

**2018 DOWNEAST FLEET RACING INVITATIONAL
and
Maine Schools Sailing Association Championship**

NOTICE OF RACE

Sponsored by
George Stevens Academy

Hosted by
Maine Maritime Academy, Castine, Maine

May 12 & 13, 2018

Directions: <http://mainemaritime.edu/about-mma/visit-mma/map-directions/>

1. RULES:

- a. The regatta will be governed by the ISSA Procedural Rules, The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020, the Prescriptions of US SAILING, this Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions.
- b. A responsible adult must accompany the team.
- c. Serious Collisions rule will be in effect.

2. SAFETY: All participants and spectators must wear a dry suit or full heavy duty wetsuit while racing as well as a USCG approved type III lifejacket which must be worn at all times while on the water.

3. FORMAT & ELIGIBILITY:

- a. One team (A & B Divisions) from each school or community team may enter. A & B divisions will sail separately.
- b. There will be a limit of 20 teams.
- c. Selection of competing teams will be based on the date of receipt of completed entry forms with payment included.
- d. A second team may enter in the event that less than 20 schools enter and with advance approval from the Regatta Chair. Decisions regarding second teams will be made after all entry forms and fees have been received and reviewed. Notification will be made by e-mail. Second teams will be scored separately.
- e. All participants must be currently registered as a high school freshman, sophomore, junior or senior and be between the ages of 14 and 18.

4. Maine Schools Sailing Association Championship: This regatta also will serve as the Maine Schools Sailing Association Championship. Separate parallel scoring will be done for school teams located in Maine.

5. ENTRY: The entry form must be completed and a check sent to: George Stevens Academy, Attn: Larry Gray, 23 Union Street, Blue Hill, Me. 04614, by May 1, 2018.

6. FEE: The full entry fee is \$80 per sailor, coach and any other accompanying adult (pays for housing, meals and t-shirt). Housing is available for Friday and Saturday night. Breakfast and lunch are provided both days, with dinner Saturday. Fees must be received by May 1st. Please make check payable to George Stevens Academy. A reduced entry fee is available for teams that do not require housing. Please contact Larry Gray, George Stevens, for pricing.

7. BOATS: Boats will be Laser Performance 420s provided by Maine Maritime Academy.

8. COMPETITORS MEETING AND SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: There will be a mandatory Competitor's meeting for coaches and sailors at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 12, 2018 in Payson Hall on the waterfront at Maine Maritime Academy. Sailing instructions will be available at registration.

9. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Saturday, May 12

Breakfast 0830

Registration opens 0900

Report Time 0930

Competitors Meeting 0930

Racing Begins 1100

Dinner 1800

MMA slide show 1800

Sunday, May 13

Breakfast 0830

Competitors Meeting 0900

Racing Begins 1000, no race to start after 1500

Awards ASAP

10. SAILING AREA: The sailing area will be in the Smith Cove area of Castine Harbor.

11. HOUSING: Housing is being offered in Curtis Hall, MMA's undergraduate dormitory and is available Friday and Saturday nights. There are two beds to a room and no bedding so sleeping bags are needed as well as towels for showering. Sailors must be accompanied by appropriate chaperones. Be sure to eat prior to arriving in the Blue Hill Peninsula on Friday evening, no fast food past Bucksport.

12. DINNER: There will be a dinner on Saturday, May 12 around 5-6:00 p.m. for all participants and coaches. For guests who are not included on the entry form there will be a \$15.00 charge per person for the dinner. Advance reservations are required.

13. TROPHIES:

- a. The Jim Modisette Memorial Downeast Regatta Trophy will be awarded to the team that is first place overall.
- b. The MSSA Championship Trophy will be awarded to the 1st place Maine school team.
- c. Additionally, an inaugural Butch Minson Memorial Trophy will be awarded, the criteria of which will be announced at registration.

14. INFORMATION:

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