

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Hobie Class Assn of North America, Ocean Springs Yacht Club, Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron & Hobie Fleet 70

Rules: The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). RRS 40.1 shall apply. RRS 44.1 is changed so that the One Turn Penalty replaces the Two Turns Penalty.

Venue: The Ocean Springs Yacht Club (OSYC), located at the north east side of the US Rt. 90 bridge over Biloxi Bay. Racing will be on Biloxi Bay.

Sailing Instructions: SIs will be posted on RegattaNetwork.com by June 1, 2021 and hard copies will be available at registration.

Communications: The official notice board will be located in the breezeway underneath OSYC. An unofficial notice board will be on RegattaNetwork.com. Sailors may bring and use a VHF radio. Its use and restrictions will be described in the SIs.

Eligibility & Entry: The event is open to all IHCA class legal Hobie 16s. All skippers and crews must be 2021 HCA-NA members (IHCA Rule 26).

Registration & Fees: \$375 before May 15, 2021; \$425 thereafter. Register online at RegattaNetwork.com

Qualifying Series and Final Series: If the number of competitors exceeds 64, the Race Committee may have a qualifying and final series. The system used will be described in the SIs.

Schedule: Check-in and boat weighing at the venue: Saturday & Sunday, 6/5-6, 0900-1200 & 1500-1800 hrs and Mon., 6/7 0800-1000 hrs. There will be five days of racing (6/7-11). **The first warning signal will be at 1130 hrs on 6/7.** The Race Committee intends to run 3 to 5 races per day, back to back. There is no maximum number of races.

Measurement: Boats will be weighed at this event. Competitors are responsible for ensuring their equipment is IHCA Class Legal. During the competition, any boat may be subject to inspection.

Risk Statement: Refer to RRS 3. By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.**

Insurance: Each participating boat shall have current third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of not less than \$100,000. Proof of insurance must be presented at registration.

Accommodations: Gulf Hills Hotel and Golf - (866) 875-4211 (for group discount, click here). Check RegattaNetwork.com for the lastest info. Lots of local rentals - AirBnB.com, vrbo.com
Limited primitive RV parking and camping on-site

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