



Dunkirk Yacht Club

US Shark Championship

August 20-21, 2011

Notice of Race



*This Counter Regatta
is sanctioned by the
Canadian Shark Class
Association.*



You are invited to attend the US Shark Championship, being held at the Dunkirk Yacht Club, August 20-21, 2011. This is a counter regatta for the Canadian Shark Class Association (CSCA) Shark of the year.

Dunkirk Yacht Club is located just off of Route 5, west of Central Avenue on the shore of Lake Erie in Dunkirk, New York, USA.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Great racing!!!
- Friday night party!!!
- Delicious breakfast (Saturday and Sunday), dinner (Saturday), and lunch (Sunday)!!!

Note: Regrettably, we are not able to offer bagged lunches for Saturday.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing 2009 - 2012 (RRS) with the prescriptions of US SAILING, the International Shark Class Association (ISCA) General Class Rules and Specifications, and this Notice of Race, except as these are altered by the Sailing Instructions; and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The regatta is designated category "A" under RRS Regulation 20.
- 1.3 All boats will be subject to random weighing and/or inspection by a designated regatta representative to confirm compliance with the General Class Rules and Specification. All boats will be required to have available a lifting apparatus suitable for lifting the boat on a scale. In the event that a yacht is found to not comply with minimum weight requirements, does not have required correctors or equipment required to be in specified locations will be disqualified from all races sailed that day, upon notification of the Race Committee, without protest. Rule 78.3 of the RRS is modified by the addition of the foregoing. A yacht so disqualified may apply for redress pursuant to Rule 62.1 (a).

2. ENTRIES

- 2.1 The regatta is open to Shark class sailboats.
- 2.2 In addition to the requirements of RRS 75.1, a boat must be entered by a member in good standing of a Shark class national association, and that person must be the “person in charge” (RRS 46).
- 2.3 RRS 78.1 is modified so that a boat which does not have a valid measurement certificate may compete, and will not be subject to protest under the rule, if:
 - a) it complies with all other class rules,
 - b) it has not competed in another CSCA sanctioned counter regatta this calendar year,
 - c) it has not been issued a valid measurement certificate within the past five years, and
 - d) the person in charge has signed the “statement of understanding” on the Entry Form.
- 2.4 A boat may not protest another boat for allegedly breaking rule 75.2 with respect to ISAF regulation 21.1(b). This changes rule 60.1(a).

3. SCHEDULE

- 3.1 **Friday**
18:00 – 21:00 Friday Night Party

 - Saturday**
7:30 – 9:00 Registration and Launching
7:00 – 8:30 Breakfast
9:30 Competitors’ Meeting
10:30 Warning Gun, 1st Race of the Day
18:00 Dinner

 - Sunday**
7:00 – 8:30 Breakfast
10:00 Warning Gun, 1st Race of the Day
15:00-16:00 Awards and Lunch
16:00- 17:30 Haul Out
- 3.2 A maximum of six races will be sailed over the two days.
 - 3.3 No warning signal will be made after 16:00 on Saturday and 14:00 on Sunday.

4. LAUNCHING & DOCKING

- 4.1 Launch and haul-out are at the municipal pier, from 7:30 to 9:00 on Saturday and following the awards ceremony on Sunday. Trailers must be stored as directed at launch. Slips for visiting boats will be provided at the Dunkirk Yacht Club and will be assigned at registration. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places when docked. Some rafting may be required. No boats shall be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee, or to comply with measurement checks.

5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration will take place from 18:00 to 20:00 on Friday, August 19, 2011, and from 7:30 to 8:30 on Saturday, August 20, 2011.
- 5.2 Registration fee is \$120.00 (Canadian or US Funds). This includes 3 Friday night party tickets, 3 Saturday dinner tickets, 3 Sunday lunch tickets and 6 bottles of water.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be posted in the Dunkirk Yacht Club clubhouse, with copies available for competitors at registration.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 There must be more than 5 races completed for a boat's worst score to be discarded.
- 7.2 A minimum of 2 races is required to constitute a regatta.

8. CREW SUBSTITUTIONS

- 8.1 Substitution of crew during the regatta must be approved in writing by the regatta or protest committee chairperson.

9. PRIZES & TROPHIES

- 9.1 The winner of the regatta will be presented with the US Shark Championship Trophy, which will be kept at the Dunkirk Yacht Club. Keeper trophies and/or prizes will be awarded to the top five skippers and crews. Prizes will also awarded to competitors for participation.

10. INVITATION

- 10.1 Competitors and their immediate families may use the club facilities during the regatta.

11. CAMPING

- 11.1 Tent and camper camping are permitted west of the Memorial Park service road. Competitors must check with the registration desk prior to setting up their tents or campers.

12. ALCOHOL

- 12.1 City ordinance prohibit carrying open containers or consuming alcohol outside of the Dunkirk Yacht Club gate.
- 12.2 Minors (under 21 years of age) are not permitted to consume alcohol.

CONTACT

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For more information check the US Shark website at www.shark24.us. Or the Dunkirk Yacht Club Website at www.dunkiryachtclub.org.

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