

# NOTICE OF RACE

## **THE SPERRY TOP-SIDER NATIONAL OFFSHORE ONE-DESIGN REGATTA** Annapolis Yacht Club April 24 - 26, 2009 Annapolis, Maryland

*Sailing World* and the Annapolis Yacht Club are co-organizing authorities for this regatta. The Annapolis Yacht Club is the Host Club and will provide race management assisted by Eastport Yacht Club and the Severn Sailing Association. This is an official US SAILING sanctioned event.

### **1. RULES:**

**1.1** This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009-2012 (RRS/US). RRS 63.7, Conflict between Rules, is replaced by, "If there is a conflict between the sailing instructions and the notice of race, the sailing instructions shall apply." In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20 Advertising Code, advertising categories will be specified by the rules of each class: Out of respect to our primary and support sponsors advertising for competing companies is strongly discouraged.

**1.2** This applies to the Melges 24, Melges 32, Farr30 and Farr40 Classes ONLY: RRS 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that, except for infringements of Part 2 that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

### **2. ELIGIBILITY:**

**2.1** The regatta is open to any boat in the following classes: Alberg 30, Beneteau 36.7, C&C 99, C&C 115, Cal 25, Catalina 27, Etchells, Farr 30, Farr 40, J22, J24, J29, J30, J35, J80, J105, J109 Melges 24, Melges 32, S2 7.9, and S2 9.1, Each class must have a minimum entry of seven boats. Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, entrants should be aware that there is a possibility that certain classes may be started together but still scored separately. The Organizing Authority reserves the right to add additional classes with a minimum of seven entries.

**2.2** 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.)

**2.3** 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 bow 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.

### **3. ENTRIES:**

Entries shall be submitted on the official entry form Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than April 13, 2009. Entries received after Monday, April 6, 2009 at 5 PM, will be subject to a \$50 late fee. Please note this date when sending faxes or mail. Completed entry forms, with payment, shall be mailed to Sperry Top-Sider NOOD REGATTA, c/o Sailing World, 55 Hammarlund Way, Middletown, RI 02842 or fax 401-845- 5180. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of Sailing World and the Annapolis Yacht Club. To receive a refund or cancel your entry, please call 401-845-5112 by April 20th, 2009, no refunds will be issued after this date.

<b>BOAT SIZE</b>	<b>ENTRY FEE*</b>
up to 24'	\$181.00
25' - 30'	214.00
31' - 40'	248.00

**\* ENTRY FEE  
INCLUDES ONE  
SOCIAL TICKET**

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tickets are good for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday's social event. Tickets will be \$50 at Registration and at the door.

### **4. REGISTRATION:**

A representative of each boat must report to registration at the Annapolis Yacht Club Annex, Thursday April 23,2009 between 1630 and 1930. Waiver of Liability form signed by each crew member must be submitted at registration. No boat may compete without completed waiver form. In the event of crew substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver to the Race Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid Sailing Instructions will be available at registration. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions and Notices to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the Annapolis Yacht Club Annex.

### **5. COURSES:**

Drop-mark courses will be sailed near the mouth of the Severn River on Chesapeake Bay.

### **6. SCHEDULE OF RACES:**

Eight races are scheduled. Rendezvous near the mouth of the Severn River at 1000 each day. No warning signal will be made after 1430 hours on Sunday, April 26,2009

### **7. 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 Annapolis Yacht Club shall be responsible for conducting or administering weigh ins should they be required by individual class rules. Local or national class associations shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins if needed.

### **8. SCORING:**

Each boat's total score will be the sum of her scores for all races. Eight races are scheduled. One race will constitute a series.

### **9. ARBITRATION:**

For protests involving the rules of RRS/US Part 2, an arbitration hearing may be held prior to the protest hearing.

### **10. PRIZES:**

**10.1** Series prizes will be awarded by class.

**10.2** An award will be made to the boat which, in the opinion of the Organizing Authorities had the best overall performance during the 2009 Sperry Top-Sider Annapolis NOOD Regatta.

### **11.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.

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