BOATS

10.1 From the time of the preparatory signal for the first start of the day until all boats have finished racing for the day, coach and support boats shall:

- Stay outside areas where boats are racing
- Not be allowed in the top half of the course
- Not be allowed on the extensions of the start line

10.2 Support boats shall be registered with the OA prior to the start of racing.

11 - HAUL OUT RESTRICTIONS AND DOCKING

11.1 All boats will be moored at Bayview Yacht Club during the event.

11.2 All boats shall be afloat and available for inspection by 1000 on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

11.3 No boat shall be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the OA.

12 - PRIZES

12.1 Overall prizes will be awarded to the top five boats and the top three boats racing with no WS Category 3 sailors (Corinthian Scoring).

12.2 Daily prizes will be awarded each evening to the top three boats for the day.

13 - DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The OA and Bayview Yacht Club will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14 - INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. Proof of insurance may be required.

15 - FURTHER INFORMATION

The event website is <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=4777>

The OA will attempt to have all information on the event website as it becomes available. Skippers may receive additional information when they register.

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