

Halloween Team Race for the Halloween Bowl October 26 - 27, 2024 Organizing Authority: Eastern Yacht Club Marblehead, MA

# NOTICE OF RACE (NOR)

# 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.
- 1.2 Sonar-type boats will be provided and will be rigged for main and jib. When weather conditions permit, spinnakers will also be used.
- 1.3 Standing rigging, including mast blocking, shall not be adjusted except by direction of the OA.

# 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the Competitors Meeting on Saturday morning and may be posted to the regatta web page at: <u>www.easternyc.org</u> prior to the event.

# 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at: www.easternyc.org.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 9 and 72..
- 3.3 On the water the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio.
- 3.4 Broadcasts described in 8.2 will be binding.

## 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Eligibility is by invitation only.
- 4.2 The Entry Form (link here) and entry fees must be received by the Eastern Yacht Club (EYC) no later than July 1st, 2024 to confirm entry in the event.

## 5 FEES

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$2,000 per team and includes continental breakfast and lunch on Saturday and Sunday, dinner on Saturday night, and refreshments following sailing on Sunday afternoon. Extra dinner tickets may be purchased on site.
- 5.2 Payment may be made by check or credit card. Checks can be made out to Eastern Yacht Club and mailed to the club. To pay by credit card, please contact EYC at 781-631-1400 or <u>frontdesk@easternyc.org</u>.

# 6 CREW LIMITATIONS

- 6.1 Each competing team shall consist of skippers and crew for three boats, with three or four per boat. The OA may make an exception, allowing all-women teams or youth teams to sail with up to five per boat.
- 6.2 Skippers must be members or spouses or dependents of members of the club they represent by the time of the regatta. Each skipper shall be a member of US Sailing or their National Governing Body at the time of the event.
- 6.3 The majority of the crew aboard each boat shall be members or spouses or dependents of members of the club they represent.
- 6.4 Membership exemptions (exceptions to NoR 6.2 or 6.3) may be granted by the OA. Requests for exemptions shall be made in writing to the OA no later than October 18, 2024.
- 6.5 The combined weight of each boat's skipper and crew shall not exceed 725 pounds.
- 6.6 Teams are encouraged to wear matching uniforms while racing.

### 7 ADVERTISING

7.1 A boat and her crew shall comply with ISAF Regulations 20, Advertising Code.

### 8 FORMAT

- 8.1 The format and number of races will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Competitors Meeting.
- 8.2 The format may be adjusted by the OA due to weather and/or time considerations. This announcement may be made on land or by oral change on the water.

### 9 SCHEDULE

9.1 Saturday, October 26	0800 0900 1830	Registration & continental breakfast Competitors' meeting, racing to follow Cocktails, Dinner & Halloween Party (costumes strongly encouraged)
Sunday, October 27	0800 0900 1530	Continental breakfast Competitors' Meeting, racing to follow No Start Signal after this time, except that Start Signal(s) that sail-off or Final Round races may be started after this time Awards shortly after racing

#### 10 VENUE

- 10.1 Racing will take place in Marblehead Harbor or in Salem Sound, as close to the mouth of Marblehead Harbor as possible.
- 10.2 Shore activities will take place at the Eastern Yacht Club.

## 11 COURSES

- 11.1 Courses will be diagrammed in the Sailing Instructions and may include starboard roundings.
- 11.2 The marks that may be used are as follows: green tetrahedrons for start and finish, orange tetrahedrons for rounding marks.

#### 12 UMPIRING

12.1 All races will be umpired in accordance with Appendix D, as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

### 13 SCORING

13.1 Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

### 14 SAFETY

- 14.1 All competitors shall wear a PFD approved by either the US Coast Guard or the competitor's national authority at all times while on the water, except while adding or removing clothing.
- 14.2 Competitors shall provide their own PFD.

## 15 RISK STATEMENT

15.1 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.

### 16 WAVER AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT

- 16.1 All competitors must sign a waiver form.
- 16.2 All skippers will be required to provide proof of membership in US Sailing or their National Governing Body.
- 16.3 All skippers will be required to provide a US \$500 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information or EYC member numbers at registration.
- 16.4 The deposit is a per-incident maximum. If a skipper has more than one incident, he or she is then liable for up to US \$500 for each individual incident.
- 16.5 Skippers should be aware that while the Organizing Authority will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed and signed. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance and no one acknowledges responsibility (e.g., crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs will be charged to all the designated skippers on a prorated basis.

Competitors should note that this event is possible due to the generosity and cooperation of the Boston, Corinthian, and Pleon yacht clubs. In light of this, *any* contact between boats will be reviewed by umpires or members of the Organizing Authority and will likely result in scoring penalties or disqualifications.

#### 17. FURTHER INFORMATION

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