# Lakewood Yacht Club's 2021 Bay Cup I Notice of Race March 6, 2021

**Organizing Authority: Bay Access** 

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# NOTICE OF RACE

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Racing rule(s) 35, 52 and Appendix A2 will be changed as follows:

Boats in the Classic Canvas Class may use power driven winches. This modifies RRS 52.

The time limit for boats to finish is 1630. If any boat in a class finishes within the time limit, other boats in that class that start but do not finish within the time limit will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) equal to the number of finishing boats plus 2. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5. Failure to meet the time limit will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

No score will be excluded. This modifies RRS Appendix A2.

The changes will appear in full in the sailing instructions. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.

- 1.3 By entering as boat or crew, all participants agree to abide by any COVID-19 related measures of the Race Organizers.
- 1.4 Competitors are encouraged to observe the latest Texas Department of State Health Services Checklist for Outdoor Sports Participants in effect as of the start of the race.

## 2. ADVERTISING

2.1 Competitor advertising will be restricted as follows: As a courtesy to our valued race sponsors, no advertising may be displayed on Lakewood Yacht Club premises without prior written permission of the Race Committee.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

The regatta is open to all boats with enough entries to form a class. Potential classes include ORC, ORC Double-Handed, PHRF non-Spin, PHRF under 30 feet LOA, Cruising Spinnaker Classic Canvas (using only Dacron sails), Cruising Non-Spin Classic Canvas (same), Multihull and One Design class(es).

- 3.1 International Competitors, whether skippers or crew, are not eligible to participate in the regatta. For purposes of this rule, an International Competitor does not refer to a person's nationality, but instead is defined as a person who has travelled outside the United States in the 14 days before the start of the regatta, or who plans to travel outside the United States in the 14 days after the end of the regatta.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form (available here) and submitting it, together with the required fee, by the registration deadline.
- 3.3 Late entries may be accepted under the following conditions: at the discretion of the Regatta Chair with a required \$100 tax-deductible donation to Bay Access.
- 3.4 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: A minimum of four (4) boats constitutes a class, except that the Race Committee may designate smaller classes at its discretion.

## 4. CLASSIFICATION n/a

### 5. FEES

5.1 Required entry fee is \$75. A \$5 discount is available for US Sailing members. The entry fee is payable by credit card or yacht club reciprocal charge.

### 5.2 Other fees:

- 5.2.1 Boxed lunches may be ordered online during registration for \$10 each. Boxed lunches are not available to late entries.
- 5.2.2 A buffet dinners will be available before the outdoor awards ceremony and may be enjoyed in the outdoor areas. One dinner is included with registration and additional dinners may be purchased for \$22.00 each.

# 6. Does not apply

## 7. SCHEDULE

7.1 Registration deadline: Wednesday, March 3, 2021 2100

7.2 Deadline to sign Crew Waivers: Thursday, March 4, 2021 1700

7.3 Virtual Skippers' Meeting: Friday, March 5, 2021 1930

7.4 Date of racing: Saturday, March 6, 2021

7.5 Number of races: There will be one or two races.

7.6 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is 1030.

7.7 Awards on the LYC club grounds: Saturday, March 6, 2021 1930.

## 8. MEASUREMENTS

- 8.1 Each monohull boat racing in a handicapped fleet must be on the current PHRF-GB valid list or provide a valid 2021 PHRF-GB or ORC certificate, as appropriate; a digital copy of the new certificate should be obtained from the PHRF secretary or ORC and uploaded to the boat's race registration.
- 8.2 Each multihull shall submit a current rating certificate from Texas Offshore Multihull Association.

#### 9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available electronically after 2100 Wednesday, March 3, 2021 by following this link.

## 10. VENUE

10.1 The racing area will be in Galveston Bay.

# 11. THE COURSES

The courses will be set around fixed and dropped marks in Galveston Bay.

- **12. PENALTY SYSTEM –** Does not apply.
- 13. SCORING
- 13.1 Handicap scoring will use ORC Time on Time or PHRF TOT scoring, as appropriate. No scores will be excluded. This modifies RRS Appendix A.
- **14. SUPPORT BOATS** not applicable
- **15. BERTHING** not applicable
- **16. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS** not applicable
- 17. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS not applicable
- **18. RADIO COMMUNICATION -** Information about communication frequencies will be addressed in the Sailing Instructions.
- 19. **PRIZES**
- 19.1. Two trophies will be awarded in classes with four or five boats, three trophies in classes with six to eight boats and four trophies in classes with more than eight boats.
- 19.2 To qualify for a series trophy, a boat must compete in the same class during both the 2021 Bay Cup I and Bay Cup II regattas and must be sailed by the same skipper.
- 20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY Sailing is an activity with inherent risks of damage and injury. Competitors in this event participate entirely at their own risk - see RRS 3, DECISION TO RACE. The Race Organizers (Bay Access, Lakewood Yacht Club, the LYC Race Committee, Protest Committee, Sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury or illness to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law. No boat shall participate in this race unless the skipper and each crew member has submitted a Waiver and Release of Liability prior to the Skippers' Meeting. At the discretion of the Race Committee Chair, crew member waivers may be accepted after the Skippers' Meeting but prior to the race start. Failure to submit a waiver for each crew member will result in the entry being incomplete, and the boat will not be considered to be participating in the event. Skipper Waivers are submitted with the online entry form. Crew Waivers are submitted online at

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\_registration\_form.php?regatta\_id=21 792

A link to the list of all crew members who have submitted waivers is available here and will also be provided on LYC's website. It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to the deadline identified above in 7.2 to verify that the boat has met the entry requirement.

# 21. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.

# 22. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact David Comeaux at 832-993-5933 or davidcomeaux@live.com.