

**Notice of Race**  
**International J/22 Class Association**  
**Midwinter Championship Regatta**  
**Southern Yacht Club**  
**New Orleans, Louisiana**  
**March 11-14, 2010**

**Invitation:**

On behalf of the International J/22 Class Association and J/22 Fleet 46, Southern Yacht Club is pleased to invite all sailors to the 2010 Midwinters.

**Rules:**

The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the IJ22CA rules, this Notice of Race (except as any of these are changed by the sailing instructions), and the sailing instructions.

**Advertising:** The regatta is designated as Category C in accordance with RRS Appendix I and the additional restrictions to competitor advertising of IJ22CA rule 2.9.8(a). All yachts may be required to display a sticker with the trademark of the event sponsor on the forward 25% of each side of the hull for the duration of the event. Such stickers will be provided by the organizing committee.

**Sailing Instructions:** Available at registration.

**Registration and Entry:** \$165.00 for USSA Members, \$170.00 for Non-USSA Members. \$25 late fee for registrations received after March 1<sup>st</sup>. Class Dues for 2010 payable at registration. All skippers must be members of the J/22 Class Association and shall meet all requirements of registration before becoming official competitors. On-line registration is encouraged. See [www.j22mw.com](http://www.j22mw.com) for registration details.

**Schedule of Events:**

Thursday March 11:

Registration and Launching..... 1000-1900  
Practice Race .....1500  
Competitor's Meeting and Welcoming Reception..... 1900

All boats must be launched by 2200 hours.

Friday March 12:

Race One .....*Warning signal 0925.*

Races continue back-to-back. Lunch on the water.

*Friday night party 1900*

Saturday March 13:

Warning Signal .....0925

Racing continues back-to-back with lunch on the water

*Saturday night party 1900*

Sunday March 14:

Warning signal: 0925. No races will be started after 1230 hours.

**Scoring:**

The low point system of Appendix A2 will apply, modified such that each boat 's worst score will be discarded only if six (6) or more races are completed. Up to nine (9) races are scheduled, of which two races shall be completed to constitute a series.

**Crew**

Any substitution to the crew list submitted during registration requires prior written permission of the Race Committee. Substitution will be allowed only in exceptional circumstances. The number of crew shall not change during the regatta.

**Measurements**

Each yacht shall submit a valid measurement certificate registered with the IJ22CA before becoming an official competitor. Pre-certification before arriving at the regatta is strongly encouraged. Boats and Owners not obtaining pre-certification must make arrangements prior to the regatta. All competitors will be required to weigh in at registration. Yachts may be inspected or measured at the regatta at the discretion of the Race Committee.

**Regatta Site, Racing Area, and Courses**

The regatta site will be Southern Yacht Club, New Orleans, LA. The racing area will be located on Lake Pontchartrain, approximately two miles NNE of the SYC clubhouse. The courses will be windward-leeward, triangle, or a variation thereof. Offset marks and gates will be used as necessary.

**Support Boats**

Competitors may not have any contact or communication with support boats after reaching the starting area for the first race of the day until after they are finished racing for the day.

**Haul-out Restrictions**

Except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race Committee the following restrictions apply: All boats shall be afloat before 2200 hours on Thursday March 11, 2010, and shall not be hauled out during the regatta. Rudders shall remain affixed.

**Disclaimer of Liability and Safety**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. The Organizing Authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with this regatta. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Competitors are encouraged to have a VHF radio on board.

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