



Newport Model Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

DF95 Fall Classic

November 2-3, 2024

Hosted by: Newport Model Sailing Club

ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

The 2024 Fall Classic is organized by Newport Model Sailing Club.

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 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 boats in the DF95 Class.
- 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 DF95 boats are welcome and are expected to be in class compliance.
- 4.2. 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.

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 ~10/22/24

- 6.1 The fee for the event per boat is \$10.00, non-refundable.
- 6.2 Registration will be limited to 55 entries.
- 6.3 Entry form and fees must be submitted by 9am on the day racing commences
- 6.4 Payment can be made via online registration at: <https://www.NewportModelSailingClub.org>
- 6.5 The fee includes racing and awards for the top 3 finishers in each fleet

7. VENUE:

- 7.1. Sail Newport; 72 Fort Adams Drive, Newport, RI 02840.
- 7.2 Official notice board will be online on the regatta registration web page.
- 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 – take your own trash out of the park.



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8. SCHEDULE:

Saturday November 2	8:00-9:00 AM	Check-in & Practice
	9:00 AM	Skipper's meeting
	9:30 AM	First Warning Signal
	No race to start after 1:00pm or at the PRO's discretion.	
Sunday November 3	9:00 AM	Report & Practice
	9:30 AM	First Warning Signal
	No race to start after 1:00 PM or at the PRO's discretion.	
	Awards presentation immediately following final race.	

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

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

10. SCORING AND RACING SYSTEM:

10.1. Five races is required to be completed to constitute the regatta.

10.2. It is the intention that Saturday will be round robin racing with the fleet likely then split into Gold & Silver fleets on Sunday (if you can't make Saturday, come Sunday and race in the Silver fleet).

11. SAIL NUMBERS:

11.1. Order of registration 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 regatta 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.

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.