



**NORTHEAST REGION SEA SCOUT, BSA  
CHESAPEAKE SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP  
September 29 - October 1, 2017**



**NOTICE OF RACE**

**Preamble**

The Northeast Region Sail Competitions are the qualifying events for the William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup 2018.

The Race Committee/Organizing Authority is the Northeast Region Sea Scout Committee, hosted by the Sailing Center Chesapeake at Tall Timbers Marina, Tall Timbers, Mar

The 2018 Northeast Region Sea Scout Chesapeake Sail Competition 2017 will commence with the mustering at the Sailing Center, Tall Timbers Marina on September 30, 2017 at 0900 and end with the awards ceremony at 1330 on October 1, 2017.

**Part 1 –GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

- 1.0 **Race Headquarters.** The Event Headquarters will be located at the Sailing Center, Tall Timbers Marina, 18521 Herring Creek Road, Tall Timbers, MD 20690. Prior to the event, address all correspondence, other than applications, to the Sail Competition Coordinator, Shawn Matlock at keysail.shawn@gmail.com or call (443) 643-8069.
- 1.1 **Race Web Site.**
- 1.2 **Event Cost.** The event cost is \$70 per youth and \$50 per adult. The event cost includes three meals, lodging, event t-shirt and prizes. The event cost does not include the cost of travel to or from the berthing location and/or the Sailing Center.
- 1.3 **Accommodations, Transportation, Meals, Visitors and What to Bring.**
  - 1.3.1 **Accommodations.** Participants will stay at the campgrounds at the Navy Recreation Center Solomons, 13855 Solomons Island Road, Solomons, MD 20688. Tents and associated camping equipment must be provided by the participants. Relatives and guests may stay at the campground by paying the full fee. There is a Choice Hotel in Solomons, MD near the Navy Recreation Center. Other nearby hotels are located in Lexington Park, MD.
  - 1.3.2 **Transportation.** The event does not provide transportation to or from the Navy Recreation Center. There is limited parking available at the Tall Timbers Marina.
  - 1.3.3 **Meals.** The event provides three meals. A cold breakfast will be provided at the Navy Recreation Center on Saturday and Sunday mornings at 0730. Lunch will be provided at the picnic grounds at Tall Timbers Marina on both Saturday and Sunday.
  - 1.3.4 **What to Bring.** Participants should bring the following:
    - Shorts, shirts
    - Underwear
    - Non-inflatable, USCG approved type III life jacket
    - Towel
    - Sunscreen, Bug repellent
    - Toiletry kit

Swim suit  
Shoes to wear racing (Must cover foot, and fit tight)  
Warm clothes (Jacket or sweat shirt)  
Hat for sun protection  
Tent, camping gear  
Sleeping bag

#### 1.4 **Public Safety and Health Care**

- 1.4.1 **Physically Demanding Event.** This event is physically demanding. Participants must launch their own boats from the shore. While on the boat they will be constantly moving. Wide temperature ranges are possible. Boats are easy to capsize, and participants must have the strength to right them. Participants must prepare for all weather conditions.
- 1.4.2 **Muster.** All participants and staff are required to muster daily at 0900 at the Sailing Center at the Tall Timbers Marina.
- 1.4.3 **Public Safety.** Public Safety issues should be brought to the attention of the Sail Competition Coordinator.
- 1.4.4 **Healthcare.** Health issues should be brought to the attention of the designated medic, or the Sail Competition Coordinator.

### PART 2 –RULES, ELIGIBILITY AND CONDITIONS OF THE EVENT

#### 2.0 **Rules**

- 2.0.1 **Governance.** The Sail Competition will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2009-2013 and the BSA Guide to Safe-Boating Standards, the Sailing Instructions, and the Official Notice of Race.
- 2.0.2 **Crews.** All vessels shall be sailed by a crew of two (2) persons.
- 2.0.3 **Vessels.** The races will be conducted in FJs as provided by the Sailing Center Chesapeake. The vessels will be sloop rigged with no spinnakers. This is not a class or association sanctioned event, class rules will not apply,
- 2.0.4 **The Guide to Safe Scouting Article XII, Transportation, Boats, Section 6.** The provisions to have on-board oars and rowlocks, fire extinguishers and lights are waived for the competing vessels only.
- 2.05 **Attire.** Scout should wear their working uniform for the opening ceremonies and award ceremonies. Participants should wear scouting appropriate or scout themed attire during the competition and at event venues. Clothing that advertises or displays business, tobacco or alcoholic products or inappropriate material are prohibited and cannot be worn during competition or at event venues.

#### 2.1 **Eligibility**

- 2.1.1 **Sea Scouts.** The event is open only to currently registered Sea Scouts in the Boy Scouts of America who have obtained the rank of Apprentice no later than September 30, 2018.
- 2.1.2 **Youth Participants.** All youth participants must be at least fourteen (14) years of age on September 30, 2017, and less than twenty-one (21) years of age on July 31, 2018.

#### 2.2 **Open Event**

- 2.2.1 **Open Event.** This event is open to all Sea Scouts in the Northeast Region of the United States. The event is open to twenty (20) two-person crews. Applications will be accepted for one crew per ship. If all 20 positions are not filled, then ships may submit applications for more crews. Applications will be accepted on a first come –first served basis.
- 2.2.2 **Applications.** Application forms are an attachment to this notice.

2.2.3 Application fees are due at the time of the application. Applications are not final until payment is made.

## 2.3 **Schedule of Events**

- August 31, 2017           Deadline for applications.
- September 29, 2017       Arrive at Navy Recreation Center Solomons  
Setup tents, arrange sleeping gear  
2300 Lights out
- September 30, 2017       0730 Breakfast at Navy Recreation Center  
0830 Drive to Sailing Center, Tall Timbers Marina  
0900 Opening Ceremony (Flag Raising)  
0905 Chalk Talk Sail Racing Overview  
1000 Rig boats  
1030 Start first practice race  
1230 Lunch  
1300 Launch boats  
1330 Start first set of races  
1700 Start last race of the day  
1800 Dinner  
2000 Drive to Navy Recreation Center  
2300 Lights out
- October 1, 2017           0730 Breakfast at Navy Recreation Center  
0800 Stow tents, Check out from Navy Recreation Center  
0830 Drive to Sailing Center, Tall Timbers Marina  
0900 Rig boats  
0930 Start second set of races  
1230 Last race of the weekend  
1300 Stow boats and gear  
1330 Awards Ceremony  
1400 End of weekend

2.4 **Sailing Instructions.** Sailing Instructions are available. They will also be provided at check-in at the Sailing Center on Friday, September 29th.

2.5 **Racing Area.** It is anticipated that there will be only one racing area for the Sail Off. The designated area will be posted at the Sailing Center.

## 2.6 **Scoring**

- 2.6.1 Low Point Scoring System. The low point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply, except that each boat's series score will be the sum of all of her race scores without discard. Each crew from each ship will be scored separately and a crew's regatta score shall be the total of her race scores in the final series. The lowest series score wins.
- 2.6.2 RRS A4.2 Modified. RRS A4.2 is modified such that a Crew that does not start, did not finish, retires after finishing, or is disqualified, will be scored one (1) point more than the number of competitors in the sail off.
- 2.6.3 Complete Races Required. A minimum of five (5) teams participating in a minimum of four (4) races are required to be completed to be an official Koch Cup qualifying event, and for this regatta to be official..

2.6.4 **Low Scores.** The Crews with the lowest series scores shall win the Sail Off.

2.6.5 **Practice Scores Not Carried Forward.** Scores from the practice racing shall not carry forward to the Sail Off.

2.7 **Decisions of the Race Jury**

2.7.1 The jury shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members, which shall include one (2) members designated by the Sail Competition Coordinator, one (1) person associated with sail racing.

2.7.2 The jury shall hear protests and make determinations regarding the rules of the Sail Competition and safety issues. All decisions of the Race Committee/Jury shall be final in accordance with RRS and the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.

2.8 **Arbitration.** For protests involving an alleged breach of the Rules of Part 2 of the RRS, no arbitration hearing will be heard prior to the protest hearing.

2.9 **Responsibility.** The safety of a vessel and its crew is the sole responsibility of the Skipper. The Skipper of each vessel shall decide whether or not to start or continue in any race. In the event of weather or other unsafe conditions, the Race Committee may determine to postpone or abandon racing. All participants including staff shall wear a USCG certified type I, II or III personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while on or near the water. Racing participants may not wear an inflatable device. Participants must supply their own PFD, in good condition.

2.10 **Prizes.** Prizes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place of the Sail Competition. A trophy will be presented to the Winning Ship (the team's skipper's ship is the ship of record). In addition, top two finishers will be invited to the 2018 William I. Koch International Sea Scout Cup (the "Koch Cup") to be held the Summer of, 2018. The third most qualified third place finisher between the two regional qualifiers, based on number races, quality of field and results will also receive an invitation to the Koch Cup Alternates will be selected from the other top finishers. The exact number of invitations will be a function of the number of participants allocated to the Northeast Region. A list of alternates will also be maintained by the Northeast Region sailing coordinator..

2.11 **Amendments to this Notice.** The Event Committee and Jury reserve the right to amend this Official Notice of Race at any time. Amendments made before the race date will be publicized in the usual manner, and e-mailed to those crews whose entries have been completed. Amendments to this notice after September 15, will be posted at the Sailing Center, and will be available at the skippers meeting.



# NORTHEAST REGION SEA SCOUT CHESAPEAKE SAILING CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT APPLICATION

September 29 - October 1, 2017



**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION: August 31, 2017**

A complete application consists of the following:

Completed application form

Check for Sail Off fees

Sailing Center Chesapeake Code of Conduct (Signed by participant and parent)

Sailing Center Chesapeake Parents' Consent, Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement (signed by participant and parent) Event Roster (with Crew information)

**A completed Boy Scout Physical is required to be provided at the time of the Regatta. This is a mandatory requirement.**

**Please mail this application to Steve Nichols, 10621 Cavalcade Street, Great Falls, VA 22066. Include a check for fees made out to "Friends of Sea Scouts of Maryland, Inc." and e-mail the completed application form and roster to [keysail.shawn@gmail.com](mailto:keysail.shawn@gmail.com).**

Ship Number \_\_\_\_\_ Council \_\_\_\_\_

Adult In-Charge \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Ship Skipper's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults            Male \_\_\_\_\_            Female \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Youth            Male \_\_\_\_\_            Female \_\_\_\_\_

Any Special Considerations Needed? \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Time/Date of Arrival \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Number of Crews you will enter in Sailing Championships \_\_\_\_\_

Boat Skipper Full Name Member A \_\_\_\_\_ Crew Member B \_\_\_\_\_

Date Achieved Apprentice:    A \_\_\_\_\_                                  B \_\_\_\_\_

Skipper Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ current age \_\_\_\_\_

Crew date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ current age \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Youth \_\_\_\_\_ X \$70.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ X \$50.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Total Participant Cost: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirts:    \_\_\_\_\_ XS    \_\_\_\_\_ SM    \_\_\_\_\_ M    \_\_\_\_\_ L    \_\_\_\_\_ XL

We have enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Please make checks payable to: Friends of Sea Scouts of Maryland, Inc.  
Please include a roster, that includes full name, age, gender, mailing address, telephone number, e-mail address and rank (if applicable) for all attendees.**



**Parents' Consent  
And  
Waiver of Liability - Assumption of Risk - Indemnity  
Agreement**



We, the undersigned parents or legal guardians (hereafter referred to in the singular) of \_\_\_\_\_ (herein referred to as the "child"), request that the child be allowed to participate in the Northeast Region Chesapeake Sail Competition at the Chesapeake Sailing Center (herein referred to as "the activities").

This agreement shall remain in effect until Sailing Center Chesapeake receives written notice of the cancellation of the consent, or until the end of the activities described above.

In return for the child being permitted to take part in the activities and to use the facilities and property of Sailing Center Chesapeake, each of us makes the following promises and warrants the truth of the following facts:

1. I am familiar with the programs included in the activities, and I understand officers of Sailing Center Chesapeake are available to discuss the activities if I should wish additional information. I will inform my child that he/she is expected to cooperate with, and follow the directions of, the persons in charge of the activities and to act in a manner consistent with the spirit of good sportsmanship and respect for the rights of others.
2. My child is in good health, and I know of no reason why he/she would be incapable of participating in the activities. My child knows how to swim or can pass the required swim test. I will immediately notify the designated Sailing Center Chesapeake's Coordinator, if a change in my child's health or other condition would affect my child's ability to participate in the activities.
3. **WAIVER OF LIABILITY:** I waive and release any right I, my heirs, distributees, guardians, legal representatives and assigns may have or acquire to make a claim against, sue, attach the property of, or prosecute the Sailing Center Chesapeake or any of its members, governors, officers, agents, instructors, and affiliated organizations (herein referred to as the "releasees") for monetary damages caused by injury to my child or damage to the property of my child or myself arising from my child's participation in the activities and use of the facilities and property of the Sailing Center Chesapeake, whether or not the injury or damage results from the negligence or other action, except intentional acts, of any of the releasees.
4. **ASSUMPTION OF RISK:** I am aware that the activities may involve maneuvering a boat, sailboard or other watercraft on deep waters in potentially hazardous conditions which may include, among other things, strong winds and high waves, sudden and unexpected immersion in deep waters and collision with other watercraft or stationary objects such as docks, pilings, and buoys. With knowledge of the dangers involved, I voluntarily ask that my child be allowed to take part in the activities. I ACCEPT ANY AND ALL RISKS TO MYSELF AND MY CHILD OF INJURY, DEATH, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE ARISING FROM PARTICIPATION IN THE ACTIVITIES AND THE USE OF THE FACILITIES AND PROPERTY OF THE SAILING CENTER CHESAPEAKE, WHETHER OR NOT CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OR OTHER ACTION, EXCEPT INTENTIONAL ACTS, OF ANY OF THE RELEASEES.

5. **INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:** I agree to indemnify and hold the releasees harmless from any loss, liability, damage or costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, they may incur due to my child's participation in the activities and use of the property and facilities of the Sailing Center Chesapeake, whether or not such loss, liability, damage or cost results from the negligence or other action, except intentional acts, of any of the releasees.

6. **TALENT RELEASE:** I hereby assign and grant to the Boy Scouts of America and the Northeast Region Chesapeake Sail Competition co-sponsors the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me this date by the Boy Scouts of America, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America from any and all liability from such use and publication.

I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage and/or distribution of said photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the Boy Scouts of America and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THE AGREEMENT INCLUDES A WAIVER OF LIABILITY, AN ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND AN AGREEMENT BY ME TO INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES, AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT or LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_



## Sailing Center Chesapeake

# PARTICIPANT CODE OF CONDUCT

Please read the following provisions carefully. Both the participant and a parent or guardian are required to sign below.

To achieve its goals of conducting the Chesapeake Sail Offs, SCC requires all participants to follow these rules:

### **GENERAL SAFETY**

1. A non-inflatable Coast Guard-approved Type 2 or 3 personal floatation device (PFD) must be worn properly secured at all times when in boats or near the water and at other times as directed.
2. Students must wear clothing appropriate for prevailing weather conditions. Suitable footwear must be worn at all times. Open-toed footwear, e.g., sandals, is not acceptable.
3. No glass containers are allowed anywhere on the grounds or in the boats.

### **A. BEHAVIOR**

1. Sportsmanlike conduct is expected at all times, on and off the water. Foul language, disruptive behavior, or disrespectful comments or gestures will not be tolerated. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action enforced by the coaches and other SCC volunteers.
2. No running, pushing, or unauthorized swimming is permitted.
3. Piers, ramps, and other equipment are to be used only for their specified purposes.
4. Participants will return boats and equipment to proper storage areas as soon as possible upon completion of the day's activities. All personal gear and items will be properly secured and the dock and launch areas will be kept clean, neat and free from obstructions.
5. The participant will not tamper with, use or borrow equipment or other items that do not belong to him or her. Unauthorized use of another's property constitutes theft.
6. Use of alcohol, drugs, tobacco, and other banned substances is strictly forbidden.
7. Students are not permitted to use the facilities of the SCC except during the times for organized class, practice or sailing sessions.

### **B. RESTRICTED AREAS**

1. Designated rooms are to be used for changing clothes only. Restrooms and other areas will be kept clean and neat at all times.
2. Sailors must store their gear in designated areas only.

### **PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT:**

I understand that in joining the high school sailing program, I agree to obey all event rules as set forth by the event staff, that I will use utmost care in the use of boats and equipment, and that I will not engage in any horseplay or disruptive behavior. I understand that failure to attend regularly, arrive promptly, and abide by the rules of this Code of Conduct may result in my disqualification from the event.

Participant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **PARENT OR GUARDIAN AGREEMENT:**

I/We understand the contents of this statement and agree to see to it that our child adheres to the event rules. I/We agree to assume the obligation for the expenses of repair and/or replacement of SCC equipment that is attributable to my child's reckless or irresponsible behavior

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_