

2026 N.I.Y.A. CONDITIONS RELATING TO REGATTA RACES

1. Committee Members

Chairman:

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2. Minimum Races

At least three races must be completed for any class at the annual Regatta before a championship or place can be awarded for that class. In the event of an incomplete regatta for any class, all completed races for that class are canceled and the regatta for that class starts from scratch on the later date. Any class completing 3 races will be considered complete and not rescheduled.

3. Rescheduled Regatta

Every attempt will be made prior to the first Friday in February to put one weekend between a complete NIYA and a rescheduled ISA Regatta (or vice versa). If either the NIYA Regatta or the ISA (or both) is not completed on the first Sunday in February, they will be rescheduled weekly until completed.

After the regatta has been called on and entrants make the trip to the regatta for two weekends and the regatta is still not complete, the regatta is canceled for the season.

4. Make-up Races

In order to achieve a nine race regatta, any class failing to sail all races scheduled for a given day may make up those races on subsequent days. The make-up schedule will be announced and posted by the race committee each day, with the goal to have every fleet complete all of their scheduled races.

5. Last Day Times

When any class is complete with 3 or more races by 1:00 P.M. on the last day, the regatta for that class will be complete and the standings will be final.

If one class of the series starts before 3:00 P.M., the other classes needing a race to complete their regatta can start after 3:00 P.M. to complete the series.

No race will be started after 3:00 PM except for those classes needing a race to complete their regatta. The Free-for-All will start 30 minutes after the last scheduled race.

6. Starting Positions

Starting position of the yacht for the first race in each class shall be drawn by the scorers after registration has closed. Late entrants must register with the NIYA Secretary, and start at the end of the line. Starting position thereafter shall be by the finishing position in previous race. The finish position of a yacht being disqualified will not be filled by moving the other yachts up.

7. Temperature and Wind

Steady wind of 25 MPH or more or temperature below 10 F may be used as guidelines for postponement of a race.

The race committee may consider starting races with winds over 25 MPH or temperature under 10 F if the combination of wind, temperature and ice conditions permit.

8. Trophy Schedule

If only one boat competes in any class, the perpetual trophy will be awarded but not engraved.

The number of trophies shall be as follows:

2-5 boats	1 trophy
6-10 boats	2 trophies
11-20	3 trophies
21-30	4 trophies
31 and over	5 trophies

DN Junior Class: 2-3 boats 1 trophy, 4-6 boats 2 trophies, 7 or more 3 trophies

9. Scoring

Low point scoring system shall award points to each yacht finishing a race and not thereafter being disqualified equal to the yachts finishing position. Lowest total points wins.

All other yachts (DNS, DNF, DSQ, RAF) shall score points equal to one more than the number of yachts registered in fleet.

For scoring purposes only, the finish position of yacht being disqualified will be filled by moving the other yachts up. Added yachts will readjust the previous day's fleet size for scoring purposes.

The finishing positions will be scored as the forward part of the mast crosses the finish line.

When there is a tie on total points between two or more yachts, the tie will be broken in favor of the yacht or yachts with the most first places and, when a tie remains, the most second places and so on, if necessary, for such races as count for total points. When a tie still remains, it shall stand as part of the final results.

N.I.Y.A. REGATTA SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

All races will be sailed under the rules of the National Iceboat Authority and those of the Northwest Ice Yacht Association.

2. Entries

Eligible yachts may be entered by completing registration and paying \$15.00 entry as follows:

Classes A,B,C,D,E, Renegade, DN SR, DN JR

Person whose name is on entry shall be deemed owner of yacht and any substitution of skippers for each race must be declared at time of registration.

3. Notice to Competitors

Notice to competitors will be posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located at the registration area.

4. Changes in Sailing Instructions

Any change in the sailing instructions will be posted 30 minutes before the start of the first race on the day it will take effect except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted 30 minutes after the finish of the last race on the day before it will take effect.

5. Schedule of Races

(All times are local times.) No race starts after 30 minutes prior to sunset as posted on Regatta Notice Board. At the discretion of the Race Committee, the starting order for Saturday and Sunday may be altered to allow make-up races to be moved to the front of the rotation. Such alterations in schedule shall be posted on Friday and Saturday evening on the Regatta Notice Board.

FRIDAY On-line Registration closes 7am

10:00 AM	DN	*DN	*DN
	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade
	E	E	E
	A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D
	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter

SATURDAY 9:30 AM	DN	*DN	*DN
	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade
	E	E	E
	A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D
	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter

•2nd and 3rd round of races Friday, Saturday, and Sunday will start at a time announced by the Race Committee.

SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.	DN	*DN	*DN
	Renegade	Renegade	Renegade
	E	E	E
	**A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D	A,B,C,D
	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter	ISA B&C Skeeter

Free-for-All Race

**If all classes have at least 3 races complete at the end of the day Saturday, Stern Steerers (A, B, C,D) will start first on Sunday.

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6. Racing Area

The racing area will be indicated on a map posted on the official Regatta Notice Board located at the registration area.

7. Time Limit

The time limit will be 7 1/2 minutes per mile. Any yacht finishing more than 30 minutes after the first yacht finishes will be scored DNF (Did Not Finish).

8. Protests

Intention to protest must be reported to the race committee and scoring immediately after the race. A written protest must be filed with the Northwestern Regatta Committee at Regatta Headquarters within two hours of the last race of the day. An official form must be used.

9. Marks

The marks will be a mechanical device with a minimum 3' high orange material.

(Additional parts of the mark may be set to the windward of the windward mark and leeward of the leeward mark. THEY ARE PART OF THE MARK.)

There may be different colored marks for the DN class. Check on the Bulletin Board.

There MAY be a FLASHING LIGHT near the marks. THE LIGHT IS NOT PART OF THE MARK.

10. Starting & Finishing Signal

The starting signal will be the lowering of the starters' arm or flag approximately one minute after he raises his arms or of flag to signify the preparatory signal. The finish of the first boat will be indicated by the dropping of a flag by the race committee.

The finish of a yacht may be recorded when the forward part of the mast crosses the finish line from the direction of the windward mark.

11. Safety Zone

An area to leeward of the finish line (the Safety Zone) will be designated with "zone markers". No yacht, sailing gear, helms person, crew or spectator is allowed to be parked in the Finishing Zone. The starting blocks positioned in the Finishing Zone must be left vacant until all yachts have finished the race in progress. Failure to comply with is regulation may be cause for disqualification from the day's races.

12. Yacht Specifications

Each class must conform to the regulations and specifications of its individual association.

13. Disqualification (DSQ)

You may be DSQ 1. For parking your boat in the Safety Zone.

2. For talking to the scorers when they are scoring.