



Newport Model Sailing Club

**NOTICE OF RACE (V2 – 3/25/24)
DF95 Region One Championship
April 6 & 7, 2024
Hosted by: Newport Model Sailing Club**

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The 2024 DF95 R1 Championship Regatta is organized by Newport Model Sailing Club with the approval from American Model Yachting Association (AMYA), and the DF95 Class Owners Association.

1. RULES AND GOVERNANCE:

- 1.1. The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and Appendix E.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions.
- 1.3 The DF95 Class Rules.
- 1.4. The current applicable Heat Management System (HMS).
- 1.5. The Equipment Rules of Sailing (2021-2024).
- 1.6. The Sailing Instructions will prevail in case of conflict with this Notice of Race.

2. CHANGES TO RULES:

- 2.1. In RRS 90.3(e), replace “24 hours” with “15 minutes”.

3. ELIGIBILITY:

- 3.1. The competition is open to all registered boats of the DF95 Class.
- 3.2 All competitors shall be members of the AMYA and shall send in advance proof of current AMYA membership.
- 3.2. Competitors with disabilities: Competitors that require any form of help or special requirements should, prior to entry, contact the club to determine if the club is able to help with any such special requirements. The onus is on the competitor to establish whether the available facilities are adequate before deciding to enter the event.

4. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION:

- 4.1. All boats and equipment shall be inspected by the technical committee prior to racing in this event.
- 4.3. The Race Committee may extend the time for registration and inspection if there is a valid reason to do so.
- 4.4. No boat shall be eligible to race until it has been registered and has passed equipment inspection.
- 4.5. At the discretion of the Race Committee, checks of randomly selected boats may be conducted during the event to ensure that they comply with class rules.

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5. FREQUENCIES:

- 5.1. No Radio frequency conflicts will be allowed.
- 5.2. Permitted frequency bands are FCC-approved surface bands. Transmitters on 75 MHz must be narrow band certified. Radio frequencies will be allocated on a “first come first served” basis. Each competitor is required to have a minimum of three (3) additional frequencies available.
- 5.3. 2.4 GHZ radios are permitted and are exempt from RRS E2.4.

6. REGISTRATION AND FEES:

ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL OPEN February 17, 2024

- 6.1 The fee for the event per boat is \$80.00, non-refundable.
- 6.2 Registration will be limited to 55 entries.
- 6.3 Entry form and fees must be submitted by **04/01/2024**. After which the registration period is closed.
- 6.4 Payment can made via on line registration at: <https://www.NewportModelSailingClub.org>
- 6.5 The fee includes Saturday evening social with beer & wine and heavy hors d'oeuvres; and trophies to the Top 5 competitors
- 6.6. The Organizing Authority shall announce the official entry list no later than **04/01/2024**.

7. VENUE:

- 7.1. Sail Newport; 72 Fort Adams Drive, Newport, RI 02840.
- 7.2 Inspection and the official notice board will be in the lobby of the Sail Newport building.
- 7.3 Venue is a Rhode Island State Park with specific rules prohibiting alcoholic beverages on site. It is also a carry-in, carry-out venue concerning trash.

8. SCHEDULE:

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| Friday April 5 | 2:00pm-5:00pm | Check-in, Equipment Inspection, Practice. |
| Saturday April 6 | 8:00-10:00 AM 10:30 AM 11:00 AM | Check-in, Equipment Inspection Skipper's meeting First Warning Signal |
| | No race to start after 5:00pm or at the PRO's discretion. | |
| Sunday April 7 | 10:00 AM 10:30 AM | Skipper's meeting First Warning Signal |
| | No race to start after 3:00 PM or at the PRO's discretion | |

Awards presentation immediately following final race.

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9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

9.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available prior to the skippers meeting.

10. SCORING AND RACING SYSTEM:

10.1. The Regatta shall be raced and scored under the current Heat Management System HMS.

10.2. Five races are required to be completed to constitute the championship.

10.3. Boats finishing in an incorrect heat will not be allowed to sail in their assigned heat for that race and will be scored DNS for their correct heat.

11. PERSONAL SAIL NUMBERS:

11.1. Personal Sail Numbers will take precedence if there are numbering conflicts.

12. CONDUCT:

12.1. The PRO, all race officials and observers have been directed to record any incidents, which will be dealt with to the full extent available to the Protest Committee. Penalties available to the Protest Committee include exclusion from the race in question or subsequent races, exclusion from the regatta, or other action within the Committee's authority.

12.2 All Non-sailing competitors shall be required to undertake Observer duties.

17. MEDIA RIGHTS:

17.1. Competitors, owners of the boats agree to allow use of pictures and videos of persons and boats during the regatta in media, including commercials, press materials and all other promotional activities and press releases, unless it is notified by writing before submitting entry to the O.A.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

18.1. All those entering or taking part in this Championship do so at their own risk and responsibility. The Organizing Authority, The Newport Model Sailing Club, Sail Newport, regatta staff & race officers, and or any other parties involved in the organization of this event refuse all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury, or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and on the water, because of entering or participating in the event covered by the official Notice of Race. At all times, the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves including the decision to participate or continue shall rest with the competitors and participants. By entering this event, it is deemed that you accept these conditions. Competitors and participants are advised to ensure that they have adequate insurance that provides coverage for public liability and their injury in the Country and County of this event.

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19. RISK STATEMENT:

RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone." Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in any of the events covered by this NOR, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

1. They are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves and their boat to such inherent risk whilst taking part in the event whether afloat or ashore.
2. They accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions.
3. Their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in the event and they are fit to participate.

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