

2018 Hobie 17 North American Championship

O C E A N S P R I N G S , M I S S I S S I P P I

APRIL 5 – 8, Ocean Springs Yacht Club

Organizing Authority – Hobie Class Association of North America (HCA-NA)

RULES: The regatta will be governed by rules as defined by the 2017 - 2020 Racing Rules of Sailing. This will be an International Event, therefore pursuant to the US Sailing prescription to RRS 88.2, the US Sailing prescription to RRS 40 is deleted. If there is a conflict between languages, the ENGLISH text will take precedence.

ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY & CLASSES: The event is open to all class legal Hobie 17s. Per IHCA Class Rule 26 all crew must be 2018 HCA-NA members.

FEES: Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration on Regatta Network, link below. Fees will be \$200 per boat online if received before March 15, 2018. On-site registration: \$250/boat.

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16018>

SCHEDULE: Objective is 3-5 races per day with no maximum number of races scheduled.

Wednesday April 4

Check In: 1500 – 1900

Thursday April 5

0800 – Breakfast

0900 – Competitor's Meeting

1130 – 1st Warning Signal

1800 – Welcome Gathering

Friday April 6

0800 – Breakfast

1100 – 1st Warning Signal

1800 – Dinner - \$15/person

Saturday April 7

0800 – Breakfast

1100 – 1st Warning Signal

1800 – Dinner Party

Sunday April 8

0800 – Breakfast

1100 – 1st Warning Signal

1400 – No Warning Signal
after this time

MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION: Competitors are responsible for ensuring their equipment is class legal according to HCA Class Rules. Crew members will be weighed in accordance with class rules at check-in. During the competition, any boat may be subject to inspection and any crew may also be subject to additional weigh-in.

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS: May be available online 1 week prior to the event and shall be available on-site.

VENUE: The waters of Biloxi Bay. Ocean Springs Yacht Club, 100 Front Beach Dr., Ocean Springs, MS

PENALTY SYSTEM: Rule 44.1 is changed to a One-Turn Penalty, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

RADIO COMMUNICATION: Sailors may bring a VHF radio. Use & restrictions shall be described in the SIs.

INSURANCE: Each participating boat shall have current third-party liability insurance - minimum coverage of not less than \$100,000 USD. Proof of this insurance must be presented at registration/check-in.

ACCOMODATIONS: (Mention OSYC – Hobie Mid-Winters for special deals)

- Gulf Hills Hotel - \$89.99/night – best deal in town (866) 875-4211
- Golden Nugget Casino (228) 435-5400
- Travelodge Ocean Springs (228) 215-1144
- Limited primitive RV parking and camping on-site for a modest fee. No water, sewage or electrical connections available. RV parking will be limited to parking areas on the north side of the clubhouse

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