



J/105 North American Sailing Championships
Lakewood Yacht Club
Seabrook, Texas
October 25-29, 2017

Hosted by Lakewood Yacht Club

Organizing Authority: Bay Access and J/105 Class Association

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in **The Racing Rules of Sailing** (RRS) and the U.S. J/105 Class Association Rules (CR).
- 1.2. The regatta is designated by the J/105 Executive Committee as an International Class Event and is categorized as Level A in accordance with CR 3.6.
- 1.3. RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 20 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored points equal to the last finisher plus 2 without a hearing.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix T will apply.
- 1.5. RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time on the last day of racing for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be re-opened.
- 1.6. The Sailing Instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.7. The Equipment Rules of Sailing will apply except for Section B of the ERS.
- 1.8. The Protest Committee may impose suitable penalties, other than disqualification, for violations of Class rules other than CR 7.2, 7.5, 7.6, or 7.9, or other non-part 2 rules of the RRS, this changes RRS 64.1(a). CR 7.7 shall apply as modified by NOR Section 12.2.
- 1.9. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Subject to WS (World Sailing) Regulation 20, Advertising Code, boats may be required to display advertising supplied by the OA. If this rule is broken, WS regulation 20.9 applies

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the J/105 Class that conform to the Class Rules.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the Entry Form and submitting the required documentation via the event registration website and paying the required fees. Regular entry closes at 2300 hours on Friday, October 6, 2017.

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=14182

- 3.3. Entries will not be accepted after 1800 on October 20, 2017.



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- 3.4. Each entry will complete the crew list with each current WS Sailor's Classification and member number prior to 1800 October 25, 2017.
- 3.5. Documentation required during registration
- A copy of the boat's weight certificate
 - The list of sails and tag numbers that will be used in the regatta
 - The crew list in the regatta entered via Regatta Network (www.J105nac.com)
 - Proof of Insurance required in Paragraph 21 below.
- 3.6. Boat Inspections will be made by appointment and a schedule will be posted with contact information on the regatta website, www.j105nac.com .

4. CLASSIFICATIONS

- 4.1. The WS Regulation 22, Sailor Classification Code, will apply. See <https://members.sailing.org/classification>

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$750 for entries received by 2300 on Oct. 6, 2017.
- 5.2. Entries received after 2300 on Oct. 6, 2017 will be assessed an additional late entry fee of \$100.
- 5.3. Entries that do not submit all the required documentation set forth in Section 3 prior to 1800 on October 20, 2017 will be assessed a late processing charge of \$100.
- 5.4. The entry fee includes entry to all social events, including the official Dinner, for the Owner/Charterer and registered crew members. Additional tickets for the Dinner will be available for purchase at registration.

6. SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Event	Time
Wed	Oct 25	Registration/check-in (LYC Club House)	1200-1700
		Competitors Meeting (LYC Ballroom)	1800
		All boats afloat	1800
Thurs	Oct 26	Registration/check-in (LYC Club House)	0800-0930
		Competitors Briefing	0900
		First Warning Signal	1100
Fri	Oct 27	Competitors Briefing	0900
		First Warning Signal	1100
Sat	Oct 28	Competitors Briefing	0900
		First Warning Signal	1100
Sun	Oct 29	Competitors Briefing	0900
		First Warning Signal	1100



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- 6.1. A total of eleven races are scheduled to be sailed.
- 6.2. A schedule of social activities will be available on the regatta website, www.J105nac.com.

7. FLEET 1 Sail Tag Exemption

- 7.1. San Francisco Fleet 1 boats will be able to use the NAC sail tag exemption for up to three AP sails modifying CR 6.1. Sails shall conform to all class rules but with NAC 2017 sail tags modifying CR 6.8.
- 7.2. Sails will not count on the boat's sail limitations provided they are only used for racing in the Pre-NA and NA events and must be resold prior to the following calendar year.

8. MEASUREMENTS and INSPECTION

- 8.1. All boats will be inspected to confirm compliance with the class rules prior to the start of racing.
- 8.2. All boats must register for an on-board inspection. Boat inspections will be made by appointment and a schedule will be posted with contact information on the regatta website, www.j105nac.com.
- 8.3. Crew weigh-in will be in the Club House on Wednesday, October 25, 2017 from 0900 to 1100 and 1300 to 1700. Late crew weigh-in will be available from 0800 to 0930 on Thursday, October 26, 2017.
- 8.5. Changes or substitution of sails listed as those intended to be used in the regatta (including sails that are lost, damaged beyond repair or destroyed) may only be made in accordance with the class rules and with the written consent of the race committee.
- 8.6. Additions, changes or substitution of crew may only be made with the written consent of the race committee. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during weigh-in. Changes to the crew lists will be posted on the official notice board located on the clubhouse pool bulletin board.
- 8.7 Bow numbers will be assigned by the race committee and given to each participating boat at Registration/check-in. They shall be affixed to the hull according to the instructions provided.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1. The sailing instructions will be available online at regatta website and at the Club House office before Wednesday, October 25, 2017

10. VENUE

- 10.1. The racing area will be on Galveston Bay as noted in Attachment A.

11. THE COURSES

- 11.1. The courses to be sailed will be windward - leeward. The race committee may utilize a weather offset mark and leeward gate marks.



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12. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 12.1. The first two sentences of RRS 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while *racing*. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the *zone* around a *mark* other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty. A boat that has done penalty turns shall complete an acknowledgement form at the Protest Committee desk within the protest time limit.
- 12.2. Alternatively, a boat may accept a Scoring Penalty as described in RRS 44.3. The Scoring Penalty shall be 20% of the boats entered unless the incident occurs within the *zone* of any *mark*, in which case the Scoring Penalty shall be 30% of the boats entered. This changes RRS 44.3 and T1. RRS 44.1 (a) and (b) will apply.

13. SCORING

- 13.1. When fewer than 7 races been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her scores.
- 13.2. When 7 or more races have been completed, a boat series score will be the total of her scores excluding her worst score.
- 13.3. Eleven races are scheduled.
- 13.4. Three completed races are required to constitute the series.

14. Docking

- 14.1. Boats shall be moored at the Lakewood Yacht Club throughout the regatta as directed by RC or OA.
- 14.2. Docking will be available from October 20 until October 30 at no charge.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 15.1. Except in an emergency, boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee, after consultation with the class measurer or his designee.
- 15.2. All boats shall be in the water by 1800 on October 25, 2017 and shall remain in the water through the end of the regatta, subject to the provisions of 15.1.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 16.1. Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make or receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.
- 16.2. The race committee intends to use VHF Channel 72 to broadcast courtesy information to competitors.



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17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded to the skipper of the series' first through fifth place finishers overall. Daily prizes may also be awarded. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

By registering for this event, the owner and person-in-charge of the boat agree with the following:

- 1) My crew and I recognize that sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury associated with it. We have read rule 4, Decision to Race, and hereby acknowledge and agree that we are participating in this event entirely at our own risk.
- 2) I acknowledge and agree that neither the organizing authority nor the race committee, nor their members will be responsible for:
 - a) Any damage to the entered boat or my other property, or
 - b) Any injury to my crew or me, including death, sustained as a result of our participation in this event.
- 3) I hereby waive any rights I may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors or any other organization or official) with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by my crew or me as a result of our participation in this event, whether on the water or on shore, and hereby release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 4) I have taken all necessary steps to ensure that my crew and I and my entered boat are adequately prepared for all possible contingencies, including carrying and using appropriate safety equipment as may be required by law, racing rules and that a prudent seaman would consider advisable.
- 5) All souls on board have filled out an online waiver at:

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=14183

- 6) A link to the crew waivers is also available on the 2017 J/105 NAC website at www.j105nac.com . A link to the list of all crew who have submitted waivers is also provided.

http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registrant_list.php?regatta_id=14183&custom_report_id=70

The owner and person-in-charge of the boat agree to be bound by all rules that govern this event and will inform all crewmembers of the conditions stated herein for their participation in such racing.



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19. INSURANCE

- 19.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. A copy of insurance company documents establishing such coverage is current through the end of the regatta shall be supplied as part of completing check in.

20. SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1. Support boats shall comply with CR 7.10
20.2. The Sailing Instructions may further limit the activities of support boats.
20.3. Support boats and operators shall register with the OA during check in.
20.4. While on the water support boats shall display prominently the flag supplied by the OA.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 21.1. Regatta information, contact the LYC Regatta Committee: race@lakewoodyachtclub.com
21.2. Hotels and logistical information will be available on the regatta website www.J105nac.com or <http://seabrooktx.gov/index.aspx?nid=110>
21.3. Class Coordinator; John Barnett NA Chairman: j22b@comcast.net
21.4. Lakewood yacht club 281-474-2511 or www.lakewoodyachtclub.com
21.5. Lakewood Harbor Administrator: Lynda Hall, lhall@lakewoodyachtclub.com or 281-474-2511
21.6. J/fest Southwest Oct 21/22, 2017 is open to all J boats weekend before. <http://jfestsouthwest.com/>
21.7. Visit www.bayareahouston.com
21.8. Event PRO: Hank Stuart (USA-IRO)



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ATTACHMENT A

Racing Area and Harbor Location

