

2026 SSC Islands Race
August 29, 2026
Organizing Authority: Sandusky Sailing Club

NOTICE OF RACE

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1.

The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. [NP] Encounters with government or commercial vessels shall not be grounds for redress.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions and Skipper's Packets will be available for pickup from 1800 to 2100 PM on Friday, August 28, 2026.

3. COMMUNICATIONS

- 3.1. The official notice board is located on yachtscoring.com and as a courtesy, the front notice board at Sandusky Sailing Club.
- 3.2. [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels, 16, 69, 70, 71 or 72.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. This event is open to members of US SAILING or other National Authorities, members of recognized yacht clubs, members of recognized sailing class associations, and others as may be designated by the Organizing Authority.
- 4.2. The Organizing Authority shall, at its sole discretion, determine eligibility and placement within divisions.
- 4.3. Eligible boats shall register via online registration available at www.yachtscoring.com.
- 4.4. Deadline for receipt of registrations is 2000 hours, Friday, August 29, 2026
- 4.5. A minimum of five (5) boats registered before the above deadline shall be required to be considered a One Design Class.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The fee schedule for the race is as follows:
 - Entries received by August 21: \$90.00
 - Entries received after August 21: \$125.00
 - The fee to race includes: One Saturday Night Dinner Ticket at the Saturday Night Party.
- 5.2. Other Fees: Fridy Night Dinner (Pricing to Follow)

6. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 6.1. The first start shall be at 1000 on Saturday, August 29, 2026.

7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 7.1. Each boat shall produce a valid PHRF or One-Design Rating Certificate.
- 7.2. [NP] Cruising division competitors will not be required to submit a measurement certificate. Boats without a current certificate will be assigned a temporary rating at the discretion of the Organizing Authority which shall be valid for this race only.
- 7.3. Should there be discrepancies between the various handicapping regions, Sandusky Islands Race handicapping representatives shall determine a rating for the Sandusky Islands Race. PHRF-LE rules and ratings will apply for PHRF and JAM Courses.
- 7.4. A boat and/or its equipment may be inspected, or directed to a place for inspection, at any time for compliance with Class Rules, the Sailing Instructions, and this Notice of Race.

8. COURSE

- 8.1. The course to be sailed, the marks to be rounded, the order of each mark and the side to which each mark is to be rounded will be specified in the Sailing Instructions. Racing will take place around the Lake Erie Islands.

9. SCORING

- 9.1. The Low-Point System of Appendix A will be used.
- 9.2. Each boat shall completely and accurately fill out and deposit a "Finish Card" within one hour after finishing.
- 9.3. [DP] Failure to accurately fill-out or turn in a finish card may result in a score of Did Not Finish (DNF).

10. PRIZES

- 10.1. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third place finishes in each class.

11. BERTHING

- 11.1. Dockage is included in the racing fee and available at SSC. Please contact the Regatta Chairman for dockage instructions prior to entering Sadler Sailing Basin.

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third-party insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury, or death.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority, Race and Protest Committees, and Sandusky Sailing Club 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.

14. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Organizing Authority Website – <http://www.sanduskysailingclub.com>

Regatta Chair – John Giordano - boilerjohn85@gmail.com