



## NOTICE OF RACE

# BoatU.S. 2004 ISAF Women's Match Racing World Championship

June 6 - 12, 2004

**Eastport Yacht Club**  
Annapolis, Maryland, USA



### 1 ORGANISING AUTHORITY

The Organising Authority (OA) will be the Eastport Yacht Club (EYC), in conjunction with the International Sailing Federation (ISAF).

### 2 VENUE

The venue will be Annapolis, Maryland, USA

### 3 EVENT GRADING

The event is an ISAF Grade WC event.

### 4 PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

#### 4.1

- a Race office open from 1200, Friday, June 4.
- b Registration & crew weighing from 1400 – 2000, Friday, June 4 & 0900 – 1400, Saturday June 5.
- c Practice from 1100 – 1500, Saturday, June 5.
- d First briefing at 1530, Saturday, June 5.
- e First meeting with umpires following the first briefing.
- f Opening Ceremony at 1830, Saturday, June 5.
- g Racing days from June 6 to June 12.
- h Time of the first race each day will be 0900.
- i Daily press conference 30 minutes after Race Committee docking time each day.
- j Prize giving at 1830, Saturday, June 12.

#### 4.2 Unless excused by the OA, attendance at the following is mandatory:

- a Initial briefing for skippers.
- b Daily briefing, for skippers.
- c Daily press conferences, for skippers sailing that day.
- d Regatta social events, for skippers and crews. Schedule to be determined at a later date
- e Prize giving for the final skippers and crews.

### 5 SKIPPERS ELIGIBILITY

- a Sixteen (16) skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event. Skippers will be invited as follows:
  - 1) The defending champion
  - 2) The top 14 skippers on ISAF Ranking List as of 16 January 2004.
  - 3) One Skipper from the host nation selected via a process as agreed with ISAF.
  - 4) In the case of non-availability of any of 1, 2 or 3, the ISAF Rankings from 15th place onwards will be used to invite Skippers until a maximum entry of 16 has been reached.
  - 5) After March 15, 2004 other skippers will be invited at the discretion of ISAF.
- b The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- c To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing, (fax or e-mail is acceptable) to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.
- d A non-refundable entry bond of \$400 (US) shall accompany the acceptance of invitation for this to be valid.
- e All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of RRS Appendix 2, regulation 19.2.
- f All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at [www.sailing.org/isafsailor](http://www.sailing.org/isafsailor) and inform the OA of their ISAF Sailor ID at registration.
- g All competitors shall be required to sign the waiver from the Court of Arbitration for Sport.

### 6 ENTRIES

#### 6.1 Entry Completion

The team shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing and the payment of all fees and deposits. All payments shall be made by credit card or cheque in US dollars.

#### 6.2 Entry Fee

There is no entry fee for this regatta. Each competitor shall pay a non-refundable portion of the cost of borrowed boat insurance, not to exceed \$100.00 (US). This amount will be taken out of the entry bond at time of registration.

### 6.3 Damage Deposit

- a An initial damage deposit of \$300 (US) shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. The entry bond of \$400.00 (US) will be applied to the damage deposit upon registration.
- b In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA it may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event.
- c Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 30 days after the event.

## 7 RULES

### 7.1 Basic Rules

- a The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the RRS, and including Appendix C.
- b The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing and sponsor races. Class rules will not apply.
- c The national authority prescriptions will not apply.

### 7.2 International Jury

An International Jury (IJ) will be appointed, in accordance with RRS Appendix M.

## 8 BOATS AND SAILS

- a The event will be sailed in International J/22s.
- b 16 boats will be provided.
- c The following sails will be provided for each boat:  
Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker.
- d Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

## 9 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- a The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be 4. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- b The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing shall be 272 kgs, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- c When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise an original crew member to substitute.
- d When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event the IJ may authorise a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- e The crew may be from a different nation to the skipper.

## 10 EVENT FORMAT

- a The event will consist of the following stages:  
Stage 1 - Preliminary  
a double round robin  
Stage 2 - Quarter Final  
a double round robin (8 teams)  
Stage 3 - Semi Final  
a knock out series, first to score 3 points  
Stage 4 - Final  
a knock out series, first to score 3 points
- b The OA, in conjunction with the ISAF Technical Delegate may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

## 11 COURSE

- a The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.
- b The intended course area will be the Chesapeake Bay off the Mouth of the Severn River – NOAA chart # 12283

## 12 ADVERTISING

- a As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organising Authority, Appendix 1, Regulation 20.3.2 applies. Each boat will be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- b The Organising Authority intend to supply the following equipment, boat, mainsail, spinnaker, and jib. Appendix 1, regulation 20.3.2 will apply and Category C advertising as supplied by the OA is to be displayed on this equipment.
- c Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the Organising Authority.
- d Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (amends RRS 60.1).



## 13 PRIZES

- a ISAF Medals will be awarded to the skipper and crews of the teams finishing first, second and third.
- b Prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew of boats placing first through fourth.
- c The names of the winning team will be engraved on the perpetual BoatU.S. Santa Maria Cup Trophy.
- d The Gay Lynn Memorial Trophy will also be awarded.

## 14 MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA may require television personnel and equipment (or dummies) to be carried on board while racing and may require competitors to be available for interviews. The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

## 15 COACH BOATS

- a Coach boats shall not be allowed.

## 16 OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Each team is requested to provide their national anthem on compact disk.

## 17 DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

## 18 INVITATIONS

Entries will only be accepted from invited skippers. Requests for invitation will be accepted starting on January 11, 2004, or one day after the January rankings are posted, whichever is later.

## 19 CONTACT INFORMATION

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