

NOTICE OF RACE

Frostbite Yacht Club, Connecticut River Squadron, Inc
Fall Series 2026
October 11 to December 6, 2026



1. RULES

- 1.1. The Series is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028*.
- 1.2. Changes to the class rules will be decided by the classes, monitored by each fleet captain.
- 1.3. Appendix V (Alternate penalties) are in effect.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available on or before October 9, 2026 on Clubspot

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The Official Notice Board is on Clubspot.
- 3.2. The Race Committee will use VHF Ch. 69 for courtesy broadcasts to competitors.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The Series is open to the following classes: Etchells, Ideal 18's, ILCA, JY 15's, Storm 18's and 420s.
- 4.2. Open to all sailors in good standing with FBYC. Written parental permission required for minors. Skippers under 15 years old need a board vote: the decision to allow them to race will be based on their skill and level of seamanship. Should they act in a manner that endangers themselves or others they will not be allowed to continue to race.
- 4.3. Register online through Clubspot at FBYC's website: www.fbyc.org
- 4.4. Single daily entries are accepted.
- 4.5. A minimum of three registered boats is required to qualify as a class.
- 4.6. Etchells, Ideal 18s and Storms are required to have a third-party liability insurance policy that is appropriate considering the value of the boats and the type of racing in the event. All other classes are strongly encouraged to have a third-party liability insurance policy that is appropriate considering the value of the boats and the type of racing in the event.

5. FEES

- 5.1. Fall Series Fees: Etchells and Storm 18 - \$240; Ideal 18's - \$220; 420s & JY 15's - \$190; ILCA - \$150;
- 5.2. Single day entry fee is \$30, maximum of four before signing up for season is required.
- 5.3. Discounts and membership enhancements available at checkout through Clubspot.
- 5.4. Students may register at 50% of fleet fee.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Initial Skippers Meeting will be at the EYC launching area at 11:40 am, Sunday October 11, 2026.
- 6.2. The Warning Signal will be at 12:30 for Etchells, 12:45 for Ideal 18 and 1:00pm for all other classes on all race days.
- 6.3. No race will start after 3:15 for Etchells and 3:30pm for all other classes.
- 6.4. In the event of initial race postponement of the day due to weather, the race committee will wait until 2 p.m. prior to abandoning racing for the day. In the event of late Warning Signal, 6.3 will not be extended.
- 6.5. Racing will run Sundays from October 11, 2026 to December 6, 2026.

7. VENUE AND SAFETY

- 7.1. The Essex Yacht Club has graciously allowed us the use of their property and facilities. We are guests of the Essex Yacht Club; kindly respect their hospitality.
- 7.2. Your vehicle must be parked in the gravel lot located to the west of the Clubhouse only.
- 7.3. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on the property grounds is prohibited.
- 7.4. No personal liquor may be consumed on the club property. Food may be consumed as long as we leave no trace.
- 7.5. Non-keel boat sailors are required to wear a full-length wet suit or dry suit beginning November 15, 2026, and are encouraged to wear one earlier in the season.
- 7.6. All sailors must wear a USCG approved PFD. Inflatable vests are prohibited.
- 7.7. Etchells, Storm 18's and Ideal 18's are required to carry an anchor and VHF radio set to channel 69.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. There are no throwouts for daily results. Overall results will have one throwout for every four races.
- 8.2. DNS is defined as number of boats sailing plus one for that day.
- 8.3. DNC is defined as number of boats registered plus one
- 8.4. TLE and DNF are defined per race as the number of boats finished plus one
- 8.5. A breach of any points in Section 7 may result in a DSQ for the day and further sanctions.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1. All Sailors are invited to the upstairs Boyd Room of the Essex Yacht Club for awards, soup, and polite exchange of opinion after racing.
- 9.2. Daily Trophies will be awarded for top finishers in each respective class.
- 9.3. Series Trophies will be awarded following the last day of racing.

10. ETHELLES CLASS – ALLOWED ELECTRONICS FUNCTIONALITY

- 10.1. In accordance with the International Etchells Class "Allowed Electronics Functionality" (updated 1 January 2026), the following electronics functionality is permitted for the Etchells Class without any change in the NOR (Heading, Shift prompt, Timer) and the following as allowed by this NOR: OCS / Clear Start Messaging, COG, Heel, Pitch (fore/aft trim), SOG, VMG, Distance to Line, Time to Line, Time to Burn, Shift tracking, Data Logging, Zone Messaging.

11 INFORMATION

- 11.1 Contact us with any questions.

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