



# 2020 HYC James T. Liston Turkey Day Regatta

Saturday, November 21, 2020

The Houston Yacht Club

Shoreacres, Texas

## NOTICE OF RACE

### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2017-2020 edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.
- 1.2 The Sailing Instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the official notice board "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office.
- 1.3 By entering as boat or crew, all participants agree to abide by any COVID-19 related measures of the Race Organizers. All participants must wear masks on the docks and grounds of the Houston Yacht Club, maintain social distance of 6 feet, and avoid group gatherings of more than 10 people. There will be no social activities on the grounds of HYC. The HYC clubhouse will not be open to non-members.

### 2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats.
- 2.2 All classes are welcome.
- 2.3 A minimum of three yachts of the same design will constitute a class.
- 2.4 A class of fewer than the required number of entries will be regarded as having failed to form and may be assigned to another class, or an entry fee refund may be requested.  
Potential classes may be Ensign, Lightning, J/22, J/24, J/105, J/109, Opti, Laser, Pursuit Spin and Pursuit Non-Spin.
- 2.5 Boats may enter at [www.regattanetwork.com](http://www.regattanetwork.com) using the on-line entry form. All registrations must be made on-line. NO WALK IN ENTRIES will be allowed.
- 2.6 Entrants who do not find their desired class listed on the Regatta Network on-line entry form are invited to register as "Generic One-Design". Please contact the race committee ([mbreen@embarqmail.com](mailto:mbreen@embarqmail.com)) to receive a class assignment after the fact.

### 3. FEES

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| 3.1 | Multiple Crew Classes Entry Fee                                 | \$70 |
| 3.2 | Single-Handed Entry Fee   | \$60 |
| 3.3 | Youth Entry Fee   | \$40 |
| 3.4 | Penalty for late registration, after Wed. Nov. 20, 2019 7:00 pm | \$25 |
|     | Youth late entry fee - \$10.00                                  |      |
| 3.5 | US SAILING members Discount                                     | \$5  |

### 4. SCHEDULE

- 4.1 **Friday, 20 November 2020:**
  - No formal on-site registration check-in. All registration will be done online.
- 4.2 **Saturday, 21 November 2020:**
  - 9:30 a.m. Competitors' Briefing at Beachcomber.
  - 11:00 a.m. Warning signal for Race 1 and Preparatory/Warning Signal for the Pursuit Line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes. The Pursuit Line may have two races weather permitting.
  - Saturday Afternoon: After the race party featuring "Grog" and Thanksgiving Day Turkey and Trimming Bites.
  - Awards ceremony approximately 2 hours after the last Race Committee Boat enters the harbor. In the event of a protest, the class(es) of the protesting party(ies) may receive awards after the protest hearing. Results for the fleet may not wait for the protest results.

## **5. MEASUREMENTS**

- 5.1 Yachts racing PHRF must have a 2020 PHRF rating certificate. Yachts racing One Design will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

## **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 6.1 Sailing Instructions will be available online at the event website at Regatta Network. It is the competitor's obligation to download and print the Sailing Instructions. Printed Sailing Instructions will not be available at the Competitors' Briefing.
- 6.2 The Sailing Instructions will also be posted on the official notice board "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office.
- 6.3 All notices to competitors will be posted at the event website on Regatta Network.

## **7. VENUE**

- 7.1 All races will be sailed in the vicinity of the Houston Yacht Club in that part of Galveston Bay bounded by Morgan's Point on the North, the Bayport Ship Channel on the south, the Houston Ship Channel on the East, and the La Porte/Shoreacres shoreline.

## **8. THE COURSES**

- 8.1 All fleets will race around designated marks.

## **9. SCORING**

- 9.1 A single race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply.

## **10. BERTHING**

- 10.1 Racers are encouraged to leave their boats at HYC for the week before and week after the regatta at no charge. However, upon arrival all boat owners must complete a registration form available at the front desk and include an emergency contact number.

## **11. PRIZES**

- 11.1 Trophies are ...turkeys; the number will be based on the number of registrants per class at the end of regular entry deadline.
- 11.2 The perpetual James T. Liston Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the top scoring boat in a One Design keelboat class with the largest number of boats racing.

## **12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

- 12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

## **13. FURTHER INFORMATION**

- 13.1 For further information please contact the event chair at [mbreen@embargmail.com](mailto:mbreen@embargmail.com).

