2025 AMYA DF95 Region 4 Championship May 1st - 4th, 2025 Hosted by the Sandusky Sailing Club, Sandusky, OH



1. RULES AND GOVERNANCE

The event will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing 2025-2028 (RRS) as changed by RRS Appendix E, this Notice of Race (NOR), the Sailing Instructions (SI), the DF95 Class Rules, the current applicable Heat Management System (HMS) and the Equipment Rules of Sailing (2025-2028). The Sailing Instructions shall prevail in case of conflict with this Notice of Race. All times for the event are EST (Eastern Standard Time).

1.1 CHANGE TO RULE 90.3(e)

Replace "24 hours" with "15 minutes".

1.2 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

- 1.2.1 All boats shall be checked by the technical committee prior to racing in this event. Sails will be measured as well. Please bring hull and sails, unrigged, to check-in. Boats shall be presented at check-in and equipment inspection on Thursday, May 1st from 1300 to 1500 or Friday, May 2nd from 0800 to 1000.
- 1.2.2 The Race Committee may schedule additional times and/or extend the time for inspection and check-in if there is a valid reason to do so.
- 1.2.3 No boat shall be eligible to race until it has been registered and has passed equipment inspection.
- 1.2.4 At the discretion of the PRO, checks of randomly selected boats to ensure that they comply with class rules may be conducted during the event.

1.3 FREQUENCIES

- 1.3.1 Permitted frequency bands are FCC-approved surface bands. 2.4 GHz radios are encouraged and are exempt from RRS E2.4.
- 1.3.2 Radios on 27 MHz, 53 MHz and 75 MHz are subject to the following restrictions: a) No frequency conflicts will be allowed. b) Radio frequencies will be allocated on a "first come first served" basis. c) Transmitters on 75 MHz must be narrow band certified.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to registered owners of the DF95 Class Owners Association. All competitors must be members of the AMYA and shall include their membership number on their registration form.
- 2 2 Competitors with Disabilities that require any form of help or special requirements should, prior to entry, get in touch with the club contact given in Section 8 to check if the club is able to help with the provision of any such special requirements. The onus is on the competitor.

3. REGISTRATION AND FEES

- 3.1 The fee for the event per boat is \$75.00 (paid by April 26th, 2025).
- 3.2 Registration will be limited to 60 entries.
- 3.3 Open Registration begins February 1, 2025 at 1200 for all registered DF95 Class Association members meeting the eligibility and entry requirements.
- 3.4 <u>Entry Form</u> and fees must be submitted no later than April 26th, 2025. After April 26th, 2025, the registration period is closed, and no refunds will be issued.

4. VENUE

Sandusky Sailing Club in Sandusky, OH, including the Sadler Sailing Basin and nearshore Sandusky Bay. The address is 814 E. Water St., Sandusky, OH 44870. The security gate will either be open or activate automatically by pulling up to the gate card reader.

5. SCHEDULE

Thursday, May 1st	
1300-1500	Check-in, Equipment Inspection
1200-1700	Practice

1200-1400 Free hotdogs & fixins

Friday, May 2nd

0800-1000 Check-in, Equipment Inspection
0800-1000 Practice
1045 Skipper's meeting

1100 First Warning Signal1600 No race to start after 1600 or at the PRO's discretion

1800 Sailing Club has a Friday Night Dinner that will be open to Competitors and their

families with the cost not included in the Registration Fee.

Saturday, May 3rd

Skipper's meetingFirst Warning Signal

No race to start after 1600 or at the PRO's discretion

1700 On-Site Hosted Barbecue Chicken Dinner

1700-2200 Live Music or DJ

Sunday, May 4th

Skipper's meetingFirst Warning Signal

No race to start after 1530 or at the PRO's discretion

Awards presentation 30 minutes following the final race.

7. SCORING AND RACING SYSTEM

- 7.1 The Low Point Scoring System as set forth in Appendix A of the RRS will be used.
- 7.2 The Event will be raced and scored under the current Heat Management System (HMS).
- 7.3 Five races are required to be completed to constitute the Championship.
- 7.4 Boats finishing in an incorrect heat will not be allowed to sail in their assigned heat for that race and will be scored DNS for their correct heat.

8. RACE STAFF

Regatta Co-Chairmen: VC Tim Willford, PC Matt Bedee

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

9.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, "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.

- 9.2 All those entering or taking part in this regatta do so at their own risk and responsibility. AMYA, the Sandusky Sailing Club, Regatta Staff, DF95 Class, and/or any other parties involved in the organization of this event disclaim any and all responsibility whatsoever for loss, damage, injury or inconvenience that might occur to persons and goods, both ashore and on the water as a consequence of entering or participating in the event covered by this Notice of Race.
- 9.3 At all times the responsibility for the safety of their boat and themselves including the decision to participate or continue shall rest with the competitors. By entering this event, it is deemed that you accept these conditions. Competitors are advised to ensure that they have adequate insurance that provides coverage for public liability and their possible injury in the Country and County of this event.

10. SAIL NUMBERS:

- 10.1 Personal Sail Number (PSN) priority will be given until April 26th, 2025.
- 10.2 After April 26th, 2025, first entered sail numbers will take precedence. Conflicts will be resolved prior to the event.

11. FOOD

- 11.1 Free lunch and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided to all competitors on racing days. Limited lunch, with (1) non-alcoholic beverage, will be available for non-competitors for \$10.
- 11.2 A free barbecue chicken dinner will be hosted for all competitors on Saturday, May 3rd. Limited additional dinner tickets for non-competitors will be available for \$20. Drinks will be available for purchase at Club Bar.

12. AWARDS

Trophies will be awarded to the Top 5 finishers.

13. ACCOMMODATIONS

There are many hotels and resorts near the venue; please consult local listings for the accommodations that will best serve your needs. <u>Shores & Islands Ohio</u> is a good resource for accommodations and activities for non-competitors attending w/ Regatta Competitors.

14. CONDUCT

14.1 The PRO, all race officials and observers have been directed to record any incidents, which will be dealt with to the full extent available to the Protest Committee. Penalties available to the Protest Committee include exclusion from the race in question or subsequent races, exclusion from the regatta, or other action within the Committee's jurisdiction.

15. MEDIA RIGHTS

15.1 Competitors, owners of the boats and their guests consent the use of pictures and videos of persons and boats during the regatta in the media, including commercials, press materials and all other promoting activities and press releases, unless it is notified by writing before submitting entry.