



RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

Notice of Race

2021 Express 27 National Championship

September 24th 25th 26th ,2021

INVITATION: Richmond Yacht Club and Express 27 One Design Association invite you to the Express 27 National Championship.

1 RULES and more rules..

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Express 27 Class Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

1.2. This regatta will be sailed in compliance with the most recent Contra Costa County Covid-19 Health Order and RYC Protocols. Subsequent Health Orders related to Covid-19 may result in revisions to the Sailing Instructions, up to, and including cancellation and refund of registration fees. All competitors are required to abide by the state and local laws ,guide lines and recommendations, as well as host club's restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus. Per the RYC Board of Directors, skippers and crew members will be required to show proof of vaccination (vaccination card or a picture of the vaccination card) when weighing in. Boats with a skipper or crew who is not vaccinated/doesn't show proof of vaccination can still race, but unvaccinated people are asked to stay off the RYC property during the regatta and to weigh in on Thursday prior to the start of the regatta.

1.3 Rule 40 is deleted and replaced by "Competitors are required to wear a PFD while on the water except during brief periods when changing clothing". Code Flag "Y" will not be displayed.

2 Entry and Eligibility

All Express 27s in good standing with Express 27 fleet are eligible for entry. Each sailor must sign a Waiver and Release of Liability. These forms will be available online. **Proof of COVID-19 Vaccination status (fully vaccinated) in order to complete registration will be determined at Thursday September 23rd and 24th crew weigh in. Crew weigh in's will be held at RYC harbormaster's office, Thursday from 1500 to 1900 and Friday am from 0800 to 0930.** Saturday 9/25 and Sunday 9/26 - let Race Chairperson know if you have crew substitutions that need to be weighed and arrangements will be made.

2.1 Skippers are not required to have paid 2021 class dues to participate.

2.2 Eligible boats may enter by registering and completing the online entry form at www.richmondyc.org

2.3 The maximum combined crew weight for each boat shall be no more than 880 pounds. Crew/skipper weigh-ins are required for all participating boats. Weigh ins shall be at the small deck near the RYC harbor master's office on Thursday 9/23 from 3-7pm and Friday 9/24 from 8-9:30. Saturday 9/25 and Sunday 9/26 - let Race Chairperson know if you have crew substitutions that need to be weighed and arrangements will be made.

3 Fees

3.1 The regular entry fee is \$145.00 and is applicable if entry is completed by 1900 hours on Thursday, September 23rd 2021. A late fee of \$50 will apply to registration after Thursday. NOTE.. Registration fee includes two fleet dinners on Saturday and two breakfasts for Saturday and Sunday.

Extra Fleet Dinner and breakfast packages are only \$26 each. Extra dinners are \$18 and breakfasts are \$8.00 ea.

3.2 Registration Closes at 1900 on September 23rd. **Note we really need to order the food by the 19th so even if you can't get it done by the 19th please let us know about dinners and breakfasts**

4 Schedule for racing events

Friday September 24th

4.1 **Competitors meeting at RYC lower deck at 0930**

4.2 First warning at 1155 and going to try for one buoy race and the long distance race.

Saturday, September 25th

4.3 1155 First Warning and going to try for three buoy races.

There will be a class dinner on Saturday at RYC.

Sunday, September 26th

4.4 10:55 First Warning and going to try for two buoy races.

Prize giving and awards will given on upper deck at RYC as soon as possible after race committee returns to dock.

5 Sailing Instructions:

5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available online at www.regattanetwork.com by 1500 hours on Thursday, September 23rd.

6 Venue

Racing will be around inflatable buoys and fixed buoys in the vicinity of the Olympic Circle ("FOG state park") on San Francisco Bay.

A distance race will be included and take place inside the bay and maybe using fixed YRA marks, inflatable buoys and even an island.

7 Information

Parking: Trailer parking will be available in the RYC parking lot please contact the Harbor Master at 510-234-6959 for instructions on where to park your trailers and berths for your boats.

7.1 **Launching, Mooring and Haul outs:** One hoist capable of lifting an Express 27 is available closest to club house). All yachts must remain in the water during the regatta. Yachts requiring haul out due to damage must receive approval from the Principal Race Officer (PRO) or Jury.

8 For additional information, please contact

Regatta Chair (On Land Stuff): Lori Tesksbury, Richmond Yacht Club
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