

**Southern Yacht Club
Performance Handicap Fleet
2017 Spring, Fall and Overall Series
NOTICE OF RACE**

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and US Sailing prescriptions; applicable class and/or rating rules (GYA-PHRF); the SYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI); and this Notice of Race (NOR). When there is a conflict between rules, succeeding documents in this list shall govern. This alters RRS 63.7.
- 1.2 RRS 44.1, 52, 63.7, A2, A8 and A9 are altered herein.
- 1.3 Rating certificates must be issued by GYA PHRF.
- 1.4 Powered winches are allowed in the Classic Division. This alters RRS 52.
- 1.5 A component series event may have separate rules which supersede these for that event only.

2 ELIGIBILITY and CLASS BREAKS

- 2.1 OPEN DIVISION yachts shall have a valid GYA-PHRF monohull rating certificate. Class breaks will be determined as entries warrant.
- 2.2 CLASSIC DIVISION yachts shall have a valid GYA-PHRF monohull rating certificate without a "Sport Boat" or "X-PHRF" designation. The classes will be PERFORMANCE, SPINNAKER and NON-SPINNAKER as determined by the Classic fleet organization.
 - 2.2.1 CLASSIC SPINNAKER: A Classic Yacht shall be wet sailed, have inboard propulsion and a cruising interior (standing headroom, permanently installed & plumbed head/shower, galley, lighting, sleeping berths). A Classic Yacht shall be rigged with a symmetrical spinnaker with exception made for those vessels whose asymmetrical spinnaker and sprit pole does not exceed the measurements described in GYA Appendix C that result in a -3 second rating adjustment ("*-3 seconds adjustment a asymmetrical spinnaker not greater than 123% of a standard J pole symmetrical spinnaker may be tacked to a sprit/structure not greater than J + 2.5"*").
- 2.3 The Scratch Sheet will be distributed prior to the first series event. The Organizing Authority shall have the final determination on all class breaks and assignments.
- 2.4 Each registrant (skipper) must be a member of a recognized yacht club or other sailing association.

3 ENTRY and FEES

- 3.1 Entry in the series may be made online via the SYC web site and Regatta Network. There is no entry fee.
- 3.2 Separate entry in certain component events is also required, which may include payment of respective entry fees.
- 3.3 Skippers must join their respective fleet organization to be eligible for prizes.

4 COURSES

- 4.1 Component events may have separate race documents specifying the courses.
- 4.2 PH Race Day courses will be in accordance with the GSI and the following guidelines:
 - OPEN courses are typically multi-round, windward-leeward. Length may vary by class.
 - CLASSIC courses are typically a single triangle or steeplechase for all classes.
 - The R/C may set other courses at its sole discretion.

5 SERIES SCHEDULE

Date	Day	Start	Event	Open Division	Classic Division
April 8	Sat	1000	PH Race Day	Spring #1/2	Spring #1
April 15	Sat	1000	PH Race Day	Spring #3/4	Spring #2
April 23	Sun	1000	SYC Opening Regatta	Spring #5	Spring #3
May 20-21	S/S	pursuit	Mandeville Race	Spring #6	Spring #4
June 4	Sun	1000	PH Race Day	Spring #7/8	Spring #5
September 9	Sat	1000	PH Race Day	Fall #1/2	Fall #1
September 17	Sun	1000	PH Race Day	Fall #3/4	Fall #2
September 23	Sat	1000	PH Race Day	Fall #5/6	Fall #3
September 30	Sat	pursuit	Great Lake Race, CSA	- -	Fall #4
October 15	Sun	1000	SYC Closing Regatta	Fall #7	Fall #5
December 2	Sat	(verify)	Sugar Bowl Regatta, NOYC	Sugar Bowl	Sugar Bowl
Overall Series				All (16) events	All (11) events

Events not sailed on scheduled dates will not be scored. There are no make-up dates.

6 SCORING & PRIZES

6.1 The events to be scored for each series are listed in the Series Schedule. One (1) race or event will constitute a series. Yachts will be scored in their respective class or division, excluding non-series boats.

6.2 Each yacht's series score will be the sum of her (n) best event scores, enumerated as shown. This alters RRS A2.

	Open	Classic
Spring Series	6 of 8	4 of 5
Fall Series	5 of 7	4 of 5
Overall Series	11 of 16	9 of 11

6.3 Yachts that come to the starting area for at least one race on a PH Race Day shall not be scored as DNC for any race sailed on that day. Yachts scored as DNC will receive points equal to the number of boats that came to the starting area for that event plus two (2) points. This alters RRS A9.

6.4 MANDEVILLE RACE – The event score for each Open yacht will be her overall place for this two-stage regatta. The event score for each Classic yacht will be her best finishing place in either one of the (2) stages. *Thus, two Classic yachts may have the same score for this event.*

6.5 PH Race Day daily prizes will be awarded to the highest placing, eligible skipper or crew in each class present at the post-race gathering. Series prizes will be awarded at the SYC Annual Awards Banquet. See NOR 3.3.

7 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS

US Sailing Appendix V – ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES will apply. This alters RRS 44.1.

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the series entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with a competitor's participation in the series.

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