



**AYC Open-Bic Bash  
American Yacht Club  
August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY, 10580**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current version of The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The 2017 Rules for JSA of LIS (JSA) Events will apply.
- 1.3 Racing Rules listed below will be changed as indicated. The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other rules.
  - a. Rule 61 will be changed to require that immediately after finishing a race, without consultation with instructors, coaches or spectators, a boat shall notify the race committee finish boat of its intention to protest another boat and (if possible) provide the sail number of the protested boat
  - b. Rule 60.3 will be changed to permit the protest committee to protest a boat when, from its own observation or a report received from any source, it believes a competitor may have committed a breach of sportsmanship or the Rules for JSA Events.
  - c. Appendix T, Section B, Post-Race Penalties will apply.
  - d. [If the protest committee will be comprised of at least four judges, and one is an experienced arbitrator] Rule 63 will be amended to add: “63.9 The JSA Arbitration Procedure (as described in Appendix C of the 2017 Rules for JSA Events) shall apply to protests involving Part 2 rules.”
  - e. [Use only if there are on-the-water judges and Appendix P is in effect]: “Appendix P will apply, and is changed as follows: P2.2, “Second Penalty” will be changed to, “Second and Subsequent Penalties”. P2.3 will be deleted]

**2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 This regatta is open to all boats of the Open-Bic class that meet JSA eligibility requirements. As per class and Rules for JSA Events, all competitors are required to be members of their respective national class association. Proof of class association membership may be required for registration.
- 2.2 All participants shall be certified as competent for this event by either the head instructor or the program head of their member program.
- 2.3 If either the JSA weight or age requirement is not met, the sailor shall file the JSA underage/underweight permission request form with the regatta entry package., (see Rules for JSA Events 5.1, 6.1, 7.3 and 8.3). This permission form is subject to acceptance by the regatta chair.

- 2.4 The entry package must be received by American Yacht Club at 499 Stuyvesant Avenue, Rye, NY, 10580, no later than 4 PM on August 11, 2017. One check [or electronic payment] payable to American Yacht Club, must be drawn per club to cover all fees. Entries for this regatta will be accepted via the JSA database regatta registration facility; if that is used, it is still required that payment be received by the due date.
- 2.5 The entry package consists of the entry form, a completed JSA Standard Waiver and Medical Release Form for each competitor, and a single payment to cover all fees. The entry is not complete until all these elements have been received at the address above.
- 2.6 The entry forms and waivers can be submitted via the JSA online regatta registration capability. Please have your club administrator locate this regatta via the regattas tab in the JSA online database and follow the directions there. Payment for regatta fees must be received as directed by 2.5.

**3 FEES**

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$30.00 per sailor. There is no entry fee to send an instructor.
- 3.2 If late the entry fee will be \$45.00 per sailor.

**4 SCHEDULE**

- 4.1 **Registration:** All skippers, crews, and instructors shall appear in person at the registration table during the registration period. Instructors must also attend the instructors’ meeting to receive safety assignments.
- 4.2 The schedule of events is as follows: [Note: if appropriate for the venue, consider starting races later to take advantage of the breeze if it typically fills in late in the day.]

Day	Date	Time	Activity (examples)	Location (examples)
Tuesday	August 15, 2017	0830	Registration	Main Clubhouse
		0845	Measurement and equipment check	Dry-sail area
		0915	Instructors Meeting	Junior Clubhouse
		0930	Competitors Meeting	Junior Clubhouse
		1000	Harbor Start	
		1030	First Warning Signal	
		1400	Conclusion of racing	
			Presentation of awards	Main Clubhouse

- 4.3 No first warning signal will be made after 1345 on July 19th, 2017.

**5 MEASUREMENT, SAFETY AND EQUIPMENT**

- 5.1 All boats shall conform to their class rules and any applicable JSA safety or measurement rules. Boats are subject to inspection by the organizing authority or the judges at any time during the event.

- 5.2 **Personal Flotation Devices (PFDs):** In addition to the requirements of Rule 40 and its U.S. Prescription, a condition of entry and participation in this regatta sailor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) approved by the US Coast Guard that is 100% dependent on foam for floatation and the appropriate size for the wearer with whistle attached and properly secured at all times (except for brief periods to adjust clothing) while on the water or on the dock in accordance with Rules for JSA Events. This instruction also applies to all instructors. Failure to comply with JSA rules can result in disciplinary action being taken (see Section 14).
- 5.3 **Sail numbers:** Sail numbers shall be complete and clearly visible from both sides of the sail. Entries of boats not complying with this instruction may be rejected by the Organizing Authority. If racing has already started, boats not complying with this instruction will be subject to protest by the race committee only.
- 5.4 **JSA sail numbers:** Laser Standards and Laser Radials shall display a JSA sail number in accordance with Rules for JSA Events 7.4.

## 6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary sailing instructions may be available on line at [www.americanyc.org](http://www.americanyc.org) before the event. Final sailing instructions will be available at the on-site registration/check-in desk.

## 7 VENUE

The racing area will be the waters surrounding Milton Point in Rye, NY.

### THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will be described in the sailing instructions, and may include a triangle, windward-leeward-windward, and/or modified Olympic course.

## 8 PENALTY SYSTEM AND PROTESTS

- 8.1 The penalty for breaches of the Rules for JSA Events will be at the discretion of the protest committee and may be less than or greater than DSQ for one or more races. Please see Rules for JSA Events 11.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 Five races are scheduled. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 10 SUPPORT BOATS

- 10.1 Any club entering three or more boats shall supply a support boat equipped with a working VHF radio, an anchor and a first aid kit. An instructor, coach and/or other support personnel shall drive the support boat in accordance with Rules for JSA events 10.4 (d) and (e) and shall register with the organizing authority at registration to receive safety patrol assignments.
- 10.2 Spectator and support boats shall stay well clear of the race course area while boats are racing and shall monitor the VHF radio for updates and directives coming from the race committee.
- 10.3 If a club is not sending a support boat (i.e., a club is sending fewer than three boats), arrangements shall be made with another club to allow the instructor supervising those sailors to go out on the water. In no circumstances will competitors be allowed to sail without a designated instructor on the race course.

## 11 BOAT AND TRAILER STORAGE

- 11.1 All boats will be dry sailed.

## **12 PRIZES**

- 12.1 A sportsmanship trophy may be awarded at the discretion of the race committee.

## **13 PERSONAL CONDUCT**

- 13.1 All junior sailors and instructors are expected to behave in accordance with recognized principles of sportsmanship, good manners and fair play. A junior sailor or instructor may be disciplined as per Rules for JSA Events 11.2 for actions that include, but are not limited to, the following:
- a. swearing at, intimidating or harassing anyone, including teammates, on or off the water; or
  - b. stealing or borrowing without permission, anything that does not belong to them; or
  - c. possessing, consuming or being under the influence of alcohol, or controlled substances the possession of which is unlawful.
  - d. failure to wear a properly fastened PFD
  - e. failure to comply with curfew requirements or other conditions of the regatta
- 13.2 Please note that if an instructor is asked to leave a race course, all juniors for whom that instructor is responsible shall leave the race course as well unless other satisfactory supervisory arrangements are made.

## **14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 14.2 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, or any other organization (including the JSA or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 14.3 As a condition of the participation of any boat in any race or related activity sponsored or undertaken by the , the owner, helmsperson and each crewmember agree that the safety of the boat and the crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue to race is solely their responsibility. Responsibility for evaluating wind, sea and weather conditions rests with each competitor as does the responsibility for the safe condition and operation of their boat including safety equipment and rigging and for wearing a life jacket. Assistance from the race committee, patrol boats, or other support boats and from personnel aboard them is at the risk of the participant.

## **15 MEALS**

- 15.1 Lunch will be provided by American Yacht Club.

## **16 FURTHER INFORMATION**

The Notice of Regatta, Sailing Instructions, results and other information will be available on the American Yacht Club web site [americanyc.org](http://americanyc.org).

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