



The 61st Sunfish™ North American Championship
Hosted by: Lavallette Yacht Club Lavallette, New Jersey
June 12-15, 2024 (Race Days: June 13-15)

Notice of Race

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, Prescriptions of US Sailing (<http://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/2021-2024-US-Prescriptions-Final.pdf>) and all current International Sunfish™ Class Association Class Rules (<https://www.sunfishclass.org/rulesandmeasurement>).
- 1.2. The regatta will conform to the World Sailing Regulation 20.
- 1.3. [DP] Each competitor shall wear a life jacket that is 100% dependent on foam for floatation and the appropriate size for a sailor, at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while adding and removing clothing. This modifies RRS 40.1.
- 1.4. US Sailing Prescriptions to 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.5. US Sailing Prescription Appendix V shall apply.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on the event web site on or before June 11, 2024.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/IFVoPQL6DV> and courtesy copies will be posted on the physical Notice Board at the Lavallette Yacht Club porch.
- 3.2. The race office is located at Lavallette Yacht Club.
- 3.3. [DP] All support boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on USA channels.
- 3.4. [DP] From the first preparatory signal until after the competitors complete the race, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats this includes any type of GPS capable watch or iWatch.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the International Sunfish™ Class Association.

- 4.2. All entrants shall be current members of their National ISCA Class Association (NICA). Non-U.S. Class members shall supply proof of membership when registering.
- 4.3. To be considered a Youth in the Sunfish™ North American Championship a competitor shall not turn age 19 in the year 2024. For the duration of the regatta, each competitor under 18 years old shall be supervised by the responsible adult named on the parent/guardian waiver.
- 4.4. Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line entry form available at <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/IFVoPQL6DV> and paying the required fees by 2359 hours EST May 17, 2024. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: complete entry and payment requirements by 1600 hours EST June 7, 2024.
- 4.5. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

5. FEES

5.1. Entry fees are as follows:

Early Entry Fee until 2359 hours EST May 17, 2024 US\$250.00

Early Entry Youth Fee until 2359 hours EST May 17, 2024 US\$175

Standard Fee until 1600 hours EST June 7, 2024 US\$300.00

Standard Youth Fee until 1600 hours EST June 7, 2024 US\$225

No on-site entries shall be permitted

Entry fees will include an event t-shirt, daily continental breakfast, daily lunch, post-race refreshments, dinner Wednesday and Friday

5.2. Guest fee: Breakfast & Lunch for 3 days: \$30, 2 Dinners: \$70

5.3. Other fees:

Support boats US\$ 50.00

Extra T-shirt: \$25

6. ADVERTISING

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

7. SCHEDULE

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

Regatta Venue Opens to All Competitors

Check In	1000 – 1900	LYC Entrance
Measurement	1000 – - 1700	LYC Beach
Practice Race	1500	First Warning
Post-Race Refreshments	After racing	LYC Porch
Opening Ceremony and Dinner	1800	LYC Porch

Thursday, June 13, 2024

Breakfast & Lunch Distribution	0700	LYC Porch
Follow-up Inspection/Measurement	0800-0900	LYC Beach

Coaches Meeting	0845	LYC Porch
Competitors Meeting	0900	LYC Porch
First Warning	1030	Barnegat Bay
Post-Race Refreshments	After Racing	LYC Porch

Friday, June 14, 2024

Breakfast & Lunch Distribution	0700	LYC Porch
First Warning	1030	Barnegat Bay
Post-Race Refreshments	After Racing	LYC Porch
US Sunfish™ Class Annual Meeting & Dinner	1830	LYC Porch

Saturday, June 15, 2024

Breakfast & Lunch Distribution	0700	LYC Porch
First Warning	1030	Barnegat Bay
No warning signal will be made after	1300	
Lunch and Awards Ceremony	After Racing	LYC Porch

7.1. One race shall constitute a championship. A maximum of eleven (11) races, in total, are scheduled for the regatta.

8. COURSE

Courses shall be as described in the Sailing Instructions.

9. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 9.1. Boats shall be available for equipment inspection on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 from 1000 to 1700 on the beach. Follow-up Inspection and Measurement will be conducted on Thursday June 13, 2024 from 0800-0900.
- 9.2. Boats may be selected for inspection at any time during the regatta by the ISCA Chief Measurer, or an appointed representative.
- 9.3. National letters are not required. But if used, national letters must comply with Class rules. Numbers and letters that have been drawn on the sail with permanent ink pen are not legal.
- 9.4. Failure or loss of chartered equipment will not be grounds for a request for redress.

10. VENUE

- 10.1. The racing shall be in Barnegat Bay near Lavallette Yacht Club, 124 Swan Point Road, Lavallette, NJ 08735
- 10.2. Competitors may be assigned specific staging venues prior to the start of the event.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. Scoring System: Appendix A2.1 is modified as follows:
 - 11.1.1. When fewer than five (5) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
 - 11.1.2. When from five (5) to eleven (11) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12. SUPPORT BOATS

- 12.1. [DP] All support boats must register and pay a \$50 registration fee by June 7, 2024. All support boats will receive an assigned storage spot and trailer parking spot.
- 12.2. [DP] Coach and Support Boats are required to monitor the course channel on a VHF radio and be available to assist with safety when requested. The specific channel will be stated in the sailing instructions. Code flag V will not be displayed. This changes RRS 37.
- 12.3. [DP] All support boats must display their identification flag at all times while afloat, including at the dock.
- 12.4. [DP] All support vessels shall be equipped with a functioning engine safety cut-off switch (kill switch) which should always remain attached to the support person while the engine is running. Failure to comply may be misconduct and/or result in expulsion from the event.
- 12.5. 13.7 [NP] Any support boats or trailers stored on site without written approval are subject to removal at the owner's expense.
- 12.6. [DP] Support boats shall remain 50 meters below the starting line between the preparatory and starting signals. After the starting signal, they may only proceed to the windward mark up the left side of the course and must return to the leeward mark via the same side. At the finish, they must remain 50 meters above or below (depending if it's a windward or leeward finish) the finish line.
- 12.7. No communication from the support boats (including verbal and hand signals) will be permitted after the preparatory signal until after the competitor completes the race.
- 12.8. If a support boat does not comply with applicable rules, restrictions and/or instructions, a discretionary penalty may be applied to some or all associated competitors and may include restrictions on the movement of their support boat.
- 12.9. [DP] Support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.

13. TOWING

- 13.1. Every vessel shall carry a 25-foot tow line that is not a halyard nor mainsheet and is minimum of ¼" in. diameter. Towing to and from the race course may only occur at the instruction of the RC and when there are sufficient regatta support boats to do the towing. Otherwise, no competitors shall be towed to or from the race course by a support vessel. All competitors must sail to the race course on their own.

14. CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS

- 14.1. Work is underway to attempt to provide Charter Boats. Sailors are encouraged to make plans to bring their own boats and equipment.
- 14.2. [NP] A chartered or loaned boat may carry national letters or a sail number in contravention of her class rules, provided that the race committee has approved her sail identification before the first race.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization 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.

16. SAFETY

- 16.1. All competitors, coaches and other support persons will be required to follow all local, state and federal regulations regarding health and safety. This may include masking, distancing, and gathering requirements. Additionally, the Organizing Authority may choose to impose additional regulations at their discretion. These additional regulations will be posted in the form of an amendment to the NOR
- 16.2. It is the responsibility solely of the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the competitors who are under the age of 18 at the start of the competition to decide if the competitor should sail in the weather and sea conditions that might arise during the event. Parents of competitors under 18 not personally attending any part of the event must ensure that another adult is authorized and designated to make these decisions for their child.

17. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of the policy limit of their homeowner's insurance policy or the equivalent thereof. Each participating boat is recommended to be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

18. PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows:

- Top Ten Finishers
- First Female Overall
- First Master Sailor (50-59)
- First Grand Master (60-69)
- First Youth Overall
- Sunfish™ Sportsmanship Trophy – For the person who displays those Corinthian traits of good sportsmanship, helping others, showing a real zest for the sport or contributing most to the event.
- Marco Polo Award – For the person who travels the longest distance to compete.

19. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recording, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

20. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 20.1. WATER BOTTLES - No single use water bottles will be provided. A filtered-water fountain is available for refillable containers.
- 20.2. Bring your own dry bag for lunch on the water.
- 20.3. HOUSING – Housing will be made available on a first come first served bases. Please contact Carrie Slavinski kenyahackett@hotmail.com for more information
- 20.4. For further information please contact Tim Faranetta gtfaranetta@gmail.com