

S2 7.9 Class Championship Regatta

Ford Yacht Club

September 10th -14th, 2024

2025 Notice of Race



1. Rules

- 1.1. The Regatta will be governed by the rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the S2 7.9 Class Rules; 8-28-2024.
- 1.2. If there is a conflict between the NoR and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall prevail. This changes RRS 63.7
- 1.3. The Official Notice Board will be located on Yacht Scoring site. Courtesy postings will be at the Peg Sprigg Pavillion near the travel lift area.

2. Entry and Eligibility

- 2.1. The Regatta will be open to all S2 7.9 Class boats as defined in the S2 7.9 Rules.
- 2.2. Each helmsperson must be a current member of the S2 7.9 Class Association. A membership application is available at www.s279.org
- 2.3. Two classes will be available for entry – Gold and Silver fleets. All participants will be part of the Gold Fleet. In addition, Silver Fleet is open to:
 - 1 New to the S2 7.9 class Skippers or Skippers who have not had a top 10 final finish in a CCR in the past 5 years,
 - 2 and Boats that do not have any Group 3 sailors on board, or anyone who has been a Group 3 sailor in the past 10 years.
- 2.4. To ensure proper planning for social events, all entries should be received prior to August 15th. Entries received after August 15th will be assessed a \$50 late fee.
- 2.5. Participants may enter the regatta by filling out an entry form at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu/50385>
- 2.6. All crew must be declared on YachtScoring.com prior to registration.
- 2.7. Any crew changes must be approved by the Principal Race Officer.

3. Fees

- 3.1. Entry fee \$350 USD. Entry Fee Includes 5 tickets for the Class Banquet on Saturday.
- 3.2. Additional Social tickets for the Class Banquet on Saturday can be purchased for \$35 each.
- 3.3. Regatta Apparel will be available for pre-order only with entries received by August 15th. Late entry shirt orders will not be accepted.



4. Schedule

4.1. Schedule is subject to change – please see yachtscoring.com for the latest information and any changes to the schedule.

➤ **Wednesday**

- Registration and Measurement (Boat Weighing, Sail & Boat Inspection) 10:00 – 16:00

➤ **Thursday**

- Registration and Measurement (Boat Weighing, Sail & Boat Inspection) 9:00 – 15:00
- Skipper's Meeting – 16:00
- Practice Race – 17:30

➤ **Friday**

- Daily Announcements – 9:30
- Warning Signal (First Race of the Day) – 11:00
- Annual Class Meeting @ FYC Board Room – Immediately after racing
- Daily Awards- 18:45
- Regatta Party @ FYC – 19:00

➤ **Saturday**

- Daily Announcements – 9:00
- Warning Signal (First Race of the Day) – 10:30
- Annual Class Banquet & Daily Awards – 18:30

➤ **Sunday**

- Daily Announcements – 9:00
- Warning Signal (First Race of the Day) – 10:30
- No races started after 14:00
- Awards- Immediately after racing
- Burgers & Hot Dogs- after awards, before hitting the road

5. Measurements

- 5.1. All boats shall have a current weight certificate. Those who do not have a current weight certificate shall contact the Regatta Chair to schedule a boat weigh in time. Current weight certificate may be verified by Class Documentation.
- 5.2. All sails will be inspected per S2 7.9 Rule 3A.6.1, which includes sail certificates for new sails under S2 7.9 rule 2.5.F.1.
- 5.3. All boats will be inspected for required items per S2 7.9 Rule 2.9
- 5.4. Information about scheduling your measurement and inspection will be posted on Yacht Scoring no later than August 30, 2025 prior to 2000 hours.

6. Sailing Instructions

- 6.1. Sailing Instructions will be available no later than September 1st at 2000 hrs on Yacht Scoring and at the time of registration.

7. Venue

- 7.1. The regatta venue will be at Ford Yacht Club in Grosse Ile, Michigan.
- 7.2. Limited privileges to FYC Clubhouse and facilities will be extended to skippers and crews for the event.
- 7.3. The racing venue will be on the waters of Lake Erie approximately 4NM South East from Ford Yacht Club, in Canadian Waters.



8. Course

- 8.1. The courses will be windward - leeward. Races shall have a minimum scheduled distance on the first leg to weather of approximately one nautical mile and a maximum distance of approximately two miles. If an individual boat measures the distance to not exactly match these parameters, it shall not be a reason for redress of protest. (Per S2 7.9 Rule Part 3A.8). The remainder of the legs of the course may be adjusted by the Race Committee based on prevailing conditions.

9. Scoring

- 9.1. Rule A2 will be changed so that when fewer than six races are sailed, a boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 9.2. A minimum of one race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 9.3. A Maximum of 9 races will be sailed.

10. Support Boats

- 10.1. Support boats shall display a prominent yellow flag and shall be restricted to the port side of the racecourse.
- 10.2. [DP] No communications, data, vocal or visual signaling of any kind, or tactical placement from support boat is permitted after the race boat departs the dock until after the race boat retires for the day or after finishing the last race of the day.

11. Launching, Berthing, Hauling

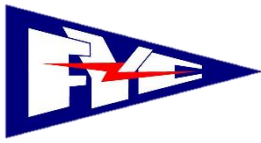
- 11.1. Ramp launching will be available at FYC.
- 11.2. Trailer storage will be available at FYC.
- 11.3. Guest moorings will be available on a first-come basis at no charge at FYC.
Additional accommodation can be reserved by contacting the Race Committee.

12. Haul out restrictions

- 12.1. Boats shall not be hauled out or laid on shore after 20:00 on September 11th until the conclusion of the regatta, except in cases of accident or for necessary repairs by permission of the Regatta Committee or Judges.

13. Diving Equipment

- 13.1. Underwater breathing apparatus shall not be used after 18:00 on September 11th.



14. Race Committee Communications, Courtesy Broadcasts, and Recalls

- 14.1. All boats shall carry an operable VHF radio per S2 7.9 Rule 2.9 (11)
- 14.2. The Race Committee may make periodic broadcasts by VHF Radio. Information reported is provided as a courtesy to the competitors and shall not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals. Errors or omissions during these courtesy broadcasts shall not be grounds for requesting redress.
- 14.3. While racing [RSS Definition], except in an emergency, there shall be no communications [data, electronic, vocal or visual signaling of any kind] between boats participating in the regatta or from support individuals, unless the information is available to all boats. This includes radio, mobile phones, Internet devices and any other types of electronics. If you have questions about a particular device, please contact the Race Committee before September 1st for clarification.

15. Prizes

- 15.1. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with S2 7.9 Rule 3A.5.
- 15.2. The S2 7.9 Class Perpetual trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the regatta, who will maintain possession until the 2026 Class Championship Regatta.
- 15.3. Competitors will be divided into Gold and Silver fleets.
- 15.4. Trophies will be awarded for the first five boats in the Gold fleet and first three boats in the Silver Fleet.
- 15.5. A trophy will be awarded for the highest placing Amateur as defined in S2 7.9 Rule 3A.5.2.
- 15.6. A trophy will be awarded for the highest placing Inboard boat as defined in S2 7.9 Rule 3A.5.3
- 15.7. Additional awards for daily prizes, most enthusiastic, furthest traveled, etc. may be given out at the discretion of the Race Committee.



16. Disclaimer

- 16.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS 3, 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.
- 16.2. The safety of a boat and its crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge to ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy, and manned by an experienced and physically able crew. Neither the establishment of regulations nor inspection of a boat in any way limits or reduces the complete and unlimited responsibility of the Skipper.
- 16.3. Ford Yacht Club, S2 7.9 Fleet 15, and their employees and volunteers do not accept responsibility for loss of life or injury to participants or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel in any way or from any cause during or relating to this event.
- 16.4. The Person in Charge shall be responsible for the conduct of his crew. In the event of a serious breach of conduct, the destruction of property or the failure to comply with a reasonable request of any Race Officer or Committee Member, the Skipper will be responsible for all damages and the boat may be subject to disqualification from the regatta.

17. Insurance

- 17.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance on site during registration.

18. Contact Information

Venue Address: Ford Yacht Club 29500 Southpointe Rd Grosse Ile, MI 48138	FYC Harbor Master 734-546-3673 harbormaster@fordyachtclub.com
Event/Regatta Chairman P/C Chuck Brock 734-347-7024 Chuck.Brock05@gmail.com	FYC Race Chairman Cary Diehl 734-674-7882 ochendiehl@gmail.com
Principle Race Officer Matt Bounds	Protest Chairman TBD