



**2023 Maine State 420 Championships and
RS Tera East Coast Championships
August 8-9, 2023**



Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club
Boothbay Harbor, Maine

NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

The Notation '[DPJ]' in a Rule means that the penalty for a breach of the rule, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
The Notation '[NPJ]' in a Rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024) (RRS)*.
- 1.2 All boats shall comply with Federal and State safety requirements.
- 1.3 C420 and RS Tera Class Rules shall apply to their respective fleets.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online on the event website on or before August 7, 2023.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at https://www.regattaman.com/new_event_page.php?race_id=1130&yr=2023&cancel_dest=calendar.php
- 3.2 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 3.3 All boats with coaches and race committees shall have VHF radios to communicate on the water. For safety reasons, coach boats shall monitor the VHF channels stated in the Sailing Instructions (SIs).

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entry is open to C420s and RS Teras.
- 4.2 All competitors shall check in onsite to complete registration.
- 4.3 The number of competitors is limited by race area as follows; this can be changed at the discretion of the OA:
 - 4.3.1 RS Tera: 40 boats
 - 4.3.2 C420 Champion Fleet: 50 boats
- 4.4 Competitors in RS Teras must not turn 18 years old by the date of the event.
- 4.5 Competitors in C420s must not turn 22 years old by the date of the event.

- 4.6 Please reserve Green Fleet for sailors with two years or less experience.
- 4.7 Boats may enter the event by registering online at https://www.regattaman.com/new_event_page.php?race_id=1130&yr=2023&cancel_dest=calendar.php

5 FEES

- 5.1 The required fee for each competitor is \$85; both the skipper and the crew of a C420 must pay the required fee.
- 5.2 Entries received after August 1, 2023, shall be subject to a \$100 fee.
- 5.3 A competitor, whether crew or skipper, for whom a registration fee has not been paid, will not be scored.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Monday August 7th, 2023.

- 6.1.1 Check-in will be at the Boothbay Harbor Yacht Club from 4PM – 8PM. Coach boats may be launched and boats staged after 4PM.

6.2 Tuesday, August 8, 2023

- 6.2.1 7:00 - 8:30 AM – Morning Check-in and sailors collect lunches
- 6.2.2 9:00 – Competitors' Meeting
- 6.2.3 10:30 – Intended first warning signal
- 6.2.4 4:30 – No warning will be made after this time
- 6.2.5 Pizza served to competitors as they come off the water

6.3 Wednesday, August 9, 2023

- 6.3.1 7:30 – 8:30 – Sailors collect lunches
- 6.3.2 8:30 – Competitors' Meeting
- 6.3.3 10:00 – Intended first warning signal
- 6.3.4 3:30 – No warning will be made after this time
- 6.3.5 Awards will be presented as soon as possible after the completion of racing and the completion protest/redress hearings that might have a bearing on the outcome of the top finishers.

7 VENUE

- 7.1 The races shall be held in Booth Bay, Linekin Bay and the surrounding waters.

8 COURSE

- 8.1 The intended courses will be windward/leeward courses or modified Olympic courses.
- 8.2 All courses will be at the discretion of the race committee and OA.
- 8.3 Courses will be further specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9 PROTESTS

- 9.1 This event will be using an expedited hearing process for protests and redress hearings. This changes RRS 63.2 and 63.3.
- 9.2 The US Sailing prescription to RRS 63.2 is deleted.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One race shall constitute a series.
- 10.2 When 6 or more races are sailed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes rule A2.1.
- 10.3 The low point scoring system, RRS Appendix A4, shall be used.
- 10.4 Ties will be broken in strict accordance with RRS Appendix A7.

11 MEASUREMENT

- 11.1 The only measurement requirement is that the competitor ensures by their entry that their boat and equipment comply with applicable class measurement rules.

12 SAFETY [DP]

- 12.1 A boat retiring from a race shall notify a Race Committee vessel before leaving the course as soon as practical.
- 12.2 All competitors must comply with RRS 40.1, with the additional requirement that all PFDs must meet US Coast Guard requirements.
- 12.3 Each competitor is required to have an adult responsible for him/her who may be a coach or representative from that competitor's club or a designated on the water coach.
- 12.4 If under 18, parents/guardians are responsible for the safety of the sailor. It is the responsibility solely of the parents/guardians of the sailor to decide if the sailor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their sailor.

13 SUPPORT BOATS AND COACH BOATS [NP]

- 13.1 In support of safety for all competitors, coaches shall check in and be identified by a clearly displayed flag provided by the OA.
- 13.2 Coach and other competitor support boats will be asked to motor at a speed not creating any wake and at least 100 feet from any competitor on any part of the course and must be outside any part of the course.
- 13.3 Any boat not displaying a flag is asked to remain at least 200 yards from the racing area.
- 13.4 Coach and support power boats should be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-off switch ("kill switch") which should remain attached to the support person at the helm at all times while the engine is running.
- 13.5 Support persons and coaches are to monitor their course VHF channel and assist if requested by the Race Committee. U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets must be worn by all coaches, safety & support boat personnel.

14 RISK STATEMENT / DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

14.2 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. Attention is drawn to RRS 46 and WSOSR 1.02.1.

15 INSURANCE [NP]

15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

16 PRIZES

16.1 Awards for first, second, and third place will be given to fleets that meet the minimum required fleet size of six boats. Other trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

16.2 The award of the Maine State C420 perpetual trophy will be governed by a certification from each Maine based organization that the participant, while sailing as a member of that organization, is not a visiting sailor but is, in fact, an active participant in its regular programs.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

17.1 As one of the Clean Regatta policies all sailors, coaches & families are asked to bring reusable water bottles and a reusable dry-bag for lunches to reduce waste. Competitors are reminded of RRS 47 which states that competitors "shall not intentionally put trash in the water." [DP]

17.2 Please observe BHYC's no vaping or tobacco products on site policy.

17.3 Please see the Regatta Website for important information on parking, boat launching, trailer storage, more detailed event schedule, race results, regatta photos and other communications and updates.

17.4 For further information contact BHYC Youth Sailing Director, Chris Liberti at libertichris@gmail.com.