

# NOTICE OF RACE

## 2022 Ensign National Championship



**Nyack Boat Club  
Nyack, NY  
August 6-11, 2022**

**1 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** – The organizing authorities are the Ensign Class Association, Ensign Fleet 51, and the Nyack Boat Club.

**2 HEADQUARTERS** - Nyack Boat Club, 59 Gedney St., Nyack NY 10960

### **3 RULES**

3.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024. Class Rules will not be altered by the NOR or Sailing Instructions.

3.2 Participating boats shall be required to apply bow numbers to both sides of the bow for the duration of the regatta, commencing immediately following registration until one hour after the finish of the last race. The Organizing Authority will provide the bow decals and the bow numbers. Sponsor Decals may also be provided. Advertising outside of Sponsor Decals is Prohibited.

3.3 Each boat shall be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channel 71.

### **4 ELIGIBILITY**

4.1 Entry is open to all members of the Ensign Class Association (ECA) who meet the eligibility requirements of the class rules, Part III, section 6.

4.2 Those not qualifying under section 4.1 of this Notice of Race may apply to the ECA Governing Board for an exemption; such applications must be received by the ECA Governing Board no later than **June 12, 2022**.

### **5 ENTRY AND REGISTRATION**

5.1 Entries shall be made via the official page on [www.Ensignclass.com](http://www.Ensignclass.com). A payment of \$425 can be made electronically or mailed to: Charles McGillick, Treasurer. The early entry rate of \$425 is available for entries received on or before **July 3, 2022**. U.S. Sailing members are entitled to a \$25.00 discount on the entry fee. Entries received after July 3, 2022 require the payment of an additional late fee of \$50. No entries will be accepted after 1600 on August 7, 2022.

5.2 There will be two divisions, Spinnaker and JAM. The same entry fee and process applies to both.

5.3 The entry form is valid when accompanied by the applicable entry fee.

5.3 All owners shall be required to sign a declaration that their boat fully complies with Class Rules and that they will abide by said Class Rules while racing.

5.4 Entry fee includes: launch, haul out, mast in and out, trailer storage, dockage or mooring (may be rafting).

**5.5 Measurement** - Only sails without a measurement stamp from a prior Ensign Nationals will be measured.

All sails to be used will be checked for the presence of a measurement stamp. Only two suits of sails may be measured. The organizing authority reserves the right to weigh or measure any part of a participant's boat and/or rigging at any time or in the event of a protest.

## 6 SCHEDULE OF RACING EVENTS

Sat. Aug. 6	0900-1800	Registration and Measurement
Sun. Aug. 7	0900-1800	Registration and Measurement
Mon. Aug. 8	1000	Skipper's Meeting at NBC Patio
	1130	Practice Race Warning signal
	1230	1 <sup>st</sup> Championship Race Warning Signal
		Up to two races back-to-back
Tue. Aug. 9	1030	Up to three races back-to-back
Wed. Aug. 10	1030	Up to three races back-to-back
Thu. Aug. 11	1030	Up to three races back-to-back
		No Warning Signals after 1500 on Thu. Aug. 11.
	1830	Awards

6.1 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to modify the above schedule according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen reasons.

## 7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration. The Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto will be posted on the Notice Board on the South Porch of the NBC club house.

## 8 RACING AREA AND COURSES

The racing area will be the Hudson River north of the Mario Cuomo Bridge. Courses will be windward/leeward as diagrammed in the Sailing Instructions.

## 9 SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix A of the RRS shall apply. Boats scored as "TLE" will be scored according to Ensign Class Rules, Part III, Rule 12C; this amends RRS Appendix A4.2. One throw-out will be allowed when five or more races have been sailed. The series will be valid if at least one race is completed.

## 10 PRIZES

The **Pearson Perpetual Ensign Trophy**, the **First Place JAM Trophy**, the **Most Beautiful Ensign Trophy**, the **Faget Trophy**, the **Ray and Ann Torpey Award**, and the **Doug Wood Mid-Fleet Award** will be awarded according to the ECA rules, Part III, section 3. Additionally, trophies will be awarded for first through tenth place overall and a Youth Championship Award will be presented if there are participants.

## 11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled during the regatta without written permission of the Jury.

Cleaning activities not involving hauling out are permitted.

## 12 DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021/2024, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the seaworthiness of their yacht, the rigging, the effects of Covid or related diseases, the crew's ability and the safety of equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons or their belongings, to themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility the Organizing Authorities, all event sponsors and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the comportment of the yacht's crew, representatives and guests.

Competitors are to be acquainted with The RRS Fundamental Rule 3 "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

In any case, competitors agree that the Organizing Authorities, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

In accordance with CDC Guidelines current at time of writing, in the event that the COVID Pandemic is ongoing at the time of the regatta, all competitors will be required to show proof of vaccination or negative Covid PCR test taken within 72 hours of arrival at the regatta site. In that event, masks will be required inside the clubhouse, and strongly recommended on the Launch.

### **13 FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS –**

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