



Thursday, October 19 – Sunday, October 22, 2017

Organizing Authority:

Sea Star Base Galveston

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

1.2 Sonar Class Association Appendix B - Alternative Rules will be in effect. In addition, whisker poles are allowed. Spinnaker poles are not permitted.

a. The US Sailing Prescription to Rule 40 will not apply and the preamble to Part 4 will be changed to require PFD use, dock to dock. A U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device, or in the case of overseas competitors, a personal flotation device approved by their Government's corresponding Maritime Authority, shall be worn, properly fastened, at all times, while launching and sailing, except while temporarily adding or removing clothing.

b. The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: 'A boat may take a OneTurn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing.'

c. The US Sailing Prescriptions to Rules 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.

1.5 Appendix T shall apply.

1.6 In case of a conflict between Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall govern. This changes RRS 63.7.

2 ADVERTISING

2.1 Advertising shall conform to the current WS Regulation 20.

2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority in accordance with WS Regulation 20.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

3.1 The regatta is open to Sonar class sailboats.

3.2 All sailors with disabilities are eligible to compete.

3.3 Triplehanded entry is open to not less than one sailor with a disability in the Sonar class.

3.4 The helmsman of each boat shall be a member of his or her national authority. The U.S. national authority is US Sailing. Proof of membership will be required.

3.5 Eligible competitors may enter by completing the entry form on the Sea Star Base website, https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=15363 or on ssbgalveston.org . Competitors using equipment provided by Sea Star Base Galveston (SSBG) shall complete an equipment waiver.

4 BOATS

4.1 All Sonars with appropriate adaptations are provided by SSBG for competitor use.

4.2 The organizing authority may require SSBG provided boats to be rotated and such rotation may be listed daily.

4.3 All teams using boats provided by SSBG shall post a damage deposit with SSBG in the amount of \$500.00. This deposit will be collected by SSBG at registration.

5 FEES

5.1 Required fees are as follows:

Registration received before September 20th - \$300 per team – After September 20th \$400 per team.

Housing available on-site - \$30 per night per person.

6 SCHEDULE

Thursday October, 19th

0900-1000	Continental Breakfast and Registration
1000-1200	Boat prep and rigging
1200-1300	Lunch and discussion of sailing area
1300-1600	Practice
1730	Dinner

Friday October 20th

0900	Continental Breakfast and Skippers Meeting
1030	First Warning
1230-1330	Lunch
1400	Second Warning – No warnings after 1600
1800	Cocktail Hour/Studio 54 Gala

Saturday October 21st

0900	Continental Breakfast and Skippers Meeting
1030	First Warning
1230-1330	Lunch
1400	Second Warning – No warnings after 1630
1600	Dinner

Sunday October 22nd

0900	Continental Breakfast and Skippers Meeting
1030	First Warning No Warning after 1330 snacks provided
1430	Awards Dinner

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be provided at registration and may be available on the website.

8 VENUE

8.1 The regatta will be held at Sea Star Base Galveston, 7509 Broadway, Galveston, TX 77554

8.2 Racing will be on Offatts Bayou, a part of Galveston Bay.

9 THE COURSES

The courses will be described in the sailing instructions.

10 SCORING

10.1 One completed race will constitute a regatta for a class.

10.2 When a class has completed five or fewer races, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores. When her class has completed six or more races, a boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes rule A2.

11 BERTHING

All boats shall be kept at SSBG docks as directed by regatta officials.

12 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13 RADIO COMMUNICATION

13.1 While racing, and except in an emergency, or as directed by the race committee, a boat shall neither make nor receive transmissions by radio, mobile telephones or other electronic devices that are not available to all boats.

13.2 SSBG is not responsible for providing VHF radios for SSBG sonars.

14 PRIZES

14.1 Awards will be presented to the first, second and third place boats at the conclusion of racing on Sunday, October 22, 2017.

14.2 The winning team in the Sonar class will receive the Doolin Cup Triplehanded Trophy, which will be appropriately engraved and will remain on display at SSBG.

15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Organizing Authority and Committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the regatta. A waiver shall be signed by all competitors and shall be considered one of the documents governing the regatta.

16 PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever for editorial, commercial purposes, or to be used in press information.

17 REGATTA CONTACT

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