

NOTICE OF RACE

2018 Ensign Region V Championship



**Marquette Yacht Club
Marquette, MI
June 21,22 and 23, 2018**

1. **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY** – The organizing authority is the Ensign Class Association, Ensign Fleet 35, and Marquette Yacht Club.
2. **HEADQUARTERS** - The official Regatta Headquarters will be:
The Marquette Yacht Club; 201 E. Main St, Marquette, MI 49855.
3. **RULES**
 - 3.1 This Regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) the Ensign Class Association Class Rules; this Notice of Race; the Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto. In the event of conflict between the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race, the Sailing Instructions (and any amendments thereto) shall prevail. Class Rules shall not be altered by the NOR or Sailing Instructions.
 - 3.2 Boats shall comply with the Class Rules and the designer and manufacturer's original standards, which shall prevail in the event of conflict.
 - 3.3 Cabin doors may be eliminated.
 - 3.4 Each boat may be equipped with a VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on Channel 71.
4. **ADVERTISING**
 - 4.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code
5. **ELIGIBILITY**
 - 5.1 Entry is open to all members of the Ensign Class Association (ECA) who meet the eligibility requirements of the class rules, Part III, section 6.
 - 5.2 Those not qualifying under section 5.1 of this Notice of Race may apply to the ECA Governing Board for an exemption; such applications must be received by the ECA Governing Board no later than June 8, 2018.
6. **ENTRY AND REGISTRATION**
 - 6.1 Entries shall be made on the Official Entry Form and shall be mailed to: Ensign Fleet 35, c/o Jenny Grant, 216 E. Arch Street, Marquette, MI 49855, accompanied by a non-refundable entry fee of \$150. Entries received after June 1, 2018 require the payment of an additional late fee of \$25. Add \$25 to

any entry fee for a non-US Sailing member. The entry fee must be paid by check payable to Ensign Fleet 35. No entries will be accepted after 1700 on June 21, 2018.

6.2 The entry form is valid when accompanied by the applicable entry fee.

6.3 All owners shall be required to sign a declaration that their boat fully complies with Class Rules and that they will abide by said Class Rules while racing.

6.4 Entry fee includes: launch, haulout, mast in and out, trailer storage, dockage (may be rafting).

7. SCHEDULE OF RACING EVENTS

Thurs. June 21 st	0900-1800	Registration and Measurement
Friday June 22 nd	1000 1130	Skipper's Meeting at MYC Patio 1 st Race of the day Warning Signal Up to three races back to back
Saturday June 23 rd	1030 1830	1 st Race of the day Warning Signal Up to three races back to back Awards Dinner

7.1 No race shall be started after 1500 on Saturday June 23rd.

7.2 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to modify the above schedule according to prevailing weather conditions and/or other unforeseen reasons.

8. MEASUREMENT

8.1 Only sails without a measurement stamp from a prior Ensign Nationals will be measured. All sails to be used will be checked for the presence of a measurement stamp. Two suits of sails can be measured free of charge. Additional sails can be measured for a fee of \$10.00 per sail. The regatta committee reserves the right to weigh or measure any boat throughout or after the regatta. A boat that has competed in both of the last two National Championships or three of the last five National Championships will not be weighed or measured unless requested by the skipper of record. If alterations have been made to the boat or equipment since the last National Championship, the skipper of record is to request to have the boat weighed and/or measured as applicable for the changes made. If alterations have not been made, the skipper of record can still request to have the boat weighed and/or measured to validate that the boat still complies to the rule prior to competing in the National Championship.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing instructions will be available at registration. The official Sailing Instructions and any amendments thereto will be posted on the bulletin board at the Marquette Yacht Club, 201 E. Main St, Marquette, MI 49855 which is the official Regatta Headquarters.

10. RACING AREA AND COURSES

The racing area shall be the waters of Lake Superior in Marquette Bay. Courses will be windward/leeward as diagramed in the Sailing Instructions.

11. SCORING

The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix A of the RRS shall apply. Boats scored as "DNF" will be scored according to Ensign Class Rules, Part III, Rule 12C; this amends RRS Appendix

A4.2. One throwout will be allowed when five or more races have been sailed. The series will be valid if at least one race is completed.

12. PRIZES

Trophies for first through third place overall shall be awarded. An award will also be given to the winner of each individual race. Additionally, a Youth Region V Championship Award will be presented.

13. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled during the regatta without written permission of the Jury. Cleaning activities not involving hauling out are permitted.

14. DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2017-2020, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the seaworthiness of their yacht, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons or their belongings, to themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility the Organizing Authorities, all event sponsors and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the comportment of the yacht's crew, representatives and guests.

Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

In any case, competitors agree that the Organizing Authorities, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property.

As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION AND CONTACTS –

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