



The National Hospice Regatta Alliance
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Notice of Race

2007 Hospice Regattas National Championship

11 – 13 May, 2007
Annapolis, Maryland

The National Hospice Regatta Alliance is the organizing authority for this Championship Regatta.

1.0 Rules

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (*RRS*), including only the **US SAILING** Prescriptions for Rules 61.4, 68, 76.1 and Appendix F, the Rules of the J/105 Class as modified by the local fleet (Fleet 3), this Notice of Race, and by the Sailing Instructions.

2.0 Advertising:

2.1 The regatta is classified as Category A (see ISAF Regulation 20).

3.0 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 8th Annual Hospice Regattas National Championship. Each skipper must be a member of US SAILING, however membership in the J/105 class association is not required.
- 3.2 Entries shall be submitted on the official regatta entry form, and must be received by 15 March, 2007. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of Organizing Authority. Completed entry forms shall be mailed to: Linda Ambrose, 1106 Van Buren Street, Annapolis, MD, 21403. Entry includes five (5) social passes. Additional social passes can be purchased for \$30 per person, per night.

4.0 Classification:

4.1 The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply. All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor's Classification Code from ISAF; this can be done online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Composite crew lists will be published online and distributed at the competitors meeting.

5.0 Fees: Required fees are as follows:

5.1 Entrance Fee: An entrance fee of \$325.00 is due with the completed registration forms. This year, a donation has been made to lower the Entrance Fee. Entrance fee check should be made out to National Hospice Regatta Alliance and mailed to Linda Ambrose.

Entrance Fee:	\$325.00
Private Donation:	-\$200.00
Total Due:	\$125.00

5.2 Security Deposit: The National Hospice Regatta Alliance will obtain borrowed boat insurance for each boat. Each skipper is responsible for a \$1,000.00 damage deductible for the borrowed boat. See **Appendix "A"** below for Insurance and security deposit details.

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6.0 Registration:

6.1 All designated skippers and crewmembers must report to the Race Headquarters on Friday, May 11th, between 0800 and 0930. Crew lists and waiver of liability forms will be required to be submitted at registration. No boat may compete without a completed waiver form for the skipper and all crewmembers. In the event of crew substitution during the regatta, the new crewmember must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Race Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.

7.0 Schedule:

7.1 Multiple races are scheduled to be sailed over the three days. An elimination series of races will be run on the first two days, with a Championship final on the third day. The Warning signal for the first race on Friday, May 11th will be sounded at 1155. The Warning signal for the first race Saturday, and Sunday will be sounded at 1055. No warning signal will be made later than 1400 hours on Sunday, May 13th.

7.2 Daily Schedule

May 11th	0800 - 0930	Registration at Race Headquarters
Friday	0930	Competitors' Meeting
	1100	Rendezvous near Severn River R "2"
	1155	Race 1 Warning signal
	1800 - 1930	Informal after race party
May 12th	1000	Rendezvous near Severn River R "2"
Saturday	1055	First Warning signal
	1830 - 2130	Championship Reception
May 13th	1000	Rendezvous near Severn River R "2"
Sunday	1055	First Warning signal -
	1530	*No Warning signal will be made later than 1400 hours. Championship Awards Presentations

8.0 Sailing Instructions:

8.1 Sailing instructions will be available on the National Hospice Regatta Alliance website (www.hospiceregattas.org) by May 1st, 2006, and will be distributed at registration. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board at Race Headquarters. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the official notice board for any amendments or other notices.

9.0 Venue:

9.1 Race Headquarters will be at the Eastport Yacht Club, 317 First Street, Annapolis, MD 21403.

10.0 The Courses:

10.1 Windward-leeward drop-mark courses will be sailed on the Chesapeake Bay near Annapolis. Offset marks and leeward gates may be used.

11.0 Penalty System:

11.1 RRS 44 - Penalties for Breaking Rules of RRS Part 2 is changed in that if a boat breaks a rule of 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 Part 2 within the 2 boat length zone, in which case the penalty shall be **either** a Two Turns Penalty **or** a 50% scoring penalty. (This changes RRS 44.)

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11.2 All boats that have taken a penalty under *RRS* Part 44.2 or Part 44.3 shall make a written declaration to the Race Committee prior to the end of protest time. (This changes *RRS* 44.2 and *RRS* 44.3.)

12.0 Alternate Penalty:

12.1 ***RRS* 44.1** is changed to allow a boat to take a Scoring Penalty for a breach of a rule of Part 2 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 50% of the number of boats entered (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.)

13.0 Scoring:

13.1 An elimination series will be held on Friday and Saturday. The top 12 teams placing in the elimination series will sail in the Championship Regatta on Sunday.

13.2 Up to 8 (eight) races are scheduled for the elimination series, of which 1 (one) race for each Group/Team must be completed to constitute the elimination series.

13.3 The elimination series will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the *RRS* using the Low Point System, except that $\frac{3}{4}$ point will be awarded for first place. There will be no scores excluded. (This changes *RRS* Appendix A2.)

13.4 Up to 3 races are scheduled for the Championship Regatta, of which 1 (one) race shall be completed to constitute the Championship.

13.5 The Championship Regatta will be scored as provided in Appendix A of the *RRS* using the Low Point System, except that $\frac{3}{4}$ point will be awarded for first place. There will be no scores excluded. (This changes *RRS* Appendix A2.)

14.0 Haul – Out Restrictions:

14.1 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 Race Committee.

15.0 Prizes: Prizes will be given as follows:

15.1 Daily winner of each race will receive a prize.

15.2 Series prizes will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams.

15.3 The overall winner will have their name engraved on the National Hospice Regattas National Championship Trophy Perpetual Cup, kept by the Organizing Authority.

16.0 Boat Assignments:

16.1 Boat assignments will be determined by a drawing at the Friday, May 11th Competitors' Meeting. A boat rotation sequence will be announced at the competitors meeting.

17.0 Crew Limitations:

17.1 The Championship Regatta is open to qualified crews that contain no more than one Group 3 Professional Competitor, as defined by the ISAF Classification system. A group 3 competitor may not steer during a race unless he is the selected competitor from his nominating Hospice Regatta. The crew number limit is 6, including the boat owner or owner's representative. There will be no crew weight limit. The boat owner or owner's representative may not steer or trim a sheet during a race.

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18.0 Further Information:

18.1 Additional regatta information can be found at www.hospiceregattas.org, or by contacting the committee members listed below.

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Borrowed Boat Insurance

1. **The National Hospice Regatta Alliance** will obtain borrowed boat insurance for each borrowed 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. Deductible deposits must be cash, check or by credit card. Checks should be made out to National Hospice Regatta Alliance.
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 Borrowed Boat Inspection Form shall be submitted by a representative of each competing team following racing on each day (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. The Borrowed Boat Insurance Program provides protection **ONLY** to those owners who lend 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 J-105 Inspection sheet, 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 effected 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 or Deductible 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 J-105 Borrowed Boat Inspection sheets.