



## **INTERNATIONAL NONSUCH ASSOCIATION 2026 RENDEZVOUS RACE SERIES**

**GREENPORT, NY  
AUGUST 18 & 19, 2026**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

The International Nonsuch Association (INA) and Niantic Bay Yacht Club (NBYC), are the organizing authority (OA).

#### **1. RULES**

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the INA-Specifications and the INA Class Rules Revised August 2024.

1.2 Participating Yachts will sail under Handicap Ratings of the Eastern Connecticut Sailing Association (ECSA). Vessels not holding an ECSA Handicap Rating will be assigned a Handicap Rating by the Organizing Authority upon submission by the Yacht Owner of certain information as detailed in 1.3 below. This rating is final and shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

1.3 Information required by OA in order to assign a vessel handicap.

- a. Nonsuch model
- b. Propeller type and number of blades. This changes Class Rules 4 Hulls.
- c. Standard keel or shoal keel. This changes Class Rules 4 Hulls
- d. Mast material - This changes Class Rules 5 Spars and Rigging
- e. A statement from the owner that the sail conforms to International Nonsuch Association - Specifications 1. Sail Plans

Notes: For this event, a 30 and a 324 will have different base handicap ratings as the 324 has a larger sail. This changes Class Rule 4.

Your entry is not complete until you provide the above information.

## **2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available no later than Sunday August 16, 2026 on the regatta website at [nbyc.org/racing](https://nbyc.org/racing).

Sailing Instructions will also be available at Mitchell Marina Greenport, NY during check-in for the Rendezvous.

## **3. COMMUNICATIONS**

3.1 The online Official Notice Board is located above in 2.1.

3.2 All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communications on channel 01A (1001)

## **4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

4.1 The event is open to boats conforming to INA Rule 7. All boats shall have helmsman and crew who are Registrants participating in the International Nonsuch Rendezvous being held in Greenport, NY August 17-21, 2026. A minimum of two people shall be onboard each boat while racing.

4.2 Entry may be made by going to [nbyc.org/racing](https://nbyc.org/racing), then scroll down until you see the Nonsuch Rendezvous 2026 and click the Register button on the right to complete the entry process. Entry deadline is 23:59 EDT on August 8, 2026.

## **5. FEES**

5.1 There is no fee for racing in addition to your 2026 INA Rendezvous attendance fees.

## **6. SCHEDULE**

6.1 First warning each day will be at 10:30 AM. Two (2) races are planned each day.

## **7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION**

7.1 The Protest Committee or the Race Committee may inspect a boat at any time to determine compliance with the RRS and class rules.

## **8. RACING AREA**

8.1 The racing area will include waters between Mitchell Park Marina and Gardiner's Bay and the waters of Gardiner's Bay.

## 9. COURSES

9.1 Courses will include government marks and/or inflatable drop marks. Reaching legs will be included when practical, but the lack of a reaching leg shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

## 10. SCORING

10.1 Scoring shall be according to the RRS Appendix A. PHRF scoring will include a time correction factor determined by the following formula:  
$$\text{TIME CORRECTION FACTOR (TCF)} = 650 / (\text{PHRF} + 550)$$

## 11. RISK STATEMENT

11.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone". By participating in this event each competitor 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.**

## 12. INSURANCE

12.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 USD or \$400,000 CAD.

## 13. Prizes

13.1 Awards will be presented to the top 3 boats in the racing fleet.

13.2 For boat sizes with three or more boats, awards will be presented to the top 2 boats of each of those boat sizes.

## 14. FURTHER INFORMATION:

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