



2021 HOOD Regatta

September 18-19, 2021

Organizing Authority:

The Houston Yacht Club

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NOTICE OF RACE

HYC Open One Design Regatta J/24 Beasley Cup J/22 Heritage Cup Ensign Region IV Championship

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) for 2021-2024, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and all other rules that govern this event. By registering for the Regatta as skipper or crew, each participant agrees to be bound by the RRS, the prescriptions of US Sailing, and all other rules that govern the event.
- 1.2 The J/24 class shall use the Scoring Penalty. See RRS 44.3.
- 1.3 By registering for the Regatta as skipper or crew, all participants agree to abide by any COVID-19 related measures of the Race Organizers and local government.
- 1.4 All skippers and crew are required to complete, accept, and submit the **REGATTA WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY** on Regatta Network prior to the Competitors' Briefing. Registration is incomplete unless all forms and waivers have been completely filled out and submitted.
- 1.5 The Organizing Authority reserves the right to postpone or cancel the Regatta due to changing COVID-19 Pandemic health-related issues.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- 2.1 All one-design classes are welcome.
- 2.2 A minimum of three yachts of the same design shall constitute a class. The Race Committee may start several smaller fleets together.
- 2.3 Potential classes may be Ensign, Lightning, J/22, J/24 J/70, J/80, J/105, J/109, Optimist, Lasers, O'PEN Skiffs, 420s, Sunfish, Etchells, Sonar, Level 70, Level 100, VX One, VX Evo. In addition, any other one-design class with three or more entrants shall constitute a separate class.
- 2.5 To register for this event, Boats/skippers must log onto <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23108> ("Event Website"). Crew members must register at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23109>. NO WALK-IN ENTRIES allowed. There will be no on-site registration.
- 2.6 Skippers who do not find their desired class listed on the Regatta Network on-line entry form are invited to register as "Generic One-Design". If registering as "Generic One-Design", please contact the Race and Regatta Chair, Yolanda Cortes Mares, at ymares@earthlink.net to have the desired class included in the entries.
- 2.7 Skippers who register before 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2021 will receive a free regatta T-shirt in their selected size and one meal ticket for the Regatta banquet.
- 2.8 Additional meal tickets are available for purchase on the Event Website during early registration. As there may not be any meal tickets available for sale at the Regatta, all participants are encouraged to purchase meal tickets on the Event Website.

2.9 Crew members that register before 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2021 can purchase a regatta T-shirt on Regatta Network, for pick-up on Saturday, September 18, 2021 during the on-site Competitor Check-In. There will be T-shirts available for sale at the Regatta.

3. FEES

- 3.1 Multiple Crew Class Entry Fee \$100.00
- 3.2 Double-Handed Class Entry Fee \$80.00
- 3.3 Adult Single-Handed Class Entry Fee \$75.00
- 3.4 Youth Single-Handed Class Entry Fee \$55.00
- 3.5 Late Registration fees added after Wednesday, September 15, 2021, 5:00 p.m.:
 - Adult late registration \$25.00**
 - Youth late registration \$10.00**
- 3.6 US Sailing members receive a \$5.00 discount.
- 3.7 Refunds before 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, will be 90% of entry fee paid. No refunds on and after 5:00 p.m. on September 15, 2021.

SCHEDULE AND EVENTS

Wednesday, September 15, 2021	5:00 p.m.	Early registration deadline.
Friday, September 17, 2021	All Day	Visiting boats may relocate to HYC.
Friday, September 17, 2021	6:00-8:00 p.m.	Competitor check-in and Skipper bag pick-up in HYC Ballroom.
	7:00 p.m.	Competitors' Briefing in HYC Ballroom.
Saturday, September 18, 2021	8:00-9:30 a.m.	Competitor check-in in HYC Ballroom.
	10:00 a.m.	Competitors' Briefing for the Dinghy Line at the Beachcomber.
	11:00 a.m.	Warning Signal for all lines.
	Saturday Afternoon	Post racing Mount Gay social, poolside
	6:00 p.m.	Regatta banquet with live entertainment outdoors, weather permitting
Sunday, September 19, 2021	10:00 a.m.	Warning Signal for all lines. Late registration closes. No warning signal shall be made after 1:00 p.m. Awards presentation in lawn, weather permitting, approximately 1.5 hours after the last Race Committee boat enters the harbor.

5. MEASUREMENTS

5.1 Yachts racing One Design shall comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

6.1 The Sailing Instructions will be made available in the Skipper bags and posted on the official notice board "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC office. As a courtesy, the Sailing Instructions will also be posted on-line on or before 7:00 p.m. on Friday, September 17, 2021 at the Event Website at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23108>.

- 6.2 All notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board "Race Information Board" located in the HYC breezeway adjacent to the main clubhouse lobby. As a courtesy, notices will be sent to competitors by e-mail or text message when information has been posted, and may be posted on-line at the Event Website at <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23108>.
- 7. VENUE**
- 7.1 All races shall be sailed in the vicinity of the Houston Yacht Club and/or 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 LaPorte/Shoreacres shoreline on the west.
- 8. THE COURSES**
- 8.1 There shall be two racing courses: keelboats and dinghies.
- 8.2 All starts shall be in accordance with RRS 26.
- 8.3 Course diagrams for each course shall be published in the sailing instructions and may include windward/leeward and trapezoid courses.
- 9. SCORING**
- 9.1 There are six (6) races scheduled, weather and time permitting. One (1) race constitutes a regatta.
- 9.2 The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A shall apply, except no scores shall be excluded. This changes RRS Appendix A 2.1.
- 10. BERTHING**
- 10.1 Skippers may leave their boats at HYC from August 29, 2021 (last date of HYC's Reggae Regatta) until October 2, 2021 (first date of LYC's J/Fest) at no charge. However, upon arrival at HYC all boat owners must contact the HYC Harbor Manager, Philip Meeker, at 936-581-4581 or 281-471-1255 or at harbormanager@houstonyachtclub.com or on VHF Channel 68, complete a registration form, provide a copy of insurance, and an emergency contact number.
- 10.2 Visiting competitors' boats that are required to remain in the water during the Regatta may dock alongside the visitor pier on a "first come, first served" basis, or shall contact the HYC Harbor Manager for guest slip availability.
- 11. PRIZES**
- 11.1 Regatta Racing Trophies will be awarded based on the number of registrants per class on September 1, 2021. Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 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, death, or illness sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 13. FURTHER INFORMATION**
- 13.1 For further information please contact the Principal Race Officer, Adolph Mares, Jr., at amares@embarqmail.com or the Event Chair, Beth Gibson, at sailingmom25@yahoo.com.