



2024 TOWN CLASS “WORLDS” & NATIONAL REGATTA
Organizing Authority is the Marblehead Town Class
Association and Corinthian Yacht Club



August 2 - 4, 2024
Notice of Regatta

1. Rules:

- 1.1 Racing will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The Town Class specifications, Issue #7, with revisions of July 26, 2023, available at <https://townclass.net/racing> applies.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available online after Noon on July 20, 2024, at <https://townclass.net/2024-nationals>

3. COMMUNICATION:

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at <https://townclass.net/2024-nationals>.
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a working VHF radio.
- 3.3 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on the VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SI's.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY:

- 4.1 The Regatta is open to all Town Class boats that have registered with the Marblehead Town Class Association (MTCA) for this Regatta.
- 4.2 The Regatta is open to all Town Class boats that are in compliance with the Town Class specifications, Issue #67, with revisions of July 26, 2023.
- 4.3 Entry can be made by submitting the entry form, required fee (Payable to MTCA), and signed waiver of liability by July 28, 2024, to Tuula Snow, 242 W. Shore Dr., Marblehead, MA 01945 or drop it in the letter slot in the garage door. The entry form will be posted on <https://townclass.net/2024-nationals>.

5. FEES:

- 5.1 The entry fee is \$200 which includes the skipper and one crew at social events.
- 5.2 The fees for guests to attend the Friday evening barbeque is \$15 and the Saturday evening dinner is \$58.

6. CREW LIMITATIONS:

- 6.1 All competing boats must have at least 2 persons on board.

7. REGATTA RACING SCHEDULE:

- 7.1 **A Skippers Meeting will be held on Friday, August 2, 2024, at 11 AM at the Corinthian Yacht Club.**
- 7.2 The scheduled times for the first warning signal on each day is as follows:

Date	Event	1 st Warning Time	Location of Start
Friday, Aug 2	Worlds	1330	Harbor start
Saturday, Aug 3	Nationals	1100	Archer's Rock line or Brimble's Rock line
Sunday, Aug 4	Nationals	1030	Archer's Rock line or Brimble's Rock line

7.3 No warning signal will be made after 1600 hours on Friday and after 1430 hours on Sunday.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION:

8.1 Boats may be inspected at any time.

8.2 The first, second and third place regatta finishers may be inspected and measured.

8.3 Boats shall also comply with RRS 78.1.

9. VENUE

9.1 On Friday the start/finish line will be off the Corinthian Yacht Club near the mouth of Marblehead Harbor.

9.2 On Saturday and Sunday, the racing area, a circle approximately 1 mile in diameter, will be with a start/finish line in the Archer's Rock area, (Mark 20 on the course chart) or in the Brimbles Rock area (behind Cat Island) at the discretion of the Race Committee. The finish line for the last race on Saturday afternoon may be in the harbor, CYC line, between the CYC race committee booth and mark "O" on the 2024 Town Class Worlds Racing Chart. This will be indicated by the Race Committee signal boat by flying Code Flag 'F' before the warning signal. The course will be indicated using courses as detailed in the sailing instructions with the finish as indicated above. If the race committee determines that marks will be rounded to starboard, a green flag will be flown before the warning signal. For example, if course B is sailed, competitors shall start, round the windward mark, leeward mark and then proceed to the harbor finish line which may or may not be upwind of the leeward mark based on sea and wind conditions. If a green flag is flown, marks shall be rounded to starboard.

10. COURSES

10.1 The courses for Friday will be government and inflatable marks. A description of the marks is listed in addendum "A" in the Sailing Instructions

10.2 The courses for Saturday and Sunday will be drop marks.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.

12. SCORING:

12.1 A boat that is scored OCS, DNC, DNS, DNF, NSC, RET, or DSQ shall be scored points for finishing place one more than the number of boats that started that race. This changes RRS A5.2.

12.2 In the Nationals when five or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score and when 10 or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. This changes RRS A2.1.

13. RISK STATEMENT:

13.1 RRS 3 states: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone." By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

14. INSURANCE:

14.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

15. PRIZES:

15.1 Prizes will be given as follows for the Worlds:

The winner of the Worlds will receive a trophy and will be awarded the "Town Class Worlds" perpetual trophy to keep for one year.

15.2 Prizes will be given as follows for the Nationals:

A first-place trophy will be given to the winner of each race.

First, second and third place regatta finishers will receive trophies.

The first-place finisher will also receive "The Lowell Cup" and the National Championship painting to keep for one year.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION:

16.1 For further information please visit <https://townclass.net/2024-nationals>, email Bart Snow at bartsnow@hotmail.com or phone 781-631-0069.

16.2 The Town Class Regatta is registered as a Clean Regatta, find more information at <https://www.sailorsforthesea.org/programs/clean-regattas>.