



## 2011 Hospice Regattas National Championship

June 02-05, 2011

Hosted by Rochester Yacht Club, Rochester New York

### Notice of Race (02/19/11)

#### 1 RULES

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

#### 2 ADVERTISING

2.1 The regatta will comply with ISAF regulation 20.

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

#### 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 Entries will be accepted from racing skippers who have been selected by their local Hospice Regatta organizers and who have been invited by the National Hospice Regatta Alliance to compete in this 11th annual Hospice Regattas National Championship. Each skipper must be a member of US SAILING; however membership in the Sonar class association is not required.

3.2 Entries shall be submitted on the official regatta entry form, and are due by **April 1, 2011**.

3.3 Entry form shall be completed on line by **April 1, 2011** at [www.hospiceregattas.org](http://www.hospiceregattas.org). Payments can also be made on line or by check to RYC, or call RYC with credit card info (585) 342-5511.

3.4 Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

#### 4 CLASSIFICATION

4.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code shall apply. All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor's classification Code ID number from ISAF. This can be done online at [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor). Each member of the crew, including the skipper, must include on the entry form valid ISAF Classification ID numbers.

**5 FEES:** Required fees are as follows:

5.1 **Entry Fee:** The Championship entry fee is \$500.00, which includes four (4) social passes for skipper and crew to all events as listed in NOR 6. Additional social passes can be ordered and purchased online or at RYC.

5.2 **Security Deposit:** The National Hospice Regatta Alliance will arrange insurance for each boat. All skippers are required to post a \$1,000.00 damage deductible security deposit prior to the close of registration. See **Attachment "A"** below for insurance and security deposit details.

## 6 SCHEDULE

Wednesday 01 June	1200-1700	Registration	Burgee Bar
	1800	Welcome Reception	Burgee Bar
Thursday 02 June	1200-1700	Registration	Burgee Bar
	1000-1700	Practice Sailing Sonars available first come first serve	On the Water
	1300	Practice Race(s) practice starts	On the Water
	1800	Competitors Meeting	Burgee Bar
	1830	Welcome Reception	Burgee Bar
Friday 03 June	0955	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal	More races to follow
	1800	Buffet & Daily Awards	Burgee Bar
Saturday 04 June	0955	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal	More races to follow
	1800	Dinner and Daily Awards	Main Dining Room
Sunday 05 June	0955	1 <sup>st</sup> Warning Signal	More races to follow
	1400	No further warning signals	
	1600	Awards (target time)	Northwest Deck

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

7.1 Sailing instructions will be available on the National Hospice Regatta Alliance website ([www.hospiceregattas.org](http://www.hospiceregattas.org)) on or before May 10, 2011, and will be distributed at registration.

## 8 VENUE

Racing will be on the waters of Lake Ontario, near the mouth of the Genesee River. See Attachment "B".

## 9 THE COURSES

9.1 Windward-leeward drop-mark courses. Offset marks and leeward gates will be used.

## 10 PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1 RRS 44 - Penalties for breaking rules of RRS Part 2 is changed in that if a boat breaks a rule of RRS Part 2, her alternate penalty shall be either a One Turn Penalty, including one tack and one jibe, or a 20% Scoring Penalty, unless she breaks a rule of RRS Part 2 within the 3 boat length zone, in which case the penalty shall be either a Two Turns Penalty, or a 50% scoring penalty. (This changes RRS 44.) All boats that have taken a penalty under RRS Part 44.2 or Part 44.3 shall make a written declaration to the RC to the end of protest time. (This changes RRS 44.2 and RRS 44.3.)

10.2 RRS 44.1 is changed to allow a boat to take a Scoring Penalty for a breach of a rule of RRS Part 2, RRS 31 or RRS 44.3 after the incident but prior to the protest hearing by acknowledging the infringement before protest hearing, or by accepting the opinion of an arbitrator. This scoring penalty shall be 40% of the number of boats racing (rounding 0.5 upward), but shall not be less than 5 places added to her actual finish position. However, she shall not be scored worse than "Did Not Finish". (This changes RRS 44.1.)

## 11 SCORING

11.1 The Low-Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply except that there will be no score excluded. (This changes RRS Appendix A2.)

## 12 BERTHING

12.1 Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the RYC harbor, as defined by the OA.

## 13 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTRIONS

13.1 Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the PRO of the RC

#### **14 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS**

Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around boats between the end of registration and the end of the regatta.

#### **15 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Use of a handheld VHF radio will be permitted for monitoring weather channels or RC communications to competitors on VHF channel 09. The RC intends to use VHF radio to identify OCS boats after the start and other communications to the fleet. Failure to receive a hail, for a hail to be made, the order of hails made, or to receive other communications to the fleet shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RR 62.1(a)

#### **16 PRIZES**

The winner of each race will receive a prize. Series prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams, skipper and crew. The overall winner will have their name engraved on the Hospice Regattas National Championship Perpetual Trophy, kept and displayed by the OA, and the Storm Trysail Club Chesapeake Station.

#### **17 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

#### **18 BOAT ASSIGNMENTS and FORMAT**

18.1 Boat assignments will be determined by a drawing at the Thursday, 02 June 2011 Competitors' Meeting.

18.2 A boat rotation sequence will be announced at the competitors meeting. The OA will be providing as many as 12 Sonars with sails.

18.3 The event format will be determined after the close of registration. The OA will modify the NOR to include the format based on the number of complete entries and the boats available for the event.

#### **19 CREW LIMITATIONS**

19.1 The Championship is open to qualified crews that contain no more than one Group 3 Professional Competitor, as defined by the ISAF Classification system.

19.2 A group 3 competitor may not steer during a race unless he is the selected competitor from his nominating Hospice Regatta.

19.3 The crew number limit is four (4); there will be no crew weight limit.

#### **20 SAFTY AND OTHER EQUIPMENT**

20.1 All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The OA will not provide life jacket or PFD. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes rule 40.

20.2 Competitors may bring any other personal equipment as desired on board the racing boat. This includes electronic compass, stopwatch, tools and tape. All items must be removed when the team leaves the boat.

20.3 Sonars will be prepared by the OA, no adjustment to the standing rigging or mast deck blocks shall be permitted, expect for the tension of the backstay. Further information provided in the sailing instructions.

#### **21 FURTHER INFORMATION**

21.1 Additional Championship information can be found at [www.hospiceregattas.org](http://www.hospiceregattas.org), or by contacting the committee at:

**Hospice Regattas National Championship Committee**

**c/o Rochester Yacht Club**

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**Rochester Yacht Club web site is**  
[www.rochesteryc.com](http://www.rochesteryc.com)

Regatta Chairmen - Hank & Mary Stuart and John and Lauren Doyle



**Notice of Race - Attachment "A"**  
**Boat Insurance**

1. The National Hospice Regatta Alliance will arrange boat insurance for each borrowed or chartered boat. Each team is responsible for the damage or loss to their boat unless responsibility is otherwise assigned by the Organizing Authority. Insurance deductible deposits of \$1,000.00 shall be posted by each competing team at registration. Damage deposits must be cash, check or by credit card. Checks should be made payable to Rochester Yacht Club.
2. The damage deposit is the limit of liability of each team for each incident. If a boat is damaged in a race, and any part of a team's deductible is used, the team will be required to restore the damage deposit to the original value to maintain eligibility. The additional damage deposit must be made within the protest time limit period on that day.
3. A completed Boat Inspection Form shall be submitted by a representative of each competing team following sailing on each day (Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday). The form shall be submitted to the Race Committee at Race Headquarters within two hours of the last boat's finish time for the last race of the day or abandonment of the race.
4. Insurance arranged by NHRA provides protection ONLY to the owners for damage to their boats. This insurance does not relieve competitors from liability in the event a competitor causes injury to other persons or property.
5. If damages occur that were not reflected on a completed Boat Inspection Form, the costs will be paid from the deposit of the team(s) causing the damage when so noted and determined by the Organizing Authority. Damages not attributed to a single team will be deducted from the damage deposits of the teams which used the affected boat during the regatta, in equal shares, and the balance returned by the Organizing Authority. A detailed accounting of expended funds will be supplied to each team that did not receive the full amount back.
6. Damage deposits will be refunded within 30 days after the event to all skippers who are clear of outstanding protest hearings, and outstanding damage reports on the Boat Inspection Forms.

