

National Windmill Championship Regatta

13-16 August 2020 (Rev-2)

Erie Yacht Club

1 Ravine Dr. Erie, PA 16505



The Organizing Authority Erie Yacht Club (EYC)
Windmill Class Association (WCA) Web site: www.windmillclass.com

Notice of Race

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race (NOR) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, may be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)
- 1.2 The By-Laws of the Windmill Class Association (WCA) dated March 29, 2010, will apply.
- 1.3 No US Sailing prescriptions will apply except: RRS 88.2

2. **ADVERTISING** – Boats may be required to display advertising chosen by the Organizing Authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to all boats that are registered with the Windmill Class Association. All skippers for the Windmill National Championship shall be a 2020 "Active" paid WCA, Inc. member in good standing.
- 3.2 Eligible boats shall enter by mailing the completed registration form and including a check payable to Windmill Class Association, Inc. or PayPal by July 13, 2020.
- 3.3 Entries will be accepted on site at Erie Yacht Club grounds until 4 pm Thursday 13 August 2020; the late fee will apply.
- 3.4 All skippers shall have paid all event fees before becoming official competitors.
- 3.5 Skippers and crew will be required to sign a waiver form available at check in.
- 3.6 All boats shall meet the measurement and safety standards as prescribed in the WCA By-laws.

4. **CLASSIFICATION** – This article is waived for the National Championship.

5. FEES

Event	Entry Fee	Late Entry Fee After 13 July 2020
National Windmill Class Championship	195.00	\$220.00

5.1 Registration fee includes: For each skipper and crew: Windmill Racing, (2) Friday night dinner tickets at Rickloff Community Boathouse for the Annual Windmill Meeting, and (2) Annual Windmill Class Regatta Shirts. **People who register late are NOT guaranteed ANY Regatta Shirts!**

5.2 Launching facilities: Erie Yacht Club has a lift (you must provide your own lifting harness), wooden floating dolly launch and concrete boat ramp that may be used for launching by dolly or trailer.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Registration: On-site registration, check in and signing of the required waiver form will be at the Sponar Silver Travel Trailer * located near the Erie YC launching ramp on Thursday 13 August 2020 from 9 – 11:00 am and 1 - 4:00 pm. *Or Rickloff Community Boathouse in case of bad weather.
- 6.2 Boat measurement, inspections and safety checks will be conducted near the Erie YC launching ramp on Thursday 13 August 2020 from 9-11:00 am and 1-4:00 pm.
- 6.3 National Windmill Championship – Racing is scheduled to begin on Friday 14 August 2020 and continue through Sunday 16 August 2020.
- (a) Competitors Meeting 9:00 am Friday 14 August 2020 at the Sponar’s Travel Trailer.
- (b) Scheduled time of the first Warning Signal:
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| Friday | 11:00 am |
| Saturday | 10:00 am |
| Sunday | 10:00 am |
- (c) A maximum of 12 races are scheduled to be sailed. A maximum of 5 races each day.
- (d) No race will be started after 1400 on Sunday.

7. MEASUREMENTS AND INSPECTION

- 7.1 To complete the registration process **ALL** boats will be inspected on Thursday.
- 7.2 The mainsail and jib must be measured and approved prior to the first race or have a previous Nationals Measurement signature in accordance with WCA by laws rule XIII.5.
- 7.3 In addition to sail measurements, one or more of the following measurements may be taken in accordance with WCA by rule XIII.5.E: Hull weight, mast bands, rudder and dagger board.
- 7.4 A new Windmill hull that has not been issued a measurement certificate must be measured. The owner **SHALL** contact the WCA Class Measurer Larry Christian **PRIOR** to arrival at Nationals to schedule time for appropriate measurements.***

- 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The sailing instructions will be available at the check-in, on-site registration desk and at the skippers meeting. Notices and Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official Notice board located at the Sponar’s Silver Travel Trailer.

- 9. VENUE** Racing will take place in Presque Isle Bay, Erie, PA. Tent Camping is available on Erie Yacht Club Grounds, near the Maintenance Building.

- 10. RACE COURSE** The course will be Windward-Leeward or Triangle-Windward-Leeward as described in the Sailing Instructions.

11. SCORING

- 11.1 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS Appendix A will apply.
- 11.2 Three races are required to constitute a Windmill Championship in accordance with our WCA Bylaw XIII6. E. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 When 5 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS – A2.

12. PRIZES - Windmill National: Prizes will be given to skipper and crew of the top 10 places. Prizes other than place in regatta racing may also be awarded at the discretion of the class officers.

13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY - Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 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. Competitors shall complete the waiver form and submit with the registration form and fees.

The Erie Yacht Club, Windmill Class Association, Inc., their members, volunteers, employees, officers and agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person(s) or property whether ashore or while participating in any water activities.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Sponar, Windmill Regatta Chairperson

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Social Schedule Updates to be posted on Windmill Activity Board

Wednesday 12 August 2020

If there is enough interest, we can work to get a group rate for Waldameer Park & Water World Amusement park.

Thursday 13 August 2020

9:00-11:00 am – 1:00-4:00 pm All boat skippers must meet with WCA class measurer Larry Christian near the Erie YC boat ramp to comply with boat measurements and safety inspection.

9:00-11:00 am – 1:00-4:00 pm On-site registration and check in at Sponar's Silver Travel Trailer.

5:00 – 6:30 pm Windmill Class Board of Directors Meeting at Rickloff Community Boathouse.

7:00 pm Welcoming Meet and Greet Dinner and Drinks at Rickloff Community Boathouse on the EYC grounds.

Friday 14 August 2020 Windmill National Championship Racing

0900 Skippers Meeting at Sponar's travel trailer at Erie YC boat ramp.

1100 1st Warning Signal for Racing

Daily Sailing Debrief after racing and securing boats.

6:30-10:30 pm Windmill Class Annual Meeting will be conducted followed by the Windmill Dinner at Rickloff Community Boathouse - Dress Smart Hawaiian Casual.

Saturday 15 August 2020 Windmill National Championship Racing

1000 1st Warning Signal for Racing

Daily Sailing Debrief after racing and securing boats.

Dinner on your own

Sunday 16 August 2020 Windmill National Championship Racing

1000 1st Warning Signal for Racing

No races will start after 1400 on Sunday.

Awards to follow ASAP in the Rickloff Community Boathouse after scoring is completed.