



# MARBLEHEAD 2014

July 24-27, 2014 | Marblehead Racing Association Marblehead, Marblehead, MA

NOTICE OF RACE

*Sailing World* and Marblehead Racing Association (MRA) are the Co-Organizing Authorities for this regatta and MRA will provide race management.

## 1. RULES

**1.1** This regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

**1.2** Competitors are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

**1.3** Except for the IOD Class, penalties for infringements of the rules of Part 2 of the RRS shall be taken in accordance with RRS T1. For the IOD Class only, RRS 44.1, 44.2 and RRS T1 are changed so that for infringements of the rules in Part 2 only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

**1.4** Rules 1.1 and 1.3 of J/70 Class Rules Part III-Section I shall apply.

## 2. PERSONAL FLOTATION

Personal flotation shall be worn as required by class rules. Competitors should be aware that the race committee may display Flag "Y" in accordance with RRS 40.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY

**3.1** The regatta is open to any boat that is either: a) a member of a recognized class association for entry in this regatta's One-Design classes; or; b) a boat that meets the criteria established for this regatta by the class coordinator for entry in a level class; and provided that each class has a minimum entry of six boats. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to invite additional classes that do not meet all the requirements.

**3.2** Potential classes: 110 Class, 210 Class, Alerion Express 28, Etchells, Finns, IOD, J/24, J30, J/70, J/105, Laser, Megabyte, Rhodes 19, Sonar, Skud 18, Snipe, Star, Town Class, Vanguard 15, Viper 640, and VX One.

**3.3** The NOOD Regattas are open to those boats whose Owner and/or Skipper is a current member of their National Governing Body (US SAILING for USA members; to join call 1-800-877-2451.)

**3.4** Except for wooden-hulled boats and Lasers, easily removable bow stickers shall be attached to the forward 25% of both sides of the boat's hull at all times while racing. The stickers are to be carried with the top approximately 6"-10" below deck level and with the leading edge approximately 10"-20" aft of the bow. Bow stickers will be provided at Registration in the Skipper's package.

## 4. ENTRIES

Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than July 11th. Entries received or paid after July 18th at 5PM EST will be subject to a \$75 late fee. Please note this date when sending faxes or mail. Boats which have registered for the MRA season championship are exempt from the entry fee (but not the social fee or the late fee). MRA boats must still register via Yacht Scoring and are subject to the late fee.

For information on the Sperry Top-Sider Marblehead NOOD and/or to register online, please go to [www.sailingworld.com](http://www.sailingworld.com). Completed entry forms, with the entry fee, can also be mailed to Sperry Top-Sider NOOD Regatta, 55 Hammarlund Way, Middletown, RI 02842 or faxed to 401-845-5180, and must be accepted by the Organizing Authority. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of Sailing World and the Marblehead Racing Association. To receive a refund or cancel your entry, please call 401-845-4412 by July 22nd. No refunds will be issued after this date.

## BOAT SIZE ENTRY FEE

up to 24'	\$165
25' - 29'	\$180
31' and over	\$195

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MRA entries PAID  
NO PARTY TICKETS INCLUDED WITH MRA OR NON MRA ENTRIES  
Social tickets - Advance purchase \$50 with your entry form  
Social tickets include dinner/beverages for Friday, Saturday & Sunday.  
Additional tickets will be \$60 at the door.

## 5. REGISTRATION

**5.1** Each boat owner or his representative must report to the Corinthian Yacht Club on Thursday, July 24 between 9:00-11:00 a.m. or 5:00-7:00 p.m for classes racing 4 days. On Friday, July 25 between 9:00-11:00 a.m for classes racing 3 days or Saturday, July 26, between 9:00-11:00 a.m. for classes racing 2 days to complete registration details.

**5.2** Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted by registration. No boat will be registered without a completed waiver form. In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Race Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.

**5.3** Sailing instructions will be available at Registration and on the Sailing World website ([www.sailingworld.com](http://www.sailingworld.com)). The Official Notice Board is located at Corinthian Yacht Club, and it is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or other notices. In addition to the Official Notice Board, amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted at all three clubs (Eastern, Corinthian, and Boston) by 0900 EDT daily

## 6. COURSES

Courses will be sailed off-shore from Marblehead Neck. Course patterns will be provided with the Sailing Instructions.

## 7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

It is the intent of the Organizing Authority and the Race Committee to run as many races as practical on each race day up to a maximum total of 12 races for the series. No Warning Signal will be made prior to 1200hrs on each race day. No Warning Signal will be made after 1430hrs on Sunday, July 27.

## 8. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by the class. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Boston Yacht Club shall be responsible for conducting or administering weigh-ins should they are required by individual class rules. Local or national class associations shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins if needed.

## 9. SCORING

One (1) race will constitute a series. A boat's score for the series will exclude her worst finish if five (5) or more races have been completed. This alters RRS A2.

## 10. PRIZES

**10.1** Series prizes will be awarded for each class.

**10.2** An award will be made to the boat which, in the opinion of the Organizing Authority, had the best overall performance during the 2014 Sperry Top-Sider Marblehead NOOD Regatta.

## 11. BERTHING

Moorings for the regatta may be arranged by calling the Eastern, Corinthian, or Boston Yacht Clubs. Boats from out of town will need to arrange for a mooring. The Viper 640's, Stars and Finns are the only fleets with haul-out privileges this year.

## 12. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.