



**DC Sail Halloween Regatta
October 28, 2023
NOTICE OF RACE**

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024).
- 1.2 The National Maritime Heritage Foundation (DC Sail) is the organizing authority.
- 1.3 A three-minute dinghy starting sequence will be used.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted online at <http://www.dcsail.org/HalloweenRegatta>.
- 2.2 Supplementary sailing instructions will be posted online and provided in physical format at the racing venue.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The regatta is open to adult DC Sail members and non-members, as well as current DC Sail High School Racers.
- 3.2 Depending on the number of registrants, there may be multiple fleets with a schedule of rotations.
- 3.3 Online entry is available at <http://www.dcsail.org/HalloweenRegatta>. Registration closes on October 25th at 5pm.
- 3.4 DC Sail will provide all boats and sails. Competitors are liable for any damage to their boats due to misuse or negligence.
- 3.5 Should the weather conditions fall to where there is a heightened risk of hypothermia resulting from capsizes, the event may be cancelled. Other conditions that may cause cancellation include relentless rain, high wind speeds, no wind, etc. It is at the discretion of the Race Committee and organizing authority to cancel the event.
- 3.6 The event may also be cancelled if there are low registration numbers of fewer than 10 paid participants.

4. FEES

- 4.1 All registrants must pay a fee of \$35 per FJ individual or \$70 per FJ team. Registration fees include entry and a continental breakfast to be provided before racing.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, October 28, 2023

- 11:00 Competitors arrive
- 11:30 Competitors' meeting on DC Sail dock
- 12:00 First start
- 16:00 Awards Ceremony on DC Sail dock

6. THE COURSES

- 6.1 The course will be sailed on the Anacostia River. The course will likely be some variation of a Windward-Leeward course. The course diagrams and marks to be used will be specified in the sailing instructions.
- 6.2 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course verbally from the RC boat.

7. SCORING

- 7.1 The Low-Point Scoring System will be used.
- 7.2 No races will be excluded from scoring.
- 7.3 At least one race must be sailed to constitute a regatta.

8. PRIZES

- 8.1 The awards ceremony will be immediately after the conclusion of racing on the DC Sail dock.
- 8.2 Awards will be given to the top three finishers overall.
- 8.3 An award will be given for "Best Costume".
- 8.4 Awards for the 2023 Adult Racing Series will also be presented.

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 9.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, 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 Competitors are liable for any at-fault damage to property incurred through the duration of the regatta.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

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