



**Ensign Class Association**  
**2015 Region II and III Championship Regatta**  
**August 1 – 2**  
**Fleet 57 and Thames Yacht Club, Inc.**  
**Notice of Race**



**Organizing Authority – Ensign Class Association**  
**Host – Fleet 57 and Thames Yacht Club, New London, Connecticut**

**1 RULES**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2** If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail.
- 1.3** Racing rules will be changed as follows:
- a. **Rule 32.1** — A race may be shortened only if a minimum of a windward leg, a leeward leg, and a 2<sup>nd</sup> windward leg have been sailed, otherwise the race will be abandoned.
  - b. **Rule 35, A4 and A4.2** —Boats failing to finish within 30 minutes after the first boat finishes or within the time limit, whichever is later will be scored as TLE. TLE's will be scored points equal to one-half the number of yachts not finishing rounded to the next highest number, plus the number of yachts that finished. [i.e. if there are 40 boats in the fleet and only 13 finish; the score for each of the 27 TLE would be  $(27/2) = 14+13$  (the number of finishers) = 27. Each TLE gets 27 points.]
  - c. **Part 4 Preamble** — When flag Y is displayed ashore RRS 40 applies at all times while afloat.
  - d. **Rule 62.1(a)** — As a courtesy the RC will attempt to broadcast the sail number of OCS boats on VHF channel 72. The manner of hailing, failure of a boat to hear a hail, or any other issue arising from this procedure shall not be grounds for redress.
  - e. **Rule A4** — A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS).
  - f. **Rule A4.1** — A registered contestant in the vicinity of the starting area at the warning signal for any race of the Championship Regatta is considered as racing and shall be scored accordingly.
  - g. **Rule A4.2** — A boat that did not start, was recalled under RRS 29.1 or 30.1 and did not restart, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats in the vicinity of the starting area at the warning signal. A boat that did not start; did not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored points one more than the number of boats entered in the series.
  - h. **Race Signals** — When flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced by 'not less than 1/2 hour.
  - i. **Race Check in** — All competitors must check in with the race committee at the start of the first race each day.

**The changes will be posted at the club house prior to races or be provided via radio to the fleet.**

- 1.4** Ensign Class Association Rules will be modified by the Sailing Instructions as follows for this regatta:
- a. **ECR II.4.** — Companionway doors may be removed and left ashore.

- b. **ECR III. 12. A.** — A registered contestant in the vicinity of the starting area at the warning signal for any race of the Championship Regatta is considered as racing and shall be scored accordingly.
- c. **ECR III. 12. B.** — A boat that did not start, was recalled under RRS 29.1 or 30.1 and did not restart, did not finish, retired after finishing or was disqualified shall be scored points for the finishing place one more than the number of boats in the vicinity of the starting area at the warning signal. A boat that did not start; did not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored points one more than the number of boats in the series.
- d. **ECR III. 14. B. and C.** — Redress if granted will be in accordance with the RRS.
- e. **ECR III. 14. D.** — Notices to competitors will be posted on the Thames Yacht Club's Sailing Bulletin Board located on the Yacht Club's porch.

**The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions.**

## 2 ADVERTISING

Advertising will be restricted to Category A.

## 3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to all members in good standing with the Ensign Class Association. Eligible contestants may enter by completing the entry form and sending it together with the required fee payable to the **Ensign Fleet 57**, postmarked by **July 1, 2015** to:

Roy Adamson  
21 Linda Avenue  
Waterford, Ct. 06385

## 4 FEES

The entry fee is \$125.00 for paid up members of the **Ensign Class**. If not presently an Ensign Class Association member, an additional \$25 Ensign Class Association membership fee is required. The entry fee is non-refundable.

Entries:

Before July 1, 2015	Member of US Sailing	\$125	All others	\$130
Before July 17, 2015	Member of US Sailing	\$150	All others	\$155
Before July 31, 2015	Member of US Sailing	\$175	All others	\$180

## 5 SCHEDULE

Day & Date	Activity	Time	Remarks
Friday, July 31	Contestants Meeting	2000	
Saturday, August 1	Racing	1100	Warning Signal
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Saturday, August 1	Dinner	1800 (approx)	
Sunday, August 2	Racing	1100	Warning Signal
Sunday, August 2	Racing		*, ***
Sunday, August 2	Awards Ceremony	1600 (approx)	

\* **The number of races to be sailed on a given day is at the discretion of the Race Committee according to prevailing weather or conditions. A maximum of 6 races will be sailed for the Championship Regatta.**

\*\* **No race shall be started after 1700**

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**6 MEASUREMENTS**

Boats and equipment must conform in all respects with the rules and specifications of the Ensign Class Association, and any boat not so conforming shall be disqualified. The Championship Committee may inspect boats at any time before, during or after the Regatta.

**7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available on the Thames Yacht Club Web-Page or at the club not later than 1700 Friday, July 24, 2010.

**8 VENUE**

**8.1** Thames Yacht Club is located at 396 Pequot Avenue, New London, Connecticut, 06320.

**8.2** The racing area will be in the waters of Fishers Island Sound.

**9 THE COURSES**

Courses will be windward/leeward or gold cup as diagrammed in the Sailing Instructions.

**10 SCORING**

**10.1** The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A as amended by the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions will apply.

**10.2** Completion of one race constitutes a series.

**10.3** If less than five races are completed; a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores. When five or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

Contestant boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Jury.

**12 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

The Race Committee may communicate with the fleet via VHF/FM on a channel 72. Competitors—shall not conduct race-related radio or mobile telephone communications while racing.

**13 PRIZES**

**13.1** Prizes will be awarded follows:

<b>Trophies</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
Champion Region II and III Perpetual Trophy	Retain until awarded to successor.
1 <sup>st</sup> through 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	

**14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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.

**15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

**15.1** Mooring will be available for some Ensigns at the Yacht Club on a first come – first served basis. Launch service will be available daily.

- 15.2** Boats can be launched at Niantic Bay Yacht Club, 8 Shore Road, Niantic Connecticut 06357 (413) 847-0620 or at Ferry Slip Dockminium Assoc., 100 Pequot Avenue, New London, Connecticut, 06320 (860-460-8957) dockmaster Eric Kloker, at the owner's expense (Parking for trailers is available).
- 15.3** Hospitality – A reception (food, beer, wine) for all regatta sailors will be hosted by Fleet 57 Friday Night starting at 6:00 PM at Thames Yacht Club. A dinner is also planned for Saturday evening at Thames Yacht Club; the cost will be \$15 per person for the dinner (separate from entry fee).
- 15.4** Contact information:

<b>Regional Commander Region II &amp; III</b>
Roy Adamson E-mail address: <a href="mailto:lladamson@yahoo.com">lladamson@yahoo.com</a> Phone #: 860-447-1759