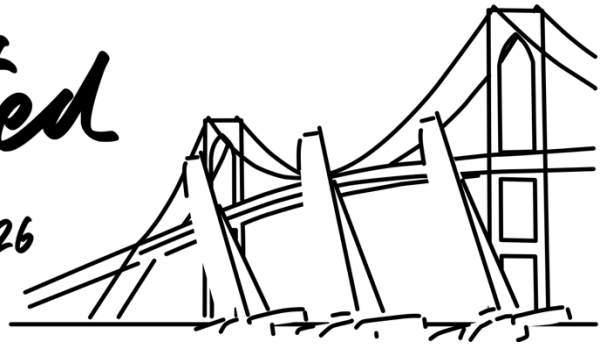


Newport Unlimited



Aug 15-16, 2026



2026_NEWPORT UNLIMITED REGATTA

NOTICE OF RACE v1.0

Co-Organizing Authorities: New England Multihull Association ("NEMA") and
Narragansett Adult Athletic Sailing Association ("NAASA")

1 Rules

The Newport Unlimited Regatta ("Regatta") will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") with US Sailing prescriptions thereto, this Notice of Race, and the NEMA Race Rules, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2 Documents and Information

This will be a combined event with NAASA (the F-18 fleet), who will be providing on-water race management and support.

2.1 NEMA registration is at <https://nemasail.org/event-6757226>

The NEMA event page is <https://newportyachtclub.org/regatta/es1R29jZQH>

Please check there for updates to this and other event documents

2.2 The NAASA event page is <https://www.yachtscoring.com/emenu/50896>

3 Eligibility

3.1 The Regatta is open to all boats with a valid 2026 NEMA rating certificate with a rating of 110 or less.

3.2 A minimum of five (5) paid entries may be required by the "Minimum Participation Deadline" for the Regatta to go forward, at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

4 Entry & Fees

See Schedule for deadlines

4.1 Entries will be accepted in the order that complete entry forms, fees, and certificates (if required) are received.

4.2 Early Bird registration fee: \$120

4.3 Regular registration fee: \$150

4.4 Entry fees are non-refundable, unless there are insufficient entries to hold the Regatta.

4.5 Dinner will be a-la-cart. Newport Yacht Club will host a Grill Night for us pending fair weather. In the event of foul weather, guests will be able to order from the bar menu.

5 Berthing

Book your berth ASAP, even before you commit to the event – harbor options will fill up early, but you can always cancel. See "Newport Unlimited Berthing Options" under "Documents and Forms" for detailed options. New this year: Event rate at Newport YC marina, and inexpensive daily club launch pass option.

6 Sailing Instructions

- 6.1** Sailing Instructions will be available no later than three days before the start of the regatta, and at the Skipper's Meeting.
- 6.2** Any changes to the Sailing Instructions before 5pm on the day prior to a race day the first start will be announced via email to registered participants. Later changes will be announced via VHF between 30 and 15 minutes prior to the first start, and via email if practicable.

7 Schedule

7.1 Registration Deadlines

2400 July 22 Early Bird Deadline
1700 July 30 Minimum participation deadline
2400 August 3 Registration closes

Contact the event chair for registration deadline waivers

7.2 Saturday, August 15

0900 Mandatory Skippers' Meeting (via Zoom)
1130 First Signal
Post Race Dinner at Newport Yacht Club

7.3 Sunday, August 16

1100 First Signal (may be postponed pending forecast – check email)
1400 No Warning Signal after this time
Post Race Results & Cash Bar at Newport Yacht Club

8 Racing Area & Courses

- 8.1** Racing on Saturday and Sunday will be conducted in Narragansett Bay.
- 8.2** Racing will consist of short-course racing one day and a distance race one day.
- 8.3** The expectation is for short-course on Saturday and distance on Sunday.
- 8.4** Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions and announced at the Skippers Meeting. The RC may at its discretion choose to switch days between the short course and long distance based on the weather.

9 Scoring

- 9.1** The race shall be scored using current year NEMA rating certificates and handicaps (time-on-time) for NEMA competitors.
- 9.2** The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A shall apply.
- 9.3** One race shall constitute a series.

10 Penalties

- 10.1** RRS 44.1 *is not changed*. The Two-Turns Penalty is in effect.
- 10.2** The penalty, if any, for an infringement of a rule other than a rule of Part 2 of the RRS shall be at the sole discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.1.

11 Prizes

- 11.1** Prizes shall be awarded for first and second places. If there are more than six competitors, a prize for third place shall be included.

12 Radio Communication

- 12.1 The Race Committee may use VHF radio for courtesy communications.
- 12.2 The VHF channel for courtesy communications is intended to be channel 73.
- 12.3 Any changes to this shall be announced at the Skipper's Meeting and may be changed on the water as well. VHF channel will be posted on the Signal Boat.

13 Contact Information

- 13.1 Regatta: On-site Race Chair Avram Dorfman, dorfman@est.org, (401) 225-4545

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Sailing is an inherently dangerous activity. All competitors are participating in the Regatta solely at their own risk. Competitors are advised to pay particular attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in the Regatta, all competitors agree to forever waive any and all claims against the New England Multihull Association, Newport Yacht Club, Sail Newport, the Race Committee, and their respective officers, directors, agents, employees, and volunteers (collectively, "Releasees"), including but not limited to claims arising from the Releasees' own negligence, arising out of or in connection with any aspect of the Regatta. By participating in the Regatta, all competitors agree to expressly assume any and all risks associated with participation in same, including risk of injury, damage, and loss of life, and all competitors further agree to assume financial responsibility for any injury or damage caused by themselves or their boat(s) to others and shall hold the Releasees harmless from any claim arising from that competitor's acts or omissions in connection with their participation in the Regatta.

Appendix I



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Newport Anchorages