



**NOTICE OF REGATTA
CORPUS CHRISTI YACHT CLUB
2018 Independence Day Regatta
Wednesday, July 4th, 2018**



****In Conjunction with the City of Corpus Christi and the Mayor's
Big Bang Event****

1. INVITATION

- 1.1. You are cordially invited to participate in and attend the 2018 Independence Day Regatta scheduled for July 4, 2018.
- 1.2. The regatta is open to any yacht that files the proper entry form and fee by the entry deadline.
- 1.3. The regatta is open to any yacht that holds a current PHRF certificate or provisional rating from South Texas PHRF (MORF) or has applied to the CCYC Race Chairman for a temporary rating. The CCYC Race Chair may assign a temporary rating to any yacht for the purpose of this regatta and such decision on a yacht's rating is final.
- 1.4. The regatta will consist of up to (3) three races starting and finishing in the Corpus Christi Marina at the CC MORF Wednesday night start line. (1) One race will constitute a regatta.
- 1.5. All participating skippers will be allowed a guest pass at CCYC for the day if they would like to partake in the festivities there. (Credit Card required for all charges)

2. RULES

- 2.1. The regatta will be governed by the 2017-2020 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the associated prescriptions of the U.S. Sailing Association, this Notice, and the official Sailing Instructions for the regatta.
- 2.2. Where there is any conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall control.
- 2.3. One-Design Class specified crew limits will not apply. We will instead use modified Wednesday night "LOA Rules" as taken from the PHRF Handbook as detailed below.

Yacht LOA (feet)

Up to 22.5 feet
22.51 to 25.5 feet
25.52 to 28.5 feet
28.51 to 31.5 feet
31.51 to 34.5 feet
34.51 to 37.5 feet
37.51 to 40.5 feet
40.51 to 46.5 feet

Maximum # Crew

5 crew
6 crew
7 crew
8 crew
9 crew
10 crew
11 crew
13 crew

46.51 to 52.5 feet
52.51 and up feet

15 crew
17 crew

Under many classes this is allowed under rule 87. By entering your boat, you are agreeing to this change. All boats have been given appropriate notice of this change. This change is made to encourage participation and because this regatta coincides with a Wednesday night race.

- 2.4. The race scheduled for 1800 coincides with the normal Wednesday night race. Boats may participate in the Wednesday night race without participating in the rest of the regatta. If a boat participates in the Wednesday night race (aka the start sequence at 1800), but does not pay for/enter the regatta, they shall not be scored for the purposes of the regatta. Boats entered in the regatta will still be scored for the Wednesday night race (series) results. In other words, if someone shows up to sail at the normal Wednesday night time, they can sail and that will count towards all things Wednesday night, but their score will be excluded from this regatta.
- 2.5. All participants are requested to have an American flag on display on their boat. Special consideration may be made for “creative interpretation” of this request.

3. REGISTRATION

- 3.1. Entry forms are at the front desk at the Corpus Christi Yacht Club
- 3.2. Boats can also register at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17183>
- 3.3. Registration Fee: \$30.00
- 3.4. All registration fees and entry forms are due by 12:00 pm on Wednesday, July 4, 2018.

4. REGATTA SCHEDULE:

- 4.1. The Skipper's Meeting will be held at 1:30 pm on Wednesday July 4 on the Corpus Christi Yacht Upper Deck.
- 4.2. The race schedule will be as follows:
Wednesday, July 4, 2018
13:30-Skippers Meeting
15:00-First Gun-Race 1
Immediately following Race 1(approx. 16:30)-Race 2
18:00-Race 3
- 4.3. The trophy presentation will not follow racing. After racing all boats are encouraged to stay in the marina area and enjoy the festivities. Awards will be presented at the July 17th City Council Meeting. Honorees will be notified to attend.

5. CLASSIFICATION

- 5.1. Possible classes include: All Sails / 150 Class. Classes will be divided by the Race Chair based on PHRF ratings. Race Chair may combine or eliminate fleets based on participation and at his discretion.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1. Sailing instructions will be available at the skippers meeting and will be posted on Regatta Network (<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/17183>) no later than 1200 Wednesday, July 4th.
- 6.2. The bay chart with Corpus Christi Bay marks can be found online at:
<https://ccmorf.org/cc-bay-race-marks/>

7. RACES:

- 7.1. The course(s) for the race will use permanent CC Bay marks and possibly 1 or more dropped marks (tetrahedrons). The locations of any tetrahedrons will be given at the skippers meeting. The course for each class will be posted on the white board at the start line. The start and finish for the race(s) will be the Wednesday Night Start/Finish Line.
- 7.2. We are planning to run up to 3 races (weather permitting). 1 race will constitute a regatta.
- 7.3. Races 1 and 2 we will be looking for a target of 1 hour for the slowest boat to run the course. As such, depending on conditions, normal Wednesday night courses may be too long. Race committee reserves the right to get “creative” in the course design. As noted above, we may place temporary marks (tetrahedrons) in the bay or in the marina. We will strive for fair courses as always and as windward/leeward (for spinnaker boats) as possible given the confines of a marina start but make no promises.
- 7.4. It is our intent to finish racing around 1900 so that competitors have time to have dinner before the Fireworks begin. All participating skippers will be allowed a guest pass at CCYC for the day if they would like to partake in the festivities there.

8. SCORING

- 8.1. The scoring system will be the Low Point System.
- 8.2. No races will be excluded.
- 8.3. 1 races will constitute a regatta
- 8.4. This is a standalone regatta and does not count towards MORF Cup, MORF Competition Cup, or CCYC Commodore’s Cup.

9. LIABILITY

- 9.1. Registering for and entering the Regatta shall in no way hold Corpus Christi Yacht Club, its officers, committee persons, and/or any sponsoring group liable for injury to participants, crew, or yachts.

10. AWARDS

- 10.1. The trophy presentation for the Independence Day Regatta will be held on July 17th in

the City Council chambers. Time to be determined. Honorees will be notified to attend. We'll likely also announce the winners at the social on July 11th (the first Wednesday Pursuit and Social will be moved to July 11th to accommodate the holiday and this regatta).

11. PARKING AND MARINA ACCESS (from the Marina)

- 11.1. For all tenants that plan to be aboard their vessel during the July 4th festivities, please stop by the Marina office, during business hours, to pick up a Marina Access Permit. This permit should be placed on your dashboard so that CCPD can allow access to the T-head/L-head in the event the Marina has reached capacity. Please note this permit will not give you permission to park in the Marina if parking has reached its capacity, however it will allow you to drop off persons and/or belongings to their boat-so please plan accordingly.

12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 12.1. Contact Information for Race Committee
 - Chairman: Josh Richline
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