

Notice Of Race

Eastern Class E Scow Association

2026 Championship Regatta

August 7-9, 2026

Organizing Authority: Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club & ECESA

43 E. Lake Street, Lakewood, NY 14750

Preamble – The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest or request redress under this rule. This changes *Rules* 60.4(a) and 61.3 as stated below. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means the penalty for breaking this rule may, at the discretion of the jury, be more or less than a single disqualification. This changes *Rule* 60.5(c).

1. Rules

1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), NCESA, and ECESA rules.

1.2 In addition to other rules changed in this document and the Sailing Instructions, the following rules are changed:

1.2.1 The US Sailing Prescription to RRS 63.1 does not apply.

1.2.2 RRS 41 adds: "(e) help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided after the return on board, the boat returns to the approximate location of the recovery."

1.2.3 The first sentence of RRS 44.1 is changed to read, "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while *racing*."

1.2.4 RRS 60.4(a) adds, "(4) if the protest is by a boat and is based on a rule with the notation [NP]."

1.2.5 RRS 60.5(c) adds, "(5) the protest is based on a rule with the notation [DP] and the protest committee decides the penalty shall be more or less than a single disqualification."

1.2.6 RRS 61.3 adds, "or is a request by a boat and is based on a rule with the notation [NP]."

1.2.7 RRS A5.4 is added, "A boat that is scored TLE by the race Committee shall be scored points for the finishing place 2 more than the number of boats that sailed the course prior to the finishing window expiration.

1.2.8 RRS A10 adds TLE – Finishing Window Time Limit Expired. This changes RRS A10

1.2.9 Appendix T applies.

2 Sailing Instructions

2.1 Sailing Instructions will be available online on the Clubspot registration site, and at check-in.

3 Communication

3.1 The official notice board will be at [insert event clubspot link here]

3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on USA VHF Channels.

3.3 Vakaros

3.3.4 Each boat shall provide its own Vakaros Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge at check-in for configuration with RaceSense.

3.3.5 Each boat's Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge shall have a current RaceSense Pass, available for purchase at <https://vakaros.com/pages/passes>, at all times while racing.

3.3.6 The checked-in Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge shall be mounted within 6 inches of the aft side of the mast at all times while racing

3.3.7 No other electronic devices shall be mounted above or near a boat's Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge.

3.3.8 The boat's Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge shall be mounted perpendicular to a line from the center of the bow to the center of the transom.

3.3.9 Each boat is responsible for updating the firmware on its Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge as required prior to and during the event.

3.3.10 Each boat is responsible for ensuring calibration of its Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge prior to and throughout racing.

3.3.11 Each boat is responsible for ensuring its Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge is configured for a proper class-compliant profile while racing.

3.3.12 If a boat cannot provide its own Atlas 2 or Atlas Edge, it shall rent a unit. Rentals are available at [rental link], must be booked at least 14 days prior to the event, and may be picked up at check-in.

3.3.13 Timing and recall signals will be made exclusively via Vakaros RaceSense. The full list of changes will be published in the Sailing Instructions.

3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency or for reasons medically necessary, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications that are not available to all boats.

4. The Regatta shall be open to all Class E Scows that meet the rules and have properly completed registration and measurement requirements.

5. Eligibility and entry

5.1 Entry shall be completed online via Clubspot.

5.2 Entry fee is \$415 before July 1, 2026, and \$480 after. \$300 for skippers born after August 7th, 2001. All skippers must be NCESA members.

6. Schedule of Events:

Thursday, August 6, 2026

13:00 – 19:00 Check In, Late Registration, and Measurement

16:00 Practice Race, weather permitting.

19:00 Race Committee Meeting with PRO / Regatta Chairperson

20:00 Safety Boat Meeting with PRO / Regatta Chairperson

18:00 – 21:00 Dinner available from the regular club menu

Friday, August 7, 2026

07:30 – 08:30 Check In, Late Registration, and Measurement

08:00 Breakfast and make your own lunch for competitors.

09:30 Skippers Meeting with Regatta Chair & PRO

10:00 Harbor Gun

11:00 First Warning Signal

No races will be initiated after 18:00

17:30 ECESA Annual Meeting (may change based on sailing conditions)

19:30 Cocktails & Appetizers (subject to change based on sailing conditions)

20:30 Dinner & Social

Saturday, August 8, 2026

08:00 Breakfast

08:30 Lunch buffet available

09:30 Harbor Gun

10:30 First Warning Signal

No races will be initiated after 18:00

19:30 Cocktail Hour (subject to change based on sailing conditions)

20:30 Eastern Championship Banquet

Sunday, August 9, 2026

08:00 Breakfast

09:30 Harbor Gun

10:30 First Warning Signal

1330 no warning after this time if 3 races are completed.

1500 no warning after this time if fewer than 3 races are completed.

Seven (7) Races are scheduled.

No warning signal will be made after 14:00 unless required to complete a regatta

Awards ceremony as soon as practicable following racing

7. Venue

7.1 The venue will be the Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club.

7.2. The racing venue will be the waters of Chatauqua Lake.

8 Courses

8.1 Courses will be windward/leeward.

9 Scoring

9.1 Three (3) races are required to constitute a regatta.

9.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores.

9.3 When 6 or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

9.4 RRS 90.3(e) applies.

10 Boat Launching & Storage

10.1 On-site trailer storage is available for all competitors. Boats will be launched daily from the club's two hoists. Boats may arrive on Thursday, August 6th. However, any boats participating in the NYS State Championship the week prior will be allowed to store their boats at the club between events.

units will be available; more information will be provided on the Sailing Instructions.

11 Required Safety Equipment

11.1 Per ECESA by-laws the following safety equipment is mandatory to be onboard all competing yachts for the duration of the event: PFD for each crew, paddle, type IV floatation device, mainsail floatation device.

12 Risk Statement

12.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to race is hers alone.'

12.2 By participating in this event, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in the 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.

13 Insurance

13.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party insurance.

14 Awards

14.1 Awards will be presented to Top skippers and crews, Top vintage boat skipper, Top rookie, Top Master (master is a skipper 65 or greater as of August 7th, 2026)

15 [NP] Housing

We will do our best to accommodate competitors on a first come first serve basis. Please direct all housing requests to _____. Competitors may also find comfortable accommodation at the following:

Chautauqua Harbor Hotel 10 Dunham Ave, Celoron, NY 14720 • (716) 489-2800 (2 miles from CLYC) <https://www.thechautauquaharborhotel.com/> There will be discounted rooms for E Scow competitors on a first come first serve basis, book by mid June.

DoubleTree by Hilton Jamestown 150 W 4th St, Jamestown, NY 14701 • (716) 488-7227 (6 miles from CLYC) https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/jhwtdtd-doubletree-jamestown/?SEO_id=GMB-DT-JHWDTDT

Hampton Inn & Suites Jamestown 4 W Oak Hill Rd, Jamestown, NY 14701 • (716) 484-7829 (8 miles from CLYC) https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/jhwnkhx-hampton-suites-jamestown/?SEO_id=GMB-HP-JHWNKHX

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