Notice of Race Mercury Homecoming Regatta September 18th 2021 Richmond YC



1. Rules

- 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 checking 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 .
 - The regatta will be governed by the current rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the Mercury Class Yacht Racing Association rules.
 1.2. RRS 44.1 is replaced with appendix V1.
 - 2. RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with "Competitors shall wear Coast
 - 3. Guard approved PFDs while racing." Flag Y will not be displayed.
 - 4. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third- party liability insurance

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 1. The Regatta is open to all Mercury Class sailboats, and whose owner or skipper is a member of the Class Association. All Boats should have been weighed by a Certified Class Measurer in 2019 and meet class rules.
- 2. Eligible boats may enter on day of race
- 3. Regatta Fees The entry fee is \$20.00 per boat.

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5. Schedule

- 1. Saturday Sept 18th
- 2. skippers meeting 10:30

2. Skippers will expected to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard and Mercury Class rules.

5. Sailing Instructions

- 1. Sailing instructions will be sent via email and Mercury website as well as during the skippers meeting on the day of the race.
- 2. *Courses, starting times and number of races to be sailed, are subject to change at the discretion of the PRO and fleet representative, taking into account course conditions, safety and number of races completed to constitute a regatta.

6. RACE AREA AND COURSES

1. The intended race area is San Francisco Bay to the East of Southampton Shoals or Keller's Cove depending on conditions.

7. Scoring

- 1. A maximum of five (5) races are scheduled.
- 2. Three (3) races must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 3. All races will count toward the final score, no throwouts. This changes A2 of the sailing rules.

8. Radio Communications

1. The Race Committee may use VHF radio to communicate information about time to start and OCS. Channel will be announced in sailing instructions.

9. Trophies

1. Trophies for skipper and crew will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in the Gold Fleet and the top 2 finishers in the Silver Fleet

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: 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. Participating skippers must sign the liability waiver on the entry form.

10. Regatta Contacts

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