



THE DINGHY RACE AUG 11th thru 12th

Wadawanuck Club & Mason's Island Yacht Club

ONE OF A KIND.

Club to Club distance race broken down into numerous Legs fought within the confines of Fishers Island Sound

1.0 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 [DP] VHF's are mandatory and GPS devices are allowed and encouraged. This changes C420 Class Rule C3.9.

2.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available after Friday, August 1st.

3.0 COMMUNICATION

3.1 The Official Notice Board and all other pertinent documents will be located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/CAWZp0IYBx>.

3.2 On the water, The Signal Boat will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors and monitor VHF 1005 (05A).

4.0 ELIGIBILITY ENTRY and FEES

4.1 The event is open to all boats of the C420 class that meet class safety requirements. Register via TheClubspot link in 3.1 of this NOR.

4.2 Entries received prior to June 15th shall receive a \$50 discount (\$200 Total).

Entries received between June 16th and July 31st shall be \$250.

Entries received after July 31st will be \$300.

No entries will be accepted after August 9th, 2025.

4.3 Entry Fee includes: sailor t-shirt, dolly and overnight gear transportation. Monday post race snacks and dinner, movie and stay over at MIYC, breakfast and Grab-n-Go snacks on Tuesday, Chalk Talk by special guest speaker, awards at Wadawanuck YC Tuesday afternoon. Except entries received after July 31st 2025, no t-shirt guarantee.

4.4 Entries are capped at 100 boats.

4.5 Coach boats will be required for every 4 boats. Thus one coach boat will be responsible for (4) C420s maximum. Contact The Dinghy Race organizers for options to join available coach boat slots, these will be on a first come first serve basis and will vary in fee depending on the level of service/coaching desired.

5.0 CREW LIMITATIONS

5.1 Skipper and crew must be between the age of 13 thru 20 yrs at the time of the regatta and associated with a coach/coachboat. This event is for experienced sailors.

5.2 An sailor less than 13 years of age, an exception waiver is available to fill out along with your sailing resume and sent to Annie Longo at anne@ecsa.net.

Acceptance is at the sole discretion of The Organizing Authority (OA).

6.0 ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and provided by The Organizing Authority (OA).

7.0 SCHEDULE

7.1 **Sunday, August 10th.** Boats may be dropped off at The Wadawanuck Club within the designated area in the attached map, see clubspot link for details.

7.2 Monday, August 11th DAY ONE:

9:00a Registration

10:30a Competitors Briefing at Wadawanuck Club

11:15a Coaches and Safety Boat Briefing

11:30a Harbor Start (Stonington Harbor)

4:00p Finish Day One at MIYC

- Lunch Break on water, BYO lunch
- Boats stored on dollies on land
- Snacks provided on shore post racing

6:00p Dinner and Lawn Games

8:30p Outdoor Movie, Popcorn and Dessert

10:30p Lights Out

- Stay Over at MIYC (Optional).

7.3 Tuesday, August 12th DAY TWO:

8:00a Breakfast at MIYC

- Grab-n-GO Snacks

9:00a Special Guest Speaker

10:00a Harbor Start

3:00p Finish DAY 2 at Wadawanuck Club

3:30p Awards

- Food Truck available on site.

8.0 CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

8.1 Per RRS 40.1, all competitors **shall wear a US Coast Guard approved PFD**, or a PFD approved by the US Coast Guard; properly secured at all times, from dock to dock except when temporarily adding or removing clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFDs do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy.

8.2 The 'Y' flag will not be flown.

9.0 VENUE(s)

9.1 DAY ONE begins at the Wadawanuck YC Monday morning and finishes up the day at the Mason's Island YC Monday afternoon.

9.2 Day TWO continues, beginning at the Mason's Island YC; Tuesday morning and finishing up at the Wadawanuck YC Tuesday afternoon.

9.3 **HOUSING FOR OVERNIGHT AT MASON'S ISLAND YACHT CLUB MIYC** has graciously offered to host those who wish to sleep over in their clubhouse or on the porch. Transportation of sleeping bags/overnight bags will be provided to/from Wadawanuck Club/MIYC. Staying overnight is not required and sailors may stay for dinner Tuesday night and depart MIYC by 7:30pm. It is MANDATORY that each team/club has one chaperone or coach per every 10 sailors. If sailors are sleeping over, this chaperone or coach will stay with the sailors at MIYC for the full overnight stay. There will be NO exceptions. There will be zero tolerance of smoking, drugs or alcohol.

9.4 Racing will take place in the waters of Fishers Island Sound using Drop Marks, Government Marks, Islands and other Geographical Entities.

10.0 COURSES

10.1 Marks of the course will be identified within a detailed chart provided in the Sailing Instructions.

10.2 Courses will be announced via VHF and displayed on the Signal Boat prior to the starting sequence.

11.0 SCORING

11.1 One completed race will constitute a series.

11.2 A boat's series score will be the total of her races scores.

12.0 MEDIA

12.1 By competing in this regatta you give the Organizing Authority (OA) and ESCA permission to use your image on social media and any future event advertising.

13.0 AWARDS

13.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows:

Overall Top 5 Boats	Outstanding Sportsmanship
Top Female Skipper	Youngest Skipper

14.0 RISK STATEMENT

14.1 All coaches, parents, guardians, and 'designated adults' are defined as support persons and are subject to the Racing Rules of Sailing. Support Persons are obliged under RRS 1.1 to 'give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.' Support Persons are obliged under rule 37 to monitor the Race Committee communication channel for search and rescue instructions when code flag V (white with red X) is displayed.

RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' Since the competitors in this event are minors, an adult (parent, guardian, or designated adult) is responsible for the safety of their competitor(s). It is the responsibility of this adult to decide if their competitor(s) should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. By allowing minor sailors to participate in this event, each support person/designated adult agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

Parents and guardians not personally attending any part of the event shall ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to supervise and make these decisions for their sailor(s).

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