

**FAIRFIELD HARBOUR YACHT CLUB**  
**Sunfish & Dinghy Series 2024**

## **Notice of Race**

The Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club, Ltd. (FHYC) is the Organizing Authority for the series.

### **1**     RULES

- 1.1     The event will be governed by rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing including the prescriptions of US Sailing, except as changed by this NoR or by the sailing instructions.
- 1.2     Specific attention is directed to RRS Fundamental Rules 1.1 and 3, which state:
  - 1.1     A boat or competitor shall give all possible help to any person or vessel in danger.
  - 3.       The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.
- 1.3     The first sentence of rule 44.1 is changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 in an incident while racing."

### **2.**     ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1     This event is open to Sunfish and other small one-design sailing dinghies.
- 2.2     Competitors are not required to be a member of FHYC or US Sailing to participate.
- 2.3     There may also be an open class for small boats which do not constitute a one-design providing there are a minimum of 3 entries.

### **3.**     ENTRY AND FEE

- 3.1     Entry is made by completing the Entry Form in Attachment 1.
- 3.2     The entry fee for the full series is \$10.00.
- 3.3     Entry Form and Fee

### **4**     SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 4.1     A total of 54 races are scheduled.
- 4.2     Three races are scheduled each day: Apr 7, 14, 21 & 28; May 5, & 19; Jun 2, 9, 23 & 30; Sep 8, 15, 22 & 29; Oct 6, 13, 20 & 27.
- 4.3     Additional races may be held each race day at the discretion of the RO and verbally confirmed by each competitor.
- 4.4     The first signal for the first race each day is 1400 (2:00pm).
- 4.5     On the last scheduled day Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> of racing, no warning signal will be made after 1530 (3:30pm). Awards party will be held Oct 27 shortly after the last race of the day.

### **5.**     RACING AREA

Races will be held at Fairfield Harbour in the Inner Harbour in the vicinity of the boat launch ramp.

### **6**     SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available to each competitor prior to the start of the series. They may be provided by email.

7 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors prior to 1100 race each day will be provided via email or telephone.

9 COURSES

The course for each race is intended to be generally windward/leeward.

10 SCORING

10.1 The series will be scored using a high point scoring system with place scores to be accumulated as follows: First = Number of competitors (N), Second N-1, Third N-2, Fourth N-3, and so on. This changes RRS Appendix A.

10.2 12 races are required to be participated to constitute a series.

10.3 A boat's series score is the total of her race scores with no exclusions.

10.4 When fewer than 12 races have been participated, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.

11 PRIZES

11.1 Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third places in the series.

11.2 Additional prizes will be given to each boat that participated in a minimum of 12 races.

12 SAFETY REGULATIONS

12.1 RRS 40.1 shall apply: Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device (PFD) while sailing. Wet suits and dry suits are not adequate personal buoyancy.

12.2 A boat which retires from the race shall notify the Race Committee before leaving the race course area or, if that is not possible, immediately upon arriving ashore.

13 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be either self-insured or carry adequate, valid third-party liability insurance.

14 RISK ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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.**

## 2024 FHYC Sunfish & Dinghy Series Entry Form

Skipper \_\_\_\_\_

Yacht Club affiliation \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Boat type and length \_\_\_\_\_ Sail No. \_\_\_\_\_

### WAIVER OF LIABILITY and INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

**ACCEPTANCE OF RISK:** As a condition of participating in this FHYC Regatta, I assume all risks of accident or loss. I am either self-insure or carry adequate third-party liability insurance. I recognize that sailing activities can be hazardous under certain circumstances and my participation in FHYC sponsored regatta activities is voluntary on my part and I therefore assume all risks of loss or injury when I choose to participate.

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the agreement of FAIRFIELD HARBOUR YACHT CLUB, LTD (the "Club") to allow the undersigned to participate in Club activities and to use Club facilities pursuant to the Charter, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations of the Club and for the good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby, unconditionally and irrevocably, agrees as follows: (a) TO ASSUME ALL LIABILITY AND RISK OF LOSS OR DAMAGE with respect to the person and property of the undersigned and of the undersigned's invitees and guests, which arises, in whole or in part, out of any activity, program, or function participated in or sanctioned or sponsored, in whole or in part, by the Club; and (b) TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS the Club, its members, officers, directors, employees, governors and agents for any and all claims, demands, liabilities, actions and proceedings which arise out of, in whole or in part, ANY NEGLIGENT ACT OR OMISSION by the Club, and/or the undersigned (or the undersigned's invitees and guests) while participating in any activity, program or function participated in or sanctioned or sponsored, in whole or in part, by the Club.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed and sealed this instrument this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

For Intermediate Registration Applicants Under 18 Years Old: The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must certify by signing below that they will be fully responsible for the Registrant.

Parent/Guardian Signature(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Form & Fee: **\$ 10.00** for the entire series. Make checks payable to **Jerry Rezab** and send to: Jerry Rezab, 5509 Gondolier Dr, New Bern, NC 28560