2020 NEWPORT UNLIMITED REGATTA <u>NOTICE OF RACE</u>

August 21 and 22, 2020

Organizing Authority: New England Multihull Association ("NEMA") and the Newport Yacht Club at

Fort Adams State Park

1.0 Rules

1.1 The Newport Unlimited Regatta ("Regatta") will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing ("RRS") with US Sailing prescriptions thereto, this Notice of Race, and the NEMA Race Rules, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

2.0 Eligibility

- **2.1** The Regatta is open to all boats with a valid 2021 NEMA rating certificate with a rating of 110 or less.
- **2.2** A minimum of five (5) paid entries by 1700 on August 19, 2020 may be required for the Regatta to go forward, at the sole discretion of the Race Committee.

3.0 Entry & Fees

- **3.1** Entries will be accepted in the order that complete entry forms, fees, and certificates (if required) are received.
- 3.2 Entries will not be accepted after 0900 on Saturday, August 21, 2021
- **3.3** Entry may be submitted online at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23018

- **3.4** Online entry is preferred. If necessary, entry forms, fees, and certificates (if required) may be sent to the Race Chair, Steven Parks, at 1329 Green End Avenue, Middletown, RI 02842; or delivered to the Race Chair by hand prior to 0900 on Saturday, August 21, 2021
- **3.5** The entry fee is \$35.
- **3.6** Entry fees are non-refundable, unless there are insufficient entries to hold the Regatta (ref. NOR 2.2).
- **3.7** Dockage may be available, for a fee, at Fort Adams. It is typically limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Dockage arrangements are made directly with Sail Newport.

4.0 Sailing Instructions

4.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at the Skipper's Meeting.

5.0 Schedule

Saturday, August 21

Mandatory Skippers' Meeting at Sail
Newport docks.
First Signal.
Informal gathering at Sail Newport Docks.

Sunday, August 22	1100	First Signal.
	1400	No Warning Signal after this time.
	Post Race	Prize giving to follow at Sail Newport docks
		following the finish of the final race.

6.0 Racing Area & Courses

- 6.1 Racing on Saturday and Sunday will be conducted in Narragansett Bay.
- **6.2** Racing on Saturday will be on short courses. Three races are planned, weather permitting.
- **6.3** Course on Sunday will be a distance race around Narragansett Bay.
- 6.4 Courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions and announced at the Skipper's Meeting

7.0 Scoring

- **7.1** The race shall be scored using 2021 NEMA rating certificates and handicaps (time-on-time) for NEMA competitors.
- 7.2 The Low Point System of RRS Appendix A shall apply.
- 7.3 One race shall constitute a series.

8.0 Penalties

- **8.1** RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- **8.2** The penalty, if any, for an infringement of a rule other than a rule of Part 2 of the RRS shall be at the sole discretion of the protest committee. This changes RRS 64.1.

9.0 Prizes

9.1 Prizes shall be awarded for first through third places.

10.0 Radio Communication

- **10.1** The Race Committee may use VHF radio for courtesy communications.
- **10.2** The VHF channel for courtesy communications shall be announced at the Skipper's Meeting.

11.0 Contact Information

- **11.1** Regatta: Steven Parks, (401) 529-5243, sparks.ri@cox.net.
- 11.2 Dockage: Nick Mauprivez (401) 846-1983 <u>nick.mauprivez@sailnewport.org</u>

12.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK

12.1 Sailing is an inherently dangerous activity. All competitors are participating in the Regatta solely at their own risk. Competitors are advised to pay particular attention to RRS 4, Decision to Race. By participating in the Regatta, all competitors agree to forever waive any and all claims against the New England Multihull Association, Newport Yacht Club, Sail Newport, the Race Committee, and their respective officers, directors, agents, employees, and volunteers (collectively, "Releasees"), including but not limited to claims arising from the Releasees' own negligence, arising out of or in connection with any aspect of the Regatta. By participating in the Regatta, all competitors agree to expressly assume any and all risks associated with participation in same, including risk of injury, damage, and loss of life, and all competitors further agree to assume financial responsibility for any injury or damage caused by themselves or their boat(s) to others and shall hold the Releasees harmless from any claim arising from that competitor's acts or omissions in connection with their participation in the Regatta.