

# 2024 SM SAILING GILL TROPHY NOTICE OF RACE

**Organizing Authority: Southern Mass Sailing Association**  
**Host: New Bedford YC**  
**208 Elm St Dartmouth, MA**  
**Wednesday July 31 – Friday August 2, 2024**

## 1. RULES.

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Advertising will be restricted to Category A.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P is in effect with the following changes:
  - 1.3.1 Delete the word first in P2.1
  - 1.3.2 Delete P2.2 and P2.3
  - 1.3.3 P3 is replaced with “If a boat has been protested under P1 and the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, the penalty is canceled.”
  - 1.3.4 P4 is replaced with “A boat shall not be given redress for any action by a member of the protest committee of its designated observers under P1.
  - 1.3.5 Delete P5

## 2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on Regatta Network by noon on the registration day. There will be no paper copies handed out at the regatta.

## 3. COMMUNICATION

The online official notice board is located on *Regatta Network*

## 4. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY.

- 4.1 All competitors must identify as female and have reached their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday by the first day of the regatta but not their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday during the calendar year.
- 4.2 The SMSA Administrator may waive the lower age limit at their discretion.
- 4.3 Only Sailors who are members in good standing of a club or sailing organization that is a member of Southern Mass Sailing Association (SMSA) are eligible to win the Gill Trophy, but all participants are eligible to win prizes at the regatta.
- 4.4 The regatta fee is \$150/boat.
- 4.5 All Registration and fees paid must be done on-line at Regatta Networks
- 4.3 Registration closes Monday July 29, 2024 at 1800 eastern time
- 4.4 Late registrations may be accepted and a late fee assessed at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.
- 4.5 There is a minimum of 5 boats and a maximum of 40 boats; first come, first served. The fleet size may be increased at the discretion of the SMSA Administrator.
- 4.6 The Gill trophy is a bring-your-own C420 event. Each competitor is responsible for making sure that boat is class legal and seaworthy.

## 5. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Wednesday July 31:

1530-1800 Check-in & Boat drop off at New Bedford YC

### Thursday Aug 1:

0900 Check-in

0930 Sailor's Meeting (Mandatory) at NBYC

Harbor Start. First gun time will be announced at the sailor's meeting. Racing will continue throughout the day at the discretion of the Race Committee.

### Friday Aug 2:

0930 Sailor's Meeting (Mandatory) at NBYC

Harbor Start. First gun time will be announced at the sailor's meeting. Racing will continue throughout the day at the discretion of the Race Committee.

1500 No first warning signals after this point.  
Awards as soon as possible after racing

**6. RACING AREA.** All races are planned for Buzzard Bay outside Padanaram Harbor.

## 7. COACHING, SPECTATING, SAFETY BOATS.

- 7.1 Coaching will be allowed between races.
- 7.2 Clubs and organizations with three (3) or more boats are required to bring a coach boat.
- 7.3 All coach boats must fill out a coach boat registration form, posted on Regatta Network, and turn it in prior to the start of racing.
- 7.4 Coaches, parents, and spectators may not interfere with the racers. Doing so may be grounds for removal of sailors connected to you from the regatta.
- 7.5 [DP] All Spectator and/or coach boats must have a VHF radio and are expected to act as safety boats at the direction of the PRO if necessary.

## 8. FOOD, WATER, & HOUSING:

- 8.1 The host club will provide snack options for the sailors to bring on the water with them and food after racing on Thursday. Sailors are responsible for collecting their own snacks.
- 8.2 Water will be provided from Gatorade jugs. Sailors are expected to bring their own refillable water bottle.
- 8.3 Housing will NOT be provided.

## 9. PRIZES

- 9.1 The top boat representing a SMSA club will win the Gill trophy
- 9.2 The top six (6) boats (Skipper and Crew) will receive trophies.

## 10. REGATTA CONTACTS

**Event Chair (Logistical questions)** – Bri Grenier (New Bedford YC)

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