

Wickford Frostbite Association Seadog Fleet 166

2016-2017 Frostbite Sailing - October 2, 2016 thru April 30, 2017

NOTICE OF RACE

1. **Organizing Authority** - The Wickford Frostbite Association is the race organizing authority.
2. **Rules** - The races will be governed by current US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), except as modified by this Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions, and Class Rules for Seadogs.
3. **Eligibility**
 - 3.1. All Seadog Class sailboats.
 - 3.2. Participants must submit a completed Entry Form and Waiver of Liability along with the required fee.
 - 3.3. All yachts must have the required minimum safety equipment as required by the USCG and the State of RI.
 - 3.4. Competitors and their guests will comply with the rules of the Wickford Yacht Club while on the premises.
4. **Fees** –Annual Membership: \$100 per competitor
Single Day of Racing: \$10 (first day of racing is complementary, no fee)
5. **Schedule**
 - 5.1. Racing will be held on Sundays as follows:
 - 5.1.1. Fall Series: October 2, 2016 – December 4, 2016 (10 race days)
 - 5.1.2. Winter Series: December 18, 2016 – February 19, 2017 (8 race days, December 25th off)
 - 5.1.3. Hangover Bowl: January 1st 2016 (one race day)
 - 5.1.4. Spring Series: February 26, 2017 – April 30, 2017 (9 race days, Easter off, April 16th)
 - 5.2. First Warning - no earlier than 13:00
 - 5.3. Number of races – 3 races constitutes a Scored Day. RC will start as many races as appropriate before 15:30.
 - 5.4. Warning for last race - no later than 15:30
 - 5.5. Refreshments and Awards – Annual award dinner will be held on the last day of racing
 - 5.5.1. Additional parties will be conducted as deemed necessary.
 - 5.6. After racing; debriefing, discussion, and informal refreshments will be held directly after daily racing.
6. **Safety:**
 - 6.1. Boats shall comply with Seadog Class Rules.
 - 6.2. Wet suits (at least “shorty” or “farmer john”) or dry suits must be worn after December 1st.
7. **Sailing Instructions** -The Sailing Instructions will be available on or before the first day of racing.
8. **Venue** – Wickford Harbor and surrounding waters. Wickford Yacht Club 165 Pleasant St. Wickford RI 02852
9. **Course** - Courses will be hailed by the RC prior to each race. Turning marks defining the course may be set, fixed, and/or government marks. See Sailing Instructions.
10. **Penalty System**
 - 10.1. Rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
11. **Prizes:** Prizes will be awarded.
12. **Social Activities and Facilities**
 - 12.1. Post-race refreshments and awards will be held at the WYC.
 - 12.2. **Parking.** Parking at the Wickford Yacht Club is limited. The East Side of Pleasant Street near the Yacht Club is a NO PARKING ZONE to establish a fire lane. The end of Pleasant Street is a public boat ramp, please do not park in the loading ramp area. The Town will ticket and tow violators. If you park in the Yacht Club parking lot, please not to block others and leave your keys in the car in case the car needs to be moved. Pleasant St. is a narrow road, please be courteous.
13. **Disclaimer of Liability** - Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Wickford Yacht Club, Wickford Frostbite Association, their officers, members and volunteers will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor’s participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
14. **Changes to the Notice of Race** - WFA reserves the right to change this Notice of Race. Any such changes will be made prior to Registration and Posted on the Notice board at the Wickford Yacht Club and/or emailed to the Fleet.