



CHAMPIONSHIP OF CHAMPIONS

October 3-6, 2019



Hosted by Stamford Yacht Club

95 Ocean Drive West ♦ Stamford, CT 06902

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Notice of Race

1. RULES

- 1.1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), by the [US Sailing Championship Conditions](#), [Championship of Champions Conditions](#) (referred to hereinafter as the Conditions), and by the [US Sailing Regulations](#), Sections 2, 4, 10 and 15.
- 1.1.2. RRS 60/1(a) is modified to prohibit a boat from protesting another boat for an alleged breach of a class rule.

2. CLASS

- 2.1. Ideal 18's will be provided and will be sailed in a "round robin" format.
- 2.2. The total number of crew aboard shall be 1 helmsperson plus 1 crew.
- 2.3. The regatta is not being conducted as a class sanctioned or class association event.

3. IDENTIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising and supplied by the organizing authority.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1 The one-design class represented by each competing sailor must be a current member of US Sailing at the time of application. All competitors must be current members of US Sailing. Proof of membership will be requested upon application and registration.
- 4.2 The applicant must be a 2018 or 2019 one-design class **U.S. National Champion, North American Champion, or World Champion** helmsperson.
- 4.3 The qualifying year runs August 1, 2018 to August 4, 2019. If a class championship is completed after August 4, 2019, the class champion will be eligible to apply for the 2020 Championship of Champions. If a current year champion has not been

established prior to the application deadline, the current standing class champion is eligible to apply. Refer to the Conditions, paragraph 3 and 4 for a detailed discussion of eligibility and selection.

5. APPLICATION AND SELECTION

- 5.1. Eligible class champions may apply for this event by submitting an online application and a non-refundable application fee of \$50.00 at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-championship-of-champions/> no later than August 17, 2019. The US Sailing Championship of Champions Committee will review all applications. Applications selected to participate will be notified no later than August 31, 2019. Entry fees are payable by Paypal to the Stamford Yacht Club when an applicant has been selected, notified and registers for the event. Up to nineteen (19) applicants will be invited to attend this event. The twentieth (20th) competitor will be an invited Mystery Guest.
- 5.2. Eligible late entries may be accepted or invited at the discretion of the US Sailing Championship of Champions Committee. Entries not invited by August 31, 2019 will be kept on a priority wait list and will be contacted in the order determined by U.S> Sailing if any of the initial entrants are unable to attend.

6. FEES

- 6.1. The entry fee is \$500 per boat and includes borrowed boat insurance, breakfast, lunches, dinners, parties, banquet (both skipper and crew) and any commemorative item that may be provided.
- 6.2. Entry fees are payable by Paypal to the Stamford Yacht Club and are due by September 7, 2019. Register information will be provided within the *invitation* to selected sailors. Entrants who cancel at the last minute and whose slot cannot be filled may not receive a refund.
- 6.3. Entry fees are not refundable after September 25, 2019.
- 6.4. A separate damage deposit fee of \$500.00 is required. This fee will be payable by credit card to Stamford Yacht Club and collected at registration.
- 6.5. A non-competitor accompanying a competitor may purchase meal tickets at the registration desk for \$40.00 per person for all dinners.
- 6.6. All participants under 18, must fill out and have signed all waivers, medical entry release forms and bring to registration check in. Forms will be available on the US Sailing event website: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-championship-of-champions/>

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1. Provisional Sailing Instructions will be posted on the US Sailing event website: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-championship-of-champions/>
- 7.2. Official Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the USSA event website: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2019-championship-of-champions/>

8. VENUE

Racing will be held within the waters of Long Island Sound southerly of Stamford Harbor.

9. COURSES

The courses will be windward/leeward or triangle or a combination of both.

10. PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday October 3	0930-1630	On-site registration and check-in
	1200-1300	Lunch
	1300-1630	Practice
	1800-Skippers Meeting	Meeting and dinner will follow
Friday October 4	0800	Breakfast
	0930	Warning signal – first race of the Day subsequent races and lunch Break will follow
Saturday October 5		Dinner or open night (TBD)
	0800	Breakfast
	0930	Warning signal – first race of the Day subsequent races and lunch Break will follow
Sunday October 6	1900	Dinner following racing
	0730	Breakfast
	0900	Warning signal- first race of the day Subsequent races will follow No race will begin after 1200 Lunch and Awards will follow the last race

11. SCORING

- 11.1. A complete round robin of races will be scheduled.
- 11.2. Appendix A2 is modified as follows:
 - 11.2.1. When fewer than six (6) races are completed, a competitor’s series score will be the total of race scores.
 - 11.2.2. When 6 to 11 races are completed, a competitor’s series score will be the total of that competitor’s race scores excluding the worse score.
 - 11.2.3. When 12 or more races have been completed a competitor’s series score will be the total of race scores excluding the two (2) worse scores.
- 11.3. Four (4) races are required to constitute the Regatta.

12. PRIZES

- 12.1. US Sailing medals will be awarded to the top three (3) teams.
- 12.2. The winning team will be awarded the Jack Brown Perpetual Trophy.

13. USE OF PERSONAL FLOTATION

Each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket that is of appropriate size for the sailor at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding or removing clothing.

14. HOUSING and HOTELS

Limited housing will be available to competitors in homes of SYC members. If you would like housing with a SYC member please contact the Event Chair COC@stamfordyc.com. US Sailing members are eligible for discounted hotel accommodations through IGH InterContinental Hotel Groups. Go to: <https://www.ussailing.org/membership/become-a-member/#membership-benefits-discounts>. This discount can only be booked through this site. Hotels in the area offering the US Sailing Member discount include:

Crown Plaza
Holiday Inn Express

15. COACHING

The Championship of Champions is a Grade 3 event as defined by US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat Policy. No private coaching of any competitor while on the water shall be permitted during the period October 3-6, 2019. Private spectator boats must meet the requirements as listed in the Sailing Instructions.

16. SPECTATOR BOATS

Limited spectator boats may be available.

17. TRAVEL

US Sailing members are eligible for discounted travel through United Airlines for this event. Go to: <https://www.ussailing.org/membership/become-a-member/#membership-benefits-discounts>. This discount can only be booked through this site.

18. CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES (US Sailing Regulation 10.03)

- 18.1. For Adult US Sailing championship events, no competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water, marijuana, or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law.
- 18.2. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing Championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water; marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or any alcoholic beverages.
- 18.3. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for protest. However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations. It shall follow the process described in the Championship's Code of Conduct. If a competitor found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series, and, where

practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. The competitor's boat shall be disqualified from all races of the series.

19. ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Except in an emergency, a boat racing shall neither make nor receive wireless communications that are not simultaneously available at no cost to all other boats. This includes cell phones.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

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