



September 9-16, 2023
Newport, Rhode Island

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS 1

Due to the forecasted hurricane, racing on Saturday is cancelled. Racing on Friday will begin at 0900 and will be sailed at either Area Romeo or Area Tango. Following racing that day, the fleet of IC37s will be taken out of the water at Safe Harbor New England Boatworks.

Making this happen will require the assistance of all competitors. Following the last race on Friday, all boats are to proceed to the area near SH-NEB, shown on the following page. The boat driver and one crew shall remain onboard until the boat can be brought into the slings. The remaining crew, gear and sails will be transferred to a RIB, taken into the harbor and offloaded at a dock. When it is time for the boat to be brought into the harbor, a NYYC staff member will come on board and helm the boat for this process. Once in the slings the remaining two crew members will be able to disembark.

Before any crews get transferred, please ensure the following:

- All 5 shims are installed
- Mainsail and jib are leech flaked with the battens stacked towards the aft end of the sail, bagged and folded in thirds.
- Yacht club name, burgee, country flag and red/orange/yellow flags should be left on board.
- All gear, garbage, etc. removed.

Crews and gear will be shuttled to Harbour Court via buses or vans as efficiently as possible.

We expect this process to take about 3-4 hours from start to finish. To the best of our ability, we will call boats into the slings in the fairest order possible. We will also endeavor to get the remaining crews off the boats as soon as possible if and when we have other drivers available to relieve them. However, everyone should be prepared with regards to gear and provisions to be out there for a couple hours.

We know this isn't the most glamorous way to end a regatta and truly appreciate everyone's assistance to ensure that we can get as much racing in as possible as well as keep the boats safe in the anticipated weather.

**Posted 1700
September 13, 2023**

