



# 12 Metre North American Championships

September 15-17, 2010  
Newport, Rhode Island

## NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) is the New York Yacht Club (NYYC).

### GENERAL FORMAT

The 12 Metre North American Championships will consist of three days of racing on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 15-17. The Candy Store Cup is a separate race that will be run during the North American Championships, but shall not count in the overall results. The race headquarters is located at the New York Yacht Club Sailing Center.

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Both the 12 Metre Class By-Laws & Regulations as of July 2, 2008 and the 12 Metre Class Rules as of July 2, 2008 shall apply.
- 1.3 Only the following US SAILING prescriptions shall apply: 40, 61.4, 68, 76.1, 76.3 and Appendix F.
- 1.4 In order to suit local conditions, the Race Committee has received permission from the ITMA Owners Committee to vary the length of the courses from those specified in ITMA by-law 10.2.2.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The 12 Metre North American Championships is open to 12 Metre yachts with a valid certificate that are currently members of ITMA and Americas Fleet (where applicable) and are current with their certificate filing fees.
- 2.2 Sailing Instruction Addendum A – Candy Store Cup lists the requirements for the race. Valid certificates are not required.

### 3. ADVERTISING

In accordance with ISAF Regulation 20, advertising is permitted on the spinnaker and on both sides of the boom at the discretion of the owner. Competitors may be asked to display flags of presenting and supporting companies before and after racing.

### 4. ENTRIES

- 4.1 **Entry:** Entry forms will be available on the NYYC website ([www.nyyc.org/12mNA/](http://www.nyyc.org/12mNA/)). An official entry form including entry fee shall be submitted online on or before Monday, September 13, 2010 at 1700.
- 4.2 **Entry Fee:** The entry fee is \$500 per yacht and includes four tickets to the Barbeque Dinner. Additional dinner tickets may be purchased for \$40 per ticket on the online entry form or at registration.

- 4.3 **Liability & Media Waiver Form:** As a condition of entry, each owner, skipper and individual participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver/media release and the fully executed Liability Waiver Form shall be submitted by fax (401-846-3303), by mail or at registration prior to racing. The Liability Waiver Form can be found at [www.nyyc.org/12mNA/](http://www.nyyc.org/12mNA/).
- 4.4 **Registration:** All yachts shall pick up their packets during registration times listed in NOR 5.2. Check-in will take place in the NYYC Sailing Center, Harbour Court, 5 Halidon Avenue, Newport, RI 02840.
- 4.5 **Measurement Certificate:** A copy of the cover page of the yacht's measurement certificate shall be submitted to the NYYC Sailing Office no later than registration.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Eight races are scheduled. Up to three races may be held on any day. This does not include the Candy Store Cup which is not part of this series.
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| Tue | Sept. 14 | 1730-1830                          | Registration at NYYC Sailing Center   |
| Wed | Sept. 15 | 0800-0900`<br>0900<br>0900<br>1200 | Registration at NYYC Sailing Center<br>Rendezvous location announced on VHF Ch 72<br>Captain's Meeting in the NYYC Sailing Center<br>Warning signal                             |
| Thu | Sept. 16 | 0900<br>1100<br>1930               | Rendezvous location announced on VHF Ch 72<br>Warning signal<br>Barbeque Dinner at NYYC Harbour Court   |
| Fri | Sept. 17 | 0900<br>1100<br><br>1730           | Rendezvous location announced on VHF Ch 72<br>Warning signal<br>Final Race to be followed by the Candy Store Cup<br>Cocktail Party & Awards Ceremony on the NYYC formal terrace |

## 6 DIVISIONS

- 6.1 Yachts shall display their Class flag from their backstay as follows:
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|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Division A ~ Grand Prix  | Numeral Pennant 1 |
| Division B ~ Modern      | Numeral Pennant 2 |
| Division C ~ Traditional | Numeral Pennant 3 |
| Division D ~ Vintage     | Numeral Pennant 4 |
- 6.2 Depending on the number of entries, the Race Committee may start Divisions A and B together and Divisions C and D together.

## 7 COURSES

Courses will be windward – leeward as indicated in the Sailing Instructions. Racing will be on Rhode Island Sound or Narragansett Bay. Course location will be announced at 0900 in VHF Ch. 72.

## 8 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

RRS 44.3 – Scoring Penalty will apply. The penalty will be ONE place worse than her finishing place.

## 9 SCORING

- 9.1 Scoring will be in accordance with RRS Appendix A – Low Point System, except that if six or more races are completed a yacht shall discard her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 9.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

## 10 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and on the website at [www.nyyc.org/12mNA/](http://www.nyyc.org/12mNA/).

## **11 TROPHIES & PRIZES**

- 11.1 Prizes will be awarded to the winning yacht in each division with more than one competitor. Second-place prizes will be awarded for divisions with four or more yachts. Third-place prizes will be awarded for classes with six or more yachts.
- 11.2 Class trophies for the North American Championships may be awarded.
- 11.3 The Candy Store Cup trophy and a magnum of champagne will be awarded to the winner of the Candy Store Cup.

## **12 LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. ITMA/12 Metre Class, the Organizing Authority, sponsors and any affiliated companies will not accept any liability for any material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **13 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

Yachts shall monitor Ch 72 while competing but, except in an emergency, a yacht shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all yachts. This restriction also applies to the use of cell phones.

## **14 MEDIA RELEASE**

Competitors and crew members on the competing yachts grant, at no cost, to ITMA/12 Metre Class, the Organizing Authority, sponsors and any affiliated companies the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, biographical material and representations of the yachts in any media worldwide (including but not limited to television, video, print and electronic media), for the sole purposes of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the 12 Metre North American Championships and Candy Store Cup.

## **15 FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information, please visit our website at [www.nyyc.org/12mNA/](http://www.nyyc.org/12mNA/) or contact the Sailing Office. New York Yacht Club, Harbour Court; 5 Halidon Avenue; Newport, RI 02840  
Tel: 401/845-9633; Fax: 401/846-3303; Email: [sailingoffice@nyyc.org](mailto:sailingoffice@nyyc.org)