



2024 U.S. Youth Championship presented by SouthCoast Wind

June 22-25, 2024

Organizing Authority: US Sailing
Hosted at Roger Williams University
Bristol, RI

NOTICE OF RACE
Posted March 26, 2024



1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The following documents shall apply. Documents are available on the Youth Championship webpage: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2024-u-s-youth-championship-presented-by-southcoast-wind/>
 - 1.2.1. US Sailing Regulation 10. An alleged breach of US Sailing Regulation 10 shall not be grounds for a protest by another boat; this changes rules 60.1(a). However, when a protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached Regulation 10.03, it shall follow the process described in the [Championships' Code of Conduct](#).
 - 1.2.2. The [Conditions for the Youth Championship](#) and the [US Sailing Conditions for Championships](#).
 - 1.2.3. The [US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#). This will be a Grade 1 Coaching event.
- 1.3. Appendix B – Windsurfing Competition Rules shall apply for the Windsurfing Event, except as changed by the Sailing Instructions or this Notice of Race (NoR).
- 1.4. Appendix P – Special Procedures for RRS 42 shall apply for the 29er, i420, ILCA 6, and ILCA 7 classes and may be modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.5. The notation “[DP]” in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.6. Each competitor shall wear a USCG approved life jacket, in good condition, that is 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, at all times while on the water except for brief periods while adding, removing or adjusting clothing. [DP]
- 1.7. In exception to 1.6 above, competitors in the iQFOiL Class shall wear an impact vest as described in iQFOiL Class Association Rule C.3.2(1)(iii). This change is deemed to comply with US Sailing Regulation 10.
- 1.8. RRS 60.1(a) is changed to add: ‘(d) however, a boat shall not protest another boat for an alleged breach of any class rule other than class equipment measurement rules.’
- 1.9. RRS 77 is changed so that a boat is not required to display national letters.

2. ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority as outlined in World Sailing Regulation 20. [DP]



3. EVENTS

3.1. The regatta shall include the following events utilizing the following class compliant equipment:

Event	Class
Doublehanded Dinghy	International 420
Doublehanded Skiff	29er
Multihull	Nacra 15
Singlehanded Dinghy - Light	ILCA 6
Singlehanded Dinghy	ILCA 7
Windsurfing	iQFOiL Youth & Junior

3.2. All events are open to male and female competitors. Doublehanded events may be sailed with mixed teams.

4. ELIGIBILITY

- 4.1. Competitors (skippers and crews) shall not reach their 20th birthday in the 2024 calendar year.
- 4.2. Competitors must be individual or family members, all in good standing, of US Sailing at the time of application, registration and of the event and not otherwise ineligible to compete under the laws, regulations, policies and rules of USOPC or its affiliated organizations.
- 4.3. Competitors must be US Citizens or eligible permanent residents with written authorization from World Sailing for an exemption under World Sailing Regulation 19.12, subject to the exceptions in NoR 4.4 & 4.5.
- 4.4. Competitors should have adequate experience and ability to safely compete in 20 knots of wind and large waves. Competitors must submit their top 3 regatta results during registration to demonstrate experience and ability. The OA reserves the right to advise competitors on their preparedness if necessary.
- 4.5. The Organizing Authority may grant an exception to the requirements in NoR 4.3 based upon a written request to do so. Requests should be emailed to US Sailing at YouthChampionships@ussailing.org by May 31.
- 4.6. MNAs are invited to nominate teams to attend the regatta with US Sailing approval. Nominated sailors, if accepted, are not required to comply with NoR 4.3, but shall comply with other eligibility requirements. Requests should be emailed to US Sailing at YouthChampionships@ussailing.org by May 31.

5. ENTRY and FEES

- 5.1. The registration period will open on Monday, March 25. Competitors shall submit completed registration forms, including registration fees, no later than May 31 via the link on the Youth Championship webpage: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2024-u-s-youth-championship-presented-by-southcoast-wind/>
- 5.2. A class shall have a minimum of five (5) boats registered as of May 31 or that class will be dropped from the championship and registration fees will be refunded in full.
- 5.3. The Registration Fees are listed in the table below.

	Registration Date	Singlehanded classes	Doublehanded classes
Regular	For entries between March 25 – April 30	\$350.00	\$450.00
Late	For entries between May 1 - May 31	\$450.00	\$550.00

5.4. Registration fees will be refunded, less a \$50 processing fee, to entries that cancel on or before May 31. No refunds will be granted after May 31.



6. PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE (subject to change)

- 6.1. Competitors shall not arrive at the venue before 1300 Friday, June 21 unless they have been given prior written permission from US Sailing. No sailing out of Roger Williams University will be permitted prior to Saturday, June 22 unless approved by US Sailing. Additional information regarding approvals for early arrivals will be posted on the event website. [DP]
- 6.2. Requests for early and late arrivals and departures shall be made in writing via e-mail to US Sailing, youthchampionships@ussailing.org and sent no later than June 10.
- 6.3. Preliminary Schedule:

Saturday, June 22	1000-1600 1200-1600 1400 1700 1800	Registration for sailors and coaches Designated optional practice time Practice Race Opening Ceremony Mandatory Coaches and Spectator Boat Meeting
Sunday, June 23	0900 1200	Mandatory Competitors Meeting Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Monday, June 24	0900 1200	Mandatory Morning Briefing Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow
Tuesday, June 25	0900 1130 1500 As soon as practical	Mandatory Morning Briefing Warning signal for first race of the day; subsequent races to follow No Warning Signal after 1500 Awards Ceremony

7. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- 7.1. Competitors participate in the regatta at their own risk. See Racing Rules of Sailing rule 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.
- 7.2. Competitors shall accept full responsibility for their actions during any activity related to the event. This includes activities before, during, and after the regatta from the time they arrive at the venue until they leave the venue at the conclusion of the event.
- 7.3. All competitors are expected to maintain the highest levels of conduct throughout the entire event. Enforcement of discipline and conduct shall be conducted as per the Racing Rules of Sailing (rule 69), the Championships' Code of Conduct and/or the policies and procedures of US Sailing (Regulation 15.01).

8. MEASUREMENT

- 8.1. Each boat shall comply with the equipment measurement rules of its class and may be inspected for compliance at any time during the regatta at the discretion of the Protest Committee or the Organizing Authority.
- 8.2. All boats shall display top sail or bow numbers, if provided, while racing. [DP]



9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the event website:

<https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2024-u-s-youth-championship-presented-by-southcoast-wind/>

10. VENUE

See Diagram A for a map of the race area. Racing locations for each class will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. COURSES

The courses will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

12. PENALTY SYSTEMS

For the Skiff and Multihull Events, RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

13. SCORING

The scoring system will be detailed in the Sailing Instructions.

14. SUPPORT & SPECTATOR BOATS

Registered private spectator boats will be permitted with specific conditions outlined on the regatta website and in the Sailing Instructions.

15. COACHING

15.1. This is a Grade 1 Event as defined in the [US Sailing Coaching and Support Boat Policy](#).

Private coaches must have current certification and SafeSport training.

15.2. US Sailing will provide event coaches to assist each race circle, including group briefings and on-water assistance.

15.3. Coaches are required to wear PFDs while on the water.

15.4. An Engine Cut-Off Switch (ECOS) Link shall be attached to the coach boat operator, the operator's clothing, or operator's personal floatation device and connected to the engine cut-off switch whenever a boat's engine is running.

15.5. Private Coaches shall register on the Youth Championship webpage by June 10.

15.6. Private Coaches are responsible for their own housing and coach boat. Information about docking, trailer storage and meal costs will be posted on the regatta website.

16. PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

16.1. US SAILING REGULATION 10.03 B AND 10.03 C, STATE:

B. For Junior and Youth events or for junior or youth competitors in any US Sailing championship, no participant or competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: 1. marijuana or any other substance if possession is illegal under state or federal law; or 2. any alcoholic beverages.

C. An alleged breach of one of these regulations shall not be grounds for a protest; this changes rules 60.1(a), 60.2(a) and 60.3(a). However, when the protest committee believes that a competitor may have breached one of these regulations, it shall follow the process described in the Championships Code of Conduct. If a competitor is found to have breached one of the elements within the Code of Conduct, they shall be excluded from the remaining races of the series and, where practicable, removed from the regatta venue and sent home. <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/hosting-a-us-sailing-championship/regulation-10/>



17. PRIZES

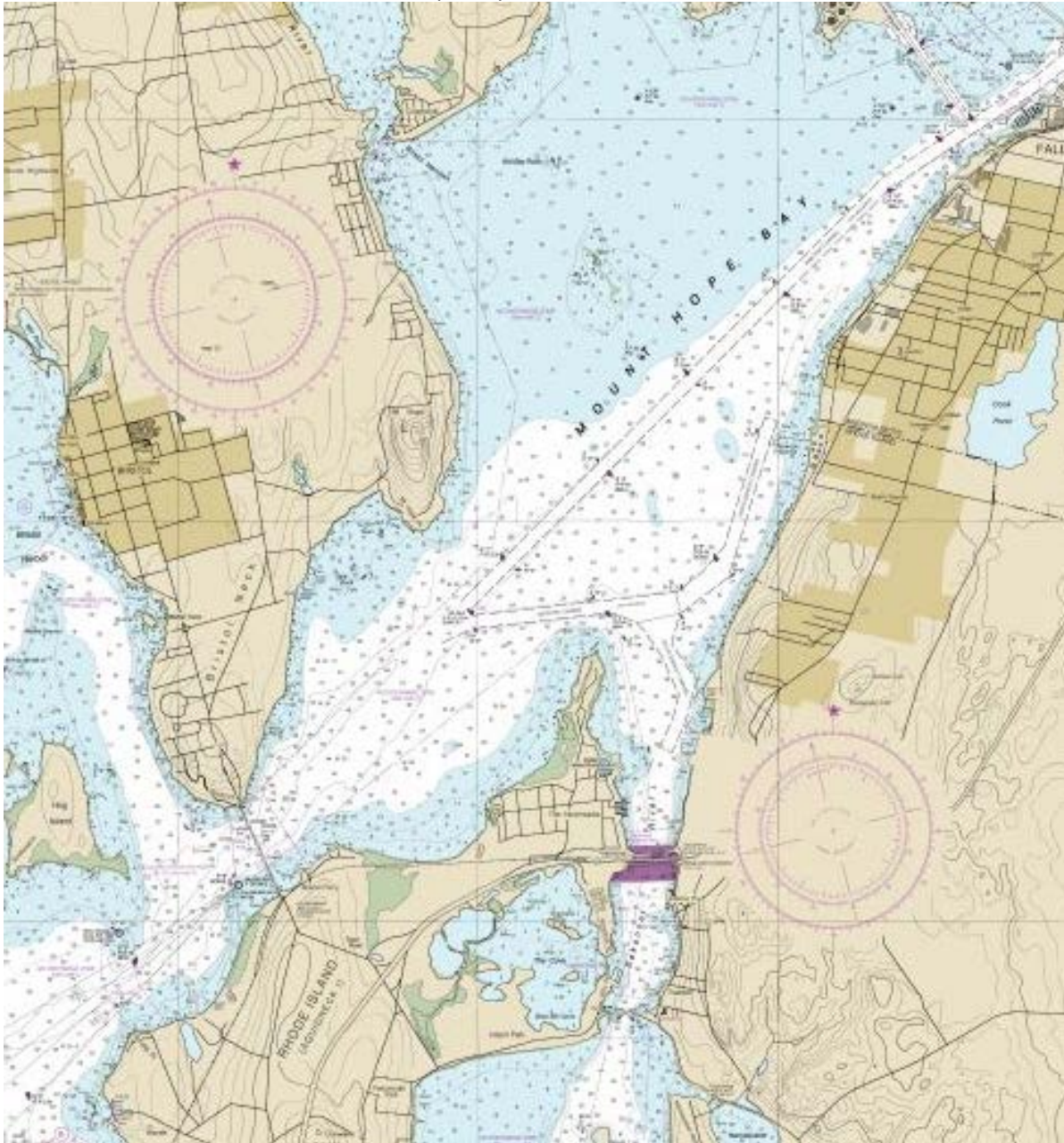
- 17.1. US Sailing Championship medals will be awarded to the top five in classes with twenty-five or more entries, top three in classes with less than twenty-five entries.
- 17.2. US Sailing Championship medals will be awarded to the top three female competitors (singlehanded) / female teams (doublehanded).
- 17.3. The Manton D. Scott Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the winning Doublehanded Dinghy (I420) team.
- 17.4. The Robert L. Johnstone III Trophy will be awarded to the winning Singlehanded Dinghy (ILCA 7) competitor.
- 17.5. The Robert and Ann Conner Trophy will be awarded to the winning Singlehanded Dinghy - Light (ILCA 6) competitor.
- 17.6. The Arthur D. Stevens Trophy will be awarded to the winning Multihull team
- 17.7. The Major Hall Trophy will be awarded to the winning Windsurfing competitor.
- 17.8. The Trevor Moore Trophy will be awarded to the winning Doublehanded Skiff (29er) team.
- 17.9. The David M. Perry Perpetual Sportsmanship Trophy will be awarded in each class.
- 17.10. The Smythe Trophy will be awarded to the top new singlehanded sailor (sailing in their first U.S. Youth Championship) in the largest singlehanded fleet.
- 17.11. The Bemis Trophy will be awarded to the top new doublehanded team (both sailors sailing in their first U.S. Youth Championship) in the largest doublehanded fleet.
- 17.12. Competitors entered in accordance with NoR 4.5 (non-USA MNAs) are eligible to win US Sailing medals (NoR 18.1 & 18.2) but are not eligible to win perpetual trophies (NoR 18.3 – 18.11).

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1. All official applications, notices, forms and results will be posted on the Event Website: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/2024-u-s-youth-championship-presented-by-southcoast-wind/>
- 18.2. For further information please contact US Sailing: youthchampionships@ussailing.org

Diagram A – Venue

Mt. Hope Bay and Bristol Harbor





SafeSport Guide: US Sailing Youth Championships

US Sailing Youth Championship hosts are required to implement SafeSport’s Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (“MAAPP”) during Championship events. The MAAPPs consist of both:

- A. SafeSport Training requirements
- B. One-on-one abuse prevention policies

SafeSport Training Requirements

<p>The following adults must complete SafeSport training prior to working a US Sailing Youth Championship Event</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US Sailing Championship Committee Chairs, • All race officials (Principal Race Officers, Judges, & Umpires), • Volunteer Medical Professionals, • Coaches and Instructors, • On-site Championship organizers and regatta officials, • Competitors who are 18 years of age or older who are teammates (aboard the same boat) with minor competitors.
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One-on-One Abuse Prevention Policies

For the duration of any US Sailing Championship event, all adults participating in the event as coaches, race officers, event organizers, medical staff, and volunteers shall adhere to the following one-on-one abuse prevention policies.

<p>One-on-One Interactions Between Adults and Unrelated Minor Competitors</p>	<p><u>General Rule:</u> While on-site at a US Sailing Youth Championship event, all one-on-one contact between an adult and unrelated minor competitor must be observable and interruptible.</p>
<p>Meetings and Training Sessions</p>	<p>All individual, one-on-one meetings and training sessions between an adult and an unrelated</p>

	minor competitor must take place in an area that is observable and interruptible.
Athletic Training Sessions, Massages, Rubdowns	All individual, one-on-one athletic training sessions, massages, and rubdowns involving an adult and unrelated minor competitor must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observable and interruptible, • Performed with another adult present, and • Have prior written consent from the minor's parent/guardian.
Locker Rooms & Changing Areas	Adults may not have unobservable and uninterruptible contact with an unrelated minor competitor in any locker room or changing area.
Media & Electronic Communications	All one-on-one electronic communications between an adult coach, volunteer, or regatta official and unrelated minor competitor must be open and transparent . Open and transparent means that an adult shall copy or include on any electronic communication with a minor competitor: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The minor competitor's parent/guardian or other adult family member, or (b) Another adult (such as a coach). <p><u>Team Communications:</u> All electronic team communications with minor competitors shall include at least two adults.</p>
Transportation	An adult shall not transport a minor competitor one-on-one to/from the event site unless that adult has prior, written consent from the minor competitor's parent/guardian.
Lodging	No minor competitor may stay overnight in the same room with an unrelated adult chaperone without prior written consent from the minor competitor's parent/guardian.