



2022 HYC CLUB SERIES

•Spring Series:

March 19, April 16, May 28, 2022

•Summer “Dog Days” Series:

July 2, August 13, September 10, 2022

•Fall Series:

November 5, November 6, 2022

The Houston Yacht Club
Shoreacres, Texas

Notice of Race (NoR)

Preamble The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.

1.2 [NP] Competitors and support persons shall comply with any reasonable request from an event official.

1.3 **Pursuit Line Only:** PHRF start times shall apply for all boats racing in the Pursuit Line, except multihulls. The PHRF start times will be available as an Attachment to the Sailing Instructions.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary or amended sailing instructions that will be posted on the official notice board “HYC Race Information” located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office.

2.2 Supplementary sailing instructions will be available on the event website at www.regattanetwork.com on or before 7:00 p.m. on March 18, 2022.

3 COMMUNICATION

3.1 [NP] All boats and support persons are encouraged to carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on Channels 68, 69, or 72.

3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.

3.3 [NP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 This event is open only to Houston Yacht Club members and their families; keel, multihull, one design, and PHRF boats are welcome. At least one Houston Yacht Club member shall be on each boat while racing.
- 4.2 A minimum of two yachts of the same design will constitute a class.
- 4.3 A class of fewer than the required number of entries will be regarded as having failed to form and may be assigned to another class. Potential classes may be Ensign, Lightnings, J/22, J/24, J/105, Melges 24, PHRF Spin W/L, PHRF Non-Spin W/L, Pursuit Spin, Pursuit Non-Spin, and Multihulls.
- 4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online at the event website at www.regattanetwork.com using the online entry form. All registrations must be made online. There will be no onsite registration.
- 4.5 Entrants who do not find their desired class listed on the www.regattanetwork.com on-line entry form at the event website are invited to register as "Generic One Design". Please contact the Race & Regatta Committee Chair (ymares@earthlink.net) to receive a class assignment after registration.
- 4.6 To be considered an entry in the event for each series, a boat shall complete all registration requirements on or before 7:00 p.m. on the day before each Series race.

5 FEES

- 5.1 There are no entry fees. This is a free event.

6 SCHEDULE

6.1 Friday, March 18, 2022:

- **7:00 p.m.** Competitor's Briefing at the HYC Clubhouse and by Zoom

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83881161363>

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6.1.1 Saturday, March 19, 2022:

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

6.1.2 Saturday, April 16, 2022:

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

6.1.3 Saturday, May 28, 2022:

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.
- **After racing:** Awards presentation for the Spring Series at the HYC Clubhouse approximately two hours after the Race Committee boat enters the harbor.

6.2 Friday, July 1, 2022:

- **7:00 p.m.** Competitor's Briefing at the HYC Clubhouse and by Zoom

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6.2.1 **Saturday, July 2, 2022:**

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

6.2.2 **Saturday, August 13, 2022:**

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

6.2.3 **Saturday, September 10, 2022:**

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.
- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.
- **After racing:** Awards presentation for the Summer Series at the HYC Clubhouse approximately two hours after the Race Committee boat enters the harbor.

6.3 **Friday, November 4, 2022:**

- **7:00 p.m.** Competitor's Briefing at the HYC Clubhouse and by Zoom

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6.3.1 **Saturday, November 5, 2022:**

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.

- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

6.3.2

Saturday, November 6, 2022:

- **1:00 p.m.:** PHRF Scratch Start time for the Pursuit Line; first warning signal for multihulls on Pursuit Line.

- **2:00 p.m.:** First warning signal for the Windward/Leeward line. Up to three races are planned for the one-design classes on the Windward/Leeward Line. No race will be started after 4:00 p.m.

- **After racing:** Awards presentation for the Fall Series at the HYC Clubhouse approximately two hours after the Race Committee boat enters the harbor. Additional awards may be awarded for the 2022 HYC Club Series.

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EQUIPMENT INSPECTION / MEASUREMENTS

7.1

[NP] There will be no club handicaps assigned by the Race Committee. Yachts racing PHRF must have a 2022 PHRF Rating Certificate from Performance Handicap Racing Fleet of Galveston Bay (PHRFGB). Yachts racing One Design will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

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VENUE

8.1

All races will be sailed in the vicinity of the Houston Yacht Club in that part of Galveston Bay bounded by Morgan's Point on the North, the Bayport Shipping Channel to the South, the Houston Ship Channel on the East, and the La Porte/Shoreacres shoreline.

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COURSES

9.1

One Design classes will race around dropped marks; Pursuit and One Design classes will race around fixed and dropped marks.

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SCORING

10.1

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

10.2

Pursuit Line: A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

10.3

Windward/Leeward Line: When four or fewer than four races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. When ten races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores. When fifteen races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her three worst scores.

10.4

The Low Point Scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply, except as modified by 10.3 above.

11 BERTHING

- 11.1** For slip availability and berthing requirements, contact Phillip Meeker, HYC Harbor Manager (harbormanager@houstonyachtclub.com), on VHF Channel 68 or at (281) 471-1255.

12 RISK STATEMENT

- 12.1** RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor and boat owner 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.** All competitors in the crew and the boat's owner participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk; by registering in this event, the person in charge of each boat acknowledges that all competitors in the crew are aware of this Risk Statement, accept RRS 4, and waive liability. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for any property damage or personal injury, COVID-19, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

- 12.2** Crew waivers are required.

13 INSURANCE

- 13.1** [NP] Each participating boat shall be insured with levels of coverage to compensate the Houston Yacht Club, event volunteers, and others for any property damage, personal injury, or death in the event of an accident.

14 PRIZES

- 14.1** Trophies will be awarded on the last day of racing after each series (Spring, Summer, Fall) based on the number of registrants per class one week before the end of each series.

15 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact the HYC Race and Regatta Chair Yolanda Cortes Mares at ymares@earthlink.net or the HYC Fleet Captain, Madonna Breen, at mbreen77346@gmail.com.