



**David Storrs Memorial Qualifier
For the U.S. Match Racing Championship
Organized by US Sailing and Oakcliff Sailing
Hosted by Oakcliff Sailing
Oyster Bay, New York
Notice of Race
April 8-10, 2022
Optional Clinic Day April 8
Race Days April 9-10, 2022**

1. Organizing Authority

The Organizing Authority (OA) will be US Sailing in conjunction with Oakcliff Sailing

2. Venue

The venue will be Oyster Bay, NY USA

3. Event Grading

The event has applied for World Sailing Grade 3. This Grading is subject to review by World Sailing. The event may be re-graded when there is clear reason to do so.

4. Provisional Program

4.1. Schedule

1. Digital registration prior to sailing Friday and Check- in with Race Program Director Friday April 8, from 0830 to 1000.
2. Clinic is on Friday April 8, from 1000 to 1800
3. Skippers meeting and first meeting with umpires will be digital on Friday April 16 at 18:30
4. Racing days will be Saturday April 9 and Sunday April 10
5. The time of the first attention signal each day will be 1000
6. The latest time for an attention signal on the last day of racing will be 1600
7. Daily debriefs depending on COVID procedures needed
8. Prize giving will be on Sunday, April 10, at Oakcliff, post racing

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

1. Initial briefing for skippers.

2. Prize giving for the final skippers and crews

5. Skippers eligibility

Up to eight (8) skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the Invitation Committee of the U.S. Match Racing Championships Committee (USMRCC) will be eligible to enter this event. Skippers may request invitations to one or more of the qualifying events online by clicking on this link: <https://forms.gle/EKryAx32XOBM5kgn9>

The USMRCC Invitation Committee will consider a skipper's experience as demonstrated by World Sailing ranking, match racing results and sailing resume, along with the following additional factors:

- (a) Skippers who have not attempted to qualify at another event
- (b) Skipper preference list
- (c) Skipper proximity to event venue (OA may give preference to skippers traveling more than 500 km to assist in event grading)
- (d) Need to fill available qualifying slots at each event

5.1. To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of the invitation in writing by registering

on-line and paying the entry fee through the link in the invitation to be received by the date specified on the letter of invitation.

5.2. All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of World Sailing regulation 19.2

5.3. All competitors shall obtain a World Sailing Sailor ID by registering online at sailing.org/isafsailor.

Skippers shall inform the OA of their World Sailing Sailor ID at registration.

5.4. All competitors shall be members of US Sailing at the time of registration and during the event.

International competitors shall be members of US Sailing or their MNA.

5.5. There is no citizenship or club/ association membership required for this event.

6. Entries

6.1. The USMRCC Invitation Committee will begin issuing invitations to the qualifiers by January 15, 2022, and will continue to issue invitations until each qualifier is fully subscribed.

6.2. Skippers will be given two (2) weeks to accept their spot at each qualifier, unless otherwise indicated in the invitation letter.

6.3. The skipper shall be entered in an event upon the completion of registration, crew weighing, and the payment of all event fees and deposits.

6.4. A non-refundable entry fee of \$550 USD shall be paid by the date and in the manner specified in the invitation letter

6.5. When a skipper accepts an invitation and later withdraws within two months of the event or leaves the event before the end without written approval from the OA, a zero score may be applied to their ranking points for that event by World Sailing. (World Sailing Regulation 27.2)

6.6. An initial damage deposit of \$2,500 USD 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.

1. If 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.
2. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 10 days after the event.
3. The entire entry fee and damage deposit must be paid before a team can sail in any practice or clinic session.

7. Rules

The event will be governed by:

- 7.1. The rules as defined in the RRS, including Appendix C
- 7.2. The US Sailing Regulations which govern all the US Sailing Championships and Qualifying Events. In particular, Regulations 2.02, 4.02, 10, 13, and 14.04 apply, although other Regulations may be applicable as well. The US Sailing Regulations can be found at:
<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/US-Sailing-Regulations-2021-11-13.pdf>
- 7.3. US Sailings current "Championship Conditions" will apply to all the events in the series, and can be found at: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/resources/championship-conditions/>
- 7.4. The current U.S. Match Racing Championship Conditions which can be found at:
<https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/Conditions-for-the-USMRC-1.pdf>
- 7.5. The rules for the handling of boats will apply, and will also apply to any practice sailing, clinics or sponsor races.
- 7.6. Class rules shall not apply.
- 7.7. [DP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official. Failure to comply may be misconduct. Reasonable actions by event officials to implement COVID-19 guidance, protocols or legislation, even if they later prove to have been unnecessary, are not improper actions or omissions.
- 7.8. Major Alterations to the RRS
 1. RRS 40.1 shall apply at all times whole afloat. This changes the preamble to part 4.
 2. RRS C7.4, C8.6, 28.1, 60.1(b), 62.1(a), 63.1, and A5 will be changed in the sailing instructions for this event.

8. Boats and Sails

- 8.1. The event will be sailed in Match 40 type boats.
- 8.2. Eight boats will be provided.
- 8.3. The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Genoa, Jib, and Spinnaker.
- 8.4. Boats will be allocated by draw for the event.

9. Crew (Including Skipper)

- 9.1. The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be five or six. All registered crew shall sail all races.
- 9.2. The total weight of the crew, including the skipper, dressed in at least shorts and shirts, shall not exceed 962.5 lbs. determined at the time of registration or such time as required by the race

committee.

9.3. When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute in accordance with the Championship Committee Conditions.

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10.Event Format

10.1. The event format will consist of Round Robin(s), Knock-out Series and Finals Racing. The format will be specified in the sailing instructions.

10.2. The race committee may change the format, or terminate any stage or the event when, in its opinion, it is impractical to attempt to hold the remainder of the matches under the existing conditions or in the remaining time scheduled. Early stages may be terminated in favor of later stages.

11.Course

11.1. The course will be windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

11.2. A leeward gate may be used.

11.3. The intended race area will be Oyster Bay, West Harbor, or Cold Spring Harbor, NY.

12.Advertising

12.1. As boats and equipment will be supplied by the Organizing Authority, World Sailing Regulation 20.4 applies. Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.

12.2. Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.

12.3. Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising; this amends RRS 60.1.

13.Prizes

13.1. Invitations- The top placing eligible skipper (per U.S. Match Racing Championship Conditions) not already qualified for the championship will be invited to the 2022 U.S. Match Racing Championship hosted by Oakcliff Sailing Center, October 7-9, 2022. Should the qualifying skipper decline, his/ her spot to the USMRC, the USMRC Invitation Committee will fill the spot via invitation per the USMRC Conditions.

13.2. Additional prizes given by the host club will be listed in the sailing instructions.

13.3. The OA may reduce a prize in the case of misconduct or refusal to comply with any reasonable request, including attendance at official functions.

14.Media, Images, and Sound

14.1. Television personnel and equipment (or dummies) supplied by the OA shall be carried on board while racing.

14.2. Competitors shall wear If required by the OA:

1. Microphones supplied by the OA during racing and be available for interviews when advised by the OA or race committee.
2. Registered skippers shall wear communications equipment supplied by the OA that will allow commentators to communicate with them whilst racing.

14.3. Competitors shall not interfere with the normal working of the OA supplied media equipment.

14.4. The OA has the right to use any images, sound, and video recorded during the event free of any charge.

15. Coach Boats

This Event is designated as a US Sailing Grade 3 Event for coaching purposes. No private /team coaching nor US Sailing-supplied coaches. Private /team spectator boats only if permitted in the NoR. The OA may arrange for spectator boats. The [US Sailing's Coaching and Support Boat](#) policy is available online.

16. Disclaimer

16.1. All those taking any part in this event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates, and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury, sickness, disease, or inconvenience incurred, however so caused. See RRS 3, Decision to Race.

17. Discipline - Prohibited Substances (US Sailing Regulation 10.03)

17.1. For adult US Sailing championship events, no competitor shall use or possess, either on or off the water: marijuana or any other substances if possession is illegal under state or federal law.

17.2. 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.

17.3. 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.

18. Event Contacts

18.1. Event Chair: Patrice Gallo Rachlin, regatta@oakcliffsailing.org, 516-477-4397

18.2. U.S. Match Racing Championship: Bill Simon, bsimon@oakcliffsailing.org, 516-662-4926

18.3. USMRC Homepage: <https://www.ussailing.org/competition/championships/#adult-championships>

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