



The IOD Class North American Invitational  
Thursday, July 28- Saturday, July 30  
The Northeast Harbor Fleet with support from the Northeast Harbor IOD Fleet  
Mt Desert Island, Maine

## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2** The prescriptions of the US national authority will apply including Appendix T in its entirety including Section A-Penalties while Racing; Section B- Post-Race Penalties; Section C- Expedited Hearings; Section D- Arbitration

### **2 ADVERTISING**

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

### **3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1** The regatta is open to all invited entries. The event chair shall issue invitations to various fleets of North America including Bermuda as well as other fleets.
- 3.2** All invited entries must complete registration and pay entry fee electronically prior to July 15, 2016.
- 3.3** Late entries will be accepted only with the approval of the event chair.

### **4 FEES**

Required fees are as follows:

Each entry shall pay \$750. Every person who wishes to partake of the social package which includes continental breakfast on Race Days, the opening reception bbq, dinner at Asticou Inn, Lobster Bake Dinner with awards shall pay \$225.

Each entry shall provide a \$1000 damage deposit check which may be used entirely for damage exceeding \$1000. Or, partially used for damage in amount less than \$1000. The Northeast Harbor Fleet Regatta Boatswain shall be the sole determinate of damage allocation at or immediately following the event.

Guests and additional crew may purchase tickets a la carte and prices will be determined by check in on July 28.

## **5 SERIES AND FORMAT**

The regatta will consist of a series of as many races as practicable started before 1430 on Saturday, July 30. Competitors shall draw for boats at the competitor's meeting at 0830 on July 28. Boats will be rotated on a daily basis and spinnakers shall remain with each boat.

## **6 SCHEDULE**

### **6.1 Registration:**

Wednesday, July 27- 1300-1730

Thursday, July 28- 0800-0930

### **6.2 Racing Schedule:**

Daily 1030 First Warning Signal

No Races will start after 1430 on Saturday, July 30

**6.3 Additional Event-** All competitors are very strongly urged to join the local sailors for the Great Harbor Dream Race on Sunday, July 31. It is a pursuit style race around the outside of the Cranberry Islands to specifically benefit the MDI High School Sailing Team. Dinner, open bar, and live blues band will follow awards at the Fleet House immediately after sailing.

## **7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available after July 1 at [nehfleet.org](http://nehfleet.org)

## **8 VENUE**

Racing will take place in and around the Great Harbor of Mt Desert Island including Somes Sound.

## **9 THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed will be creative progressive. There may be windward gates, mid-course gates, leeward starts, reaching starts, and islands in a leg of the course. Come experience why NEH has the youngest fleet of IOD sailors and the most number of starters in any fleet of IODs this side of Timbuktu.

## **10 PENALTY SYSTEM**

**10.1** All sections of Appendix T will apply. .

## **11 SCORING**

**11.1** The Low Point Scoring System will be used.

**11.2** Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

- 11.3**
- (a) When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.
  - (b) 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.

**12 BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept at their assigned moorings in Gilpatrick Cove.

**13 DIVING EQUIPMENT**

Underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used around boats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the regatta.

**14 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

**All competitors are required to have on board a functioning VHF radio while on the water.** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. The RC, launch, and mark boats will be using VHF 65.

**15 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows: Top 3 finishers overall and the perpetual trophy.....?

**16 HOUSING**

Every effort will be made to secure housing for all competitors. Please confirm your participation as soon as possible to assist the hosts in placing members of your crew. Additional local hotels are the Kimball Terrace Inn and the Asitcou Inn in Northeast Harbor. More hotels and Inns are located in Bar Harbor and Southwest Harbor. This is peak tourist season on MDI! Please contact John Henry, our housing coordinator, ASAP with your boat's needs by email- [jchenry21@gmail.com](mailto:jchenry21@gmail.com)

**17 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.

**18 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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