

# 2011 BUZZARDS BAY REGATTA

## NOTICE OF RACE

August 5, 6 & 7, 2011

Organizing Authority: Buzzards Bay Regatta, Inc.

Host: New Bedford Yacht Club ("NBYC"), Padanaram, MA 02748

### 1.0 Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* ("RRS").
- 1.2 The PHRF, NEMA Multihull, and J/80 classes will be required to comply with the current *ISAF Special Regulations Governing Offshore and Oceanic Racing including US SAILING Prescriptions* for a Category 5 race.
- 1.3 All PHRF boats will be required to comply with the PHRF-New England crew number limits. (See <http://www.phrfne.org/page/569>).
- 1.4 Club 420, Laser, Laser Radial, F18, Vanguard 15 and 505 competitors will be required to wear a properly fastened non-inflatable USCG-approved personal flotation device at all times except while changing clothes. All other competitors shall wear a properly fastened USCG-approved personal flotation device while starting and finishing, and at all other times unless directed otherwise by the captain.
- 1.5 RRS 63 and 64 will be changed to permit arbitration to be used to resolve protests.
- 1.6 All competitors and support personnel shall comply with the parking, launching and hauling, and support boat regulations, and shall comply with reasonable requests from regatta officials. The competitor and the boat with which he is associated may be penalized at the discretion of the protest committee for breaches of this rule.
- 1.7 By participating in this regatta, each competitor grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television or other reproductions of him or her made during the period of the regatta without compensation.

### 2.0 Eligibility & Sailing Location

- 2.1 Boats of the following classes are eligible to enter:
  - Laser & Laser Masters\*
  - Laser Radial\*
  - \*may be limited to 120 boats total for all Lasers
  - Club 420 (may be limited to 140 boats)

- Vanguard 15
  - Rhodes 19
  - Ensign
  - Etchells 22,
  - 505
  - J/24
  - J/80
  - F18
  - PHRF Cruising, non-spinnaker (2011 PHRF-NE certificate required, with a rating, without spinnaker, of 250 or less)
  - PHRF Racing (2011 PHRF-NE certificate required, with a rating, with spinnaker, of 250 or less)
  - Multihull (2011 New England Multihull Association certificate required, with a rating of 100 or less)
- 2.2 A minimum of ten (10) paid entries per one-design class may be required by 1700 on July 29. If a one-design class is eliminated due to inadequate numbers, entrants from that class that meet the eligibility requirements may be registered in a suitable handicap class.
- 2.3 Each skipper shall be a current member of US SAILING, or of his or her own member national authority.
- 2.4 All competitors (skippers and, where applicable, crew) in the Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420, and Vanguard 15 classes, and all skippers in other classes, shall be at least 14 years old on August 5, 2011 (i.e., born on or before August 5, 1997).
- 2.5 Any competitor (skipper or crew) who will be under 18 years of age at any time during the regatta shall provide a release for medical care signed by a parent or guardian.

### **3.0 Entry, Check-in & Sailing Instruction Availability**

- 3.1 Entries will be accepted in the order that complete entry forms, fees and certificates (if required) are received. In the event that a class has to start a wait list, incomplete registrants will be contacted to complete their applications. If the applications are still not complete, the entry will be removed from the list to make room for those on the wait list who have completed applications.
- 3.2 Entries for handicapped classes will not be accepted after 1200 on Thursday, August 4
- 3.3 Advance entry, including the payment of the entry fee, is on-line only. Registration is accessible at <http://www.buzzardsbayregatta.com> and begins on March 1st.
- 3.4 Advance entry closes at 1200 on Thursday, August 4.
- 3.5 An entry is not recognized as attending the regatta until a representative of each boat has checked in at NBYC during one of the times listed in NOR 5.0.
- 3.6 Club 420s, Lasers and Laser Radials shall, before checking in, also present their numbered sails to a regatta representative at NBYC, receive a signed sail number verification form, and present that form at check-in during one of the

times listed in NOR 5.0. All sail numbers must match those number declared at check-in or the boat will be scored DNC

- 3.7 Preliminary Sailing Instructions will be available online, and final Sailing Instructions will be available at check-in.

#### 4.0 Entry Fees and Payment

- 4.1 Entry fees for entries **received** by Sunday, July 24, are:  
\$95 for Laser (including Laser Masters) & Laser Radial  
\$120 for Club 420, Vanguard 15, F18, and 505.  
\$150 for J/24, J/80, Rhodes 19, Ensign and Etchells 22.  
\$190 for PHRF Racing, PHRF Cruising, and Multihull.  
Entries received after Sunday, July 24, shall include an additional late entry fee of \$50.
- 4.2 Entry fees are non-refundable, unless the class does not have sufficient entries to participate. See NOR 2.2.

#### 5.0 Schedule

Tuesday, March 1st		On line registration opens
Monday, July 25		Late registration fees begin to apply (all classes)
Thursday, August 4	1200	Handicapped boat registration ends
Thursday, August 4	1200	Advance registration ends
	1600-2030	On-site check-in and sail number verification (see NOR 3.5 & 3.6) at NBYC for boats registered in advance
	1600-2030	On-site registration at NBYC <b>only</b> for one-design classes that are not fully subscribed
Friday, August 5	0700-0830	On-site check-in and sail number verification (see NOR 3.5 & 3.6) at NBYC for boats registered in advance.
	0700-0830	On-site registration at NBYC <b>only</b> for one-design classes that are not fully subscribed.
	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
Saturday, August 6	0700-0830	On-site check-in and sail number verification (see NOR 3.5 & 3.6) at NBYC for boats registered in advance.
		On-site registration at NBYC <b>only</b> for one-design classes that are not fully subscribed
	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
Sunday, August 7	1030	First Warning signal on each racing area
	1400	No Warning signal after this time
	ASAP	Prize giving at NBYC

## **6.0 Racing Areas and Courses**

- 6.1 The racing areas for all classes will be outside Padanaram Harbor in Buzzards Bay.

## **7.0 Scoring**

- 7.1 The Low-Point Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will be used.
- 7.2 A boat's series score will exclude her worst race score only if five (5) or more races are completed.
- 7.3 One race will constitute a series.
- 7.4 A boat racing with any sail number different from the number on her entry form (or as corrected in writing at check-in) will be scored "DNC" without a hearing. This changes RRS 63.1, A5 and G4.

## **8.0 Alternative Penalties**

- 8.1 For the Laser, Laser Radial, Club 420, Vanguard 15, 505, J/24, J/80 and Etchells 22 classes, the Two-Turns Penalty of RRS 44.2 will apply.
- 8.2 For Rhodes 19, Ensigns, F18, all PHRF and NEMA Multihulls, the Scoring Penalty of RRS 44.3 will apply.

## **9.0 Lunches**

- 9.1 The Organizing Authority will provide water and lunches (on the water) for the Club 420 class. The Organizing Authority will provide water and snacks (on the water) for the Laser (all), 505, F18 and Vanguard 15 classes.

## **10.0 Prizes**

- 10.1 One-Design Classes: Series prizes will be awarded first through fifth places in the Club 420, Laser and Laser Radial classes. For all other one-design classes, prizes will be awarded for first through third places.
- 10.2 Handicapped Classes: Series prizes will be awarded for first through third places in each class.
- 10.3 The Buzzards Bay Bowl will be awarded to the boat with the best overall performance, as determined by the Race Committee.

## **11.0 Radio Communications**

- 11.1 The race committee will use VHF radio for courtesy communications to boats in the following classes: all PHRF, Multihulls, Etchells and J/80's. All boats are urged to carry a VHF radio for use in emergencies, unless prohibited by their class rules

## 12.0 Contact Information

For further information please contact Buzzards Bay Regatta:

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fax 508-992-1299

mail: Buzzards Bay Regatta, c/o New Bedford Yacht Club, P. O. Box P-4 South Dartmouth, MA 02748.

### ENTRY CHECKLIST:

- ⇒ Completed on-line entry form, including sail number and US SAILING membership number.
- ⇒ Paid the entry fee on-line (also required to reserve entry), including the late fee if applicable.
- ⇒ For PHRF classes, submitted 2011 PHRF-NE rating certificate either by fax or by electronic upload by the August 4 deadline.
- ⇒ For Multihulls, submitted 2011 New England Multihull Association rating certificate either by fax or by electronic upload by the August 4 deadline.
- ⇒ Submitted a signed waiver of liability either by fax or by electronic upload.
- ⇒ For each competitor under 18, submitted (by fax or electronic upload) a release for medical care (available on the web site) signed by a parent or guardian.
- ⇒ Presented numbered sail(s) for number verification (Laser, Laser Radial, and Club 420 only); see NOR 5 for times and NOR 3.6.
- ⇒ Checked-in in person at NBYC; see NOR 5.0 for times and NOR 3.5.