



COURAGEOUS SAILING

Flip Flop Regatta

**Boston Harbor
Sat. Aug. 10, 2024**

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Courageous Sailing Center (CSC)
Pier 4, Charlestown Navy Yard
Boston, MA 02129

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The MBSA General Sailing Instructions, the MBSA ORR-ez Bylaws, and the safety and equipment regulations of the US Coast Guard shall apply.
- 1.3. These rules may be modified in this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions. If there is a conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall take precedence.
- 1.4. Rule 52 is deleted.
- 1.5. This event will use ORR-ez handicap ratings. For more information about ORR-ez, please refer to www.massbaysailing.org. Vessels without an ORR-ez rating certificate will be assigned a rating.
- 1.6. Sailing Instructions will be available on www.regattaman.com. Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on www.regattaman.com no later than 9am on the day of the race.
- 1.7 Skippers are required to maintain a list of crew and their contact information.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1. The regatta is open to all monohull sailing vessels 21 feet LOA and larger.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing an entry form and paying the regatta fee via www.regattaman.com.
- 2.3. All entries must be received by 16:00 on August 8, 2024. Any entry request received after this time will be accepted at the discretion of the race committee.
- 2.4. Boats will be identified using their sail number. For boats without sail numbers, please email Nate@courageoussailing.org so appropriate ID for your boat can be arranged.

3. ENTRY FEE

Entry fee is \$125.00 if paid online by Aug. 3, 2024. Late entries from August 4-8 2024 will be \$150.00. All proceeds benefit Courageous Sailing's youth programs.

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, August 9

18:00 Skippers Meeting - To be held at the Courageous tent on Pier 4. Sl's and scratch sheet will be issued prior to skippers meeting on www.regattaman.com.

Saturday, August 10

12:00 First Start. See scratch sheet for your starting time.

17:00 Post-race gathering on Pier 4. Admission opens for racers at 17:00. Awards ceremony at 17:30. Flip Flop Party on the Pier admission for the general public opens at 18:00.

5. MEASUREMENT

5.1. Each boat shall produce a valid ORR-ez rating certificate if one was issued.

5.2. For those entrants without a current 2024 ORR-ez rating certificate, the race committee shall assign a rating based upon that of similar vessels and a recent PHRF certificate if available. Assigned ratings are not contestable.

7. VENUE

The start line will be in the vicinity of the NC buoy in Broad Sound and the finish line will be in the Boston Inner Harbor.

8. SCORING

This regatta is a pursuit race with each boat starting at a designated time assigned by the Race Committee. That handicap over the length of the course is taken into account in the assigned start time for every boat. MBSA Class Splits will be used although the race committee may adjust these to balance the size of each Class.

9. PRIZES

Prizes will be given to the first, second, and third place boats in each class. One Design classes wishing to receive special prizes and to race level will be scored overall and as a separate division at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

10. MEDIA RELEASE

By participating in the race or regatta, a competitor (or parent/guardian if under age 18) grants to the organizing authority and its sponsors the absolute right and permission to use their name, voice, image, likeness, and biographical information in perpetuity in any media, including but not limited to television, video, print, and electronic media, for the purpose of advertising, promoting, reporting and disseminating information regarding the regatta and the participants.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the race entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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 (including on-shore regatta events).

12. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third-party hull and adequate liability insurance.

13. CONDUCT

The boat owner or skipper will be responsible for the conduct of the crew offshore and onshore. The Race Committee reserves the right to reject any boat, skipper, or crew from this race and/or future races in the event of a serious breach of conduct.

14. DOCKAGE

Dockage is available at the Courageous Sailing Center on Pier 4 for \$75/night, on a reservation basis only. Reservations will be taken on a first come, first served basis during the boat registration process. Shore power will not be available. Portable facilities will be available on the premises. Skippers rafted next to another vessel are responsible for ensuring they have adequate fender support for docking/rafting. The race committee reserves the right to place, and move docked boats as necessary, and at their discretion.

Any boat wishing to dock at the Courageous Sailing Center should make a reservation by contacting Dave DiLorenzo and Jennifer Bodde [dave@courageoussailing.org; jen@couageoussailing.org]. Furthermore, a docking waiver and a certificate of insurance must be provided to the Courageous Sailing Center.

**** Please note: that all boats will need to depart the Courageous dock by 10 am, on Sunday August 11th.**

Alternatively, you may contact the following marinas to reserve transient dockage.

Constitution Marina

28 Constitution Road
Boston, Massachusetts 02129
phone: (617) 241-9640
Web: <http://www.constitutionmarina.com>
VHF Channel 69

Charlestown Marina

1 Pier Eight
Charlestown, Massachusetts 02129
phone: (617) 242-2020
Web: <http://www.charlestownmamarina.com>
VHF Channel 71

Boston Yacht Haven

87 Commercial Wharf
Boston MA 02210
Phone: (617) 367-5050
Web: <http://www.thebostonyachthaven.com/>

Boston Harbor Shipyard & Marina

256 Marginal Street
East Boston. MA 02128
Phone: (617) 561-1400
Web: <http://www.seachain.com/bostonharbor.shtml>
VHF Channel 9

Fan Pier Marina

Marina Park Drive
Boston, MA 02210
Phone: (617)443-9200
FAX:
Web: www.fanpiermarina.com
VHF Channel 9

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information, please consult the event web site at www.CourageousSailing.org/ffr.

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