



## 2026 Chubb US Youth Triplehanded Championship Sears Cup Area A Qualifier

July 9-10, 2026  
Marblehead, MA

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### NOTICE OF RACE (NoR)

Organizing Authority: US Sailing  
Host Club: Eastern Yacht Club

All times are US Eastern Time

Event Website:

<https://theclubspot.com/regatta/muZhjlem7N>

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*The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR 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 of the NoR means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule nor request redress based on that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 and 61.1.*

### RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Other documents that govern the event are:
  - (a) [DP] US Sailing Championship Conditions, available at <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/championship-conditions/>
  - (b) [DP] Conditions for the US Youth Triplehanded Championship (USYTC Conditions), available on the [event website](#).
  - (c) [NP] US Sailing Championship Code of Conduct, available at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/championship-conditions/>
  - (d) [DP] US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy, available at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/coaching-and-support-boat-policy/>. This is a Grade 1 coaching event.
  - (e) [DP] SafeSport Athlete Safety Handbook available at <https://www.ussailing.org/athlete-safety/toolkit/>
- 1.3 Under rule 70.3(a), there shall be no appeal of the decision of a protest or request for redress. However, a decision following a hearing under rule 69.2 may be appealed. A hearing re-opening process will be provided as detailed in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 Rule 60.4(a)(2) is changed as follows: (2) if it alleges a breach of a rule of Part 2 or rule 31 and is from a boat that was not involved in, and did not see, the incident, or

### 2 SAFETY

- 2.1 [DP] Each competitor shall wear a USCG-approved life jacket, in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt or bib may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging.

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 Prior to arriving at the event, all notices (including amendments to this NoR) will be posted on the <https://theclubspot.com/regatta/muZhjlem7N>
- 3.2 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.

### 4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 The sailing instructions will be available at registration prior to the first competitor's meeting.

### 5 ELIGIBILITY

- 5.1 Competitors meeting the following criteria are eligible to compete in U.S. Youth Triplehanded Championship Area Qualifier. All criteria shall be met prior to the start of the first race.
- 5.2 Competitors shall have reached their 13th birthday but not their 19th birthday during the calendar year of competition.
- 5.3 Competitors shall be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of application, registration, and of the event and not otherwise ineligible to compete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of the USOPC or its affiliated organizations.
- 5.4 All competitors shall be members of a Local Sailing Organization (LSO) and US Sailing. An LSO is defined to include a yacht club, sailing club, community sailing program or other sailing organization that is a member of US Sailing.
- 5.5 Crew member(s) shall be members of an LSO that is a member of US Sailing within the same US Sailing Area as the helm.
- 5.6 All members of the crew shall reside in or regularly compete in the same US Sailing Area where the club is geographically located.

### 6 BOATS AND EQUIPMENT

- 6.1 This Area Qualifier will be sailed in Sonars with a crew of four (4) people.
- 6.2 Boats will be provided by the Organizing Authority and host club. Initially, one boat will be reserved for each Regional Sailing Association (RSA) within the Area. Interested teams should contact their RSA to express interest. The deadline for RSA team registrations is 6/15/2026, after which the boats will be released on a first come, first serve basis. The boat rotation, if any, will be described in the Sailing Instructions.
- 6.3 [DP] The only gear, rigging, or equipment that a competitor may take aboard a boat is: a refillable water bottle, class-legal compass, flags, plastic bucket or bailer, normally equipped ditty-bag, personal effects, PFDs, VHF's and protective clothing.
- 6.4 [DP] GPS devices of all varieties are specifically banned.

### 7 ENTRY

- 7.1 Eligible teams may enter no later than 7/1/2026 at midnight by registering online and paying all required fees.
- 7.2 Late entries will not be accepted after 7/1/2026 after midnight.
- 7.3 A minimum of three (3) boats must be registered by the entry deadline of 7/1/2026, or the event will be rescheduled or cancelled at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 7.4 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all advance and on-site registration requirements and pay all fees.

### 8 FEES

- 8.1 Entry fees are as follows:

| Entry Fee (US\$) |          |
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| July 1, 2026     | US\$ 400 |

- 8.2 The entry fee includes racing and boat storage and launching during the event.

### 9 SCHEDULE

- 9.1 The schedule is as follows (all times are US Eastern Time):

| Date | Time | Item |
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|                 |            |                                                                                                         |
|-----------------|------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thursday July 9 | 9:00-10:00 | Check-in and registration                                                                               |
| Thursday July 9 | 10:30      | Competitors meeting                                                                                     |
| Thursday July 9 | 12:00      | Practice Race - warning                                                                                 |
|                 |            | Immediately following Practice Race - warning for first race of the day with subsequent races to follow |
| Friday July 10  | 11:00      | First warning for first race of the day with subsequent races to follow                                 |
| Friday July 10  | 15:00      | No warning after this time                                                                              |

9.2 It is the intent of the race committee to run a total of eight (8) races.

## **10 [DP] REGISTRATION AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

10.1 By the end of onsite registration (see hours shown in the schedule above):

- (a) All competitors shall, in writing, agree to abide by the US Sailing Championship Code of Conduct.
- (b) All competitors shall, in writing, agree to the US Sailing Waiver of Liability.
- (c) All skippers will be required to provide a \$1,000 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information. The deposit is a per-incident maximum, and includes damage to boats or race committee vessels. If a skipper has more than one incident, she is then liable for up to \$1,000 for each individual incident. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed. Boats, sails, and equipment may be inspected at any time.

## **11 CREW SUBSTITUTIONS**

11.1 Crew substitutions shall be in accordance with the US Championship Conditions B11.

## **12 ADVERTISING**

- 12.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.
- 12.2 The organizing authority may provide bibs that competitors are required to wear as permitted by the World Sailing Advertising Code.

## **13 VENUE**

13.1 The event venue will be hosted by Eastern Yacht Club, 47 Foster Street, Marblehead MA 01945. The racing area is planned to be near Children's Island just outside of Marblehead Harbor entrance.

## **14 COURSES**

14.1 Courses will be drop-marks courses as described in the sailing instructions.

## **15 PENALTY SYSTEM**

15.1 RRS/US Appendix V, Alternative Penalties will apply.

## **16 SCORING**

- 16.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a championship.
- 16.2 Additional scoring details will be provided in the sailing instructions.

## **17 CHARTERED OR LOANED BOATS**

17.1 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.

## **18 RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 18.1 Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Racing Rules of Sailing rule 3 (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.
- 18.2 Competitors shall accept full responsibility for their actions during any activity related to the event. This includes activities before, during, and after the regatta from the time they arrive at the venue until they leave the venue at the conclusion of the event.

## 19 PRIZES

- 19.1 The top two finishing eligible team(s) (see USYTC Conditions) will qualify for the Chubb U.S. Youth Triplehanded Championship for the Sears Cup at Noroton Yacht Club August 7-10, 2026. Teams shall remain the same from the initial qualifying event through the end of the National Championship. Crew changes shall meet the requirements of the US Championship Conditions B11.
- 19.2 Teams who qualify for the National Championship shall submit their registration to the event within seven days of qualification. Failure to register within the deadline may lead to the berth being offered to the next eligible boat.
- 19.3 Additional awards may be given at the discretion of the organizing authority and host club.

## 20 FURTHER INFORMATION

20.1 For further information please contact: Stein Skaane, [steiniskaane@gmail.com](mailto:steiniskaane@gmail.com), (978) 998-2272  
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US Sailing Junior Championship Committee Chair: Jamie Jones: [jjone45@outlook.com](mailto:jjone45@outlook.com)  
US Sailing Youth Championship Office: [youthchampionships@ussailing.org](mailto:youthchampionships@ussailing.org)

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- Notice of race ends here -

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## NoR Addendum B - SafeSport MAAPP and Reporting Protocol

### SafeSport:

This event will be run in compliance with the US Center for SafeSport's Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (**MAAPP**) and required abuse and misconduct reporting protocol.

The **MAAPP** includes the following requirements:

1. SafeSport Training requirements for certain adults who are in positions of authority over minor competitors, and
2. Abuse Prevention Policies in effect during this event.

### SafeSport Training Requirement

#### **Who must complete SafeSport Training?**

The US Center for SafeSport requires certain adults to complete SafeSport Training prior to this US Sailing event. For this event, US Sailing has determined that the following adults must complete SafeSport Training:

- US Sailing Championship Committee Chairs,
- All race officials (Principal Race Officers, Judges, & Umpires),
- Volunteer Medical Professionals,
- Coaches and Instructors,
- On-site event organizers and regatta officials,
- Competitors who are 18+ sailing in the same boat as a minor competitor

US Sailing, in partnership with the organizing authority, will identify and inform each person who is required to complete SafeSport Training prior to the event.

### Abuse Prevention Policies

#### **What are the Abuse Prevention Policies?**

The Abuse Prevention Policies are designed to limit the opportunities for unobservable and uninterrupted contact between adults and unrelated minors at an event. They include rules around the following situations:

- Meetings
- Individual Training Sessions
- Manual Therapy and Therapeutic and Recovery Modalities
- Locker Rooms & Changing Areas
- Electronic Communications
- Transportation
- Lodging and Residential Environments

US Sailing and organizing authority officials will monitor all events to ensure compliance with the Abuse Prevention Policies.

For a full explanation of the Abuse Prevention Policies in place for this event, please see Section IV of the [US Sailing Athlete Safety Handbook](#).

### Reporting Protocol

Per Federal law and the US Sailing Athlete Safety Handbook, all adult **Event Personnel** are required to immediately report known, suspected, or alleged misconduct as follows:

- Child Abuse: To the US Center for SafeSport and Law Enforcement.
- Sexual Misconduct: To the US Center for SafeSport and to Law Enforcement if the sexual misconduct involves a minor.
- Emotional and Physical Misconduct: To US Sailing.
- MAAPP Violations: To US Sailing.

Adult Event Personnel must also comply with any other applicable reporting requirements under state law. Information about state reporting requirements is available at:  
<https://www.childwelfare.gov/topics/responding/reporting>

Reports to the US Center for SafeSport can be made as follows:

- US Center for SafeSport 24-hour reporting helpline: 833-587-7233, OR
- Online US Center for SafeSport online reporting tool: <https://uscenterforsafesport.org/report-a-concern/>.

Reports to US Sailing can be made via US Sailing's online reporting tool:

<https://ussailing.jotform.com/form/72484064847162>

For a full explanation of the required reporting protocols in place for this event, please see Section VIII of the US Sailing Athlete Safety Handbook.