



NOTICE OF RACE
2024 Finn NA Prep Regatta
Hosted by Manchester Yacht Club, Manchester MA
September 14 - 15, 2024

1. **Safety:** It shall be the responsibility of each competitor to decide whether to start or continue a race. Competitors are encouraged to wear Coast Guard approved PFD at all times while on the water. Each boat must carry safety equipment prescribed by class rules.
2. **Organizing Authority and Rules:** The Manchester Yacht Club (MYC) is the organization authority for this event. All racing events sanctioned by MYC are governed by the Rules of Sailing (RRS), the prescription of the United States Sailing Association, and rules of the Finn Class, except as any posted on the Official Notice Board.
3. **Notices to Competitors** will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board located in the MYC club room. MYC has a purified water dispenser to fill reusable water bottles.
4. **Appendix P5** will apply. Finn Class Rule C.1.1 Flag O @ 10 knots or higher to permit downwind pumping/rocking/ooching: Flag R to restrict will be in effect and explained in the Sailing Instructions.
5. **Eligibility:** The regatta is open to all Finn competitors and must register for the regatta.
6. **Boat storage, rigging, launching, racing venue:** MYC has a field for boat, dolly and trailer storage. There is also a fresh water supply. Launching via dolly will be at the beach next to the “Chowder House” which is approximately 200 yards from the MYC field. The racing venue will be open ocean to the East of Bakers Island and South of House Island and Gales Ledge nun. This venue is approximately 2NM from launching site. The prevailing summer breeze is usually from the SW but when transitioning to fall conditions it can vary. There is plenty of room in this venue so that courses can be set without any “land effects”.
7. **Competitors are welcome to arrive on Friday Sep 13 to practice.** There will be an evening cookout at MYC.
8. **Fee:** The entry fee is \$100 for each skipper. “Meal plan” for non-sailors is \$50. The fee includes breakfast (coffee, donuts), Friday evening Gam (cookout) at MYC, beverage tickets, Saturday evening Pizza and beverage tickets. Sunday evening Chowder, finger food and beverage tickets.

9. Schedule of Events:

Friday Sept 13:

Competitors can arrive, rig boats and practice sailing.
1800 Cookout at MYC and bar will be open.

Saturday Sept 14:

0800 Donuts and Coffee
0700 - 0900 Check in
0900 Skipper's Meeting
1000 Harbor Start and tow
1600 No sequence to commence after 1600
1800 Pizza at MYC and bar will be open.

Sunday Sep 15:

0800 Donuts and Coffee
0900 Harbor Start and tow
1400 No sequence to commence after 1400
1600 MYC Chowder and Awards in conjunction with MYC Fall series. Bar will be open.

10. **Race Scoring:** One race constitutes a regatta. The Low-Point Scoring System (RRS Appendix A) will be used. If there are 6 races or more races, then will be one throw-out. Planning on 7 - 9 Races Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd.
11. **Accommodations:** The club has a separate shower stall. MYC will be looking to the membership for overnight accommodations.
12. **Finn Class Measurement:** All equipment must be class legal and possess a valid measurement certificate and must comply with Class rules. Emphasis is drawn to Finn Class Rule C 5.2.1 (a) stipulates a tow rope 8 m minimum, not less than 8mm diameter and capable of floating.
13. **Disclaimer of Liability/Risk:** Competitors participation in the regatta entirely at their own risk (See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race)