



## RICHMOND YACHT CLUB

# 2022 Express 27 Nationals

May 20 - 22, 2022

## Notice of Race (NOR)

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 All participants in this regatta are required to follow all relevant state, county, and yacht club Covid safety requirements in effect at the time of the race. Contra Costa Covid mandates can be found at <https://www.coronavirus.cchealth.org/>. Richmond Yacht Club Covid guidelines can be found at <https://www.richmondyc.org/Default.aspx?p=dynamicmodule&pageid=103&ssid=100110&vnf=1>.
- 1.3 The regatta will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing, the Express 27 Class Rules, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 RRS 40 is changed as follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices that are USCG or ISO approved. The "Y" flag will not be displayed.

### 2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Skippers are required to have paid 2022 class dues to participate. Each sailor must sign a Waiver and Release of Liability. These forms will be available online. Crew weigh-ins will be held at RYC harbormaster's office, Thursday from 1500 to 1900 and Friday morning from 0800 to 0930. Saturday 9/21 and Sunday 9/22. Let the Race Chairperson know if you have crew substitutions that need to be weighed and arrangements will be made.
- 2.2 **Skippers are required to have paid 2021 class dues to participate.**
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration found at: <https://www.richmondyc.org/default.aspx?p=v35EvtView&type=0&ID=200835>
- 2.4 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 9/19 from 3-7pm, Friday 9/20 from 8-9:30, Saturday 9/21 and Sunday 9/22. Please inform the Race Chairperson if you have crew substitutions that need to be weighed and arrangements will be made.

### 3 ENTRY FEE

- 3.1 The regular entry fee is \$200.00 and is applicable if entry is completed by 1900 hours on Monday, May 16th. A late fee of \$50 will apply to registration after Monday. Registration fee includes two fleet dinners on Saturday. Extra dinners may be purchased for \$30.00 each.
- 3.2 Food orders are needed by May 17<sup>th</sup>.

### 4 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Sailing instructions will be available after 3:00 pm on Thursday, May 19 at the Richmond Yacht Club, and on our web page, <https://www.richmondyc.org/default.aspx?p=v35EvtView&type=0&ID=200835>.

## 5 COMMUNICATION

- 5.1 The Race Committee may use the VHF radio channel 69 to communicate information about time to start and OCS.
- 5.2 Participating boats shall notify the Race Committee if they are dropping out of the race or will be unable to finish the race within the stated time limit found in the Sailing Instructions.

## 6 SCHEDULE

6.1

Date	Time
5/20/20 - Skippers Meeting	RYC lower deck 0930
5/20/20 - Race 1	First Warning 1155
5/20/20 - Race 2 - Long Distance Race	Immediately Following Race 1
5/21/21 - Race 3	First Warning 1155
5/21/21 - Race 4	Immediately Following Race 3
5/21/21 - Race 5	Immediately Following Race 4
5/22/22 - Race 6	First Warning 1155
5/22/22 - Race 7	Immediately Following Race 6
5/22/22 - Awards Presentation	RYC Upper Deck ASAP After Last Race

## 7 COURSES

- 7.1 Racing will be around inflatable buoys and fixed buoys in the vicinity of the Olympic Circle on San Francisco Bay.
- 7.2 A distance race will be included and will be sailed inside the bay and will use fixed YRA marks, inflatable buoys, and may include some of the Bay islands.

## 8 SCORING

- 8.2. All races will count toward the final score. There will be no throw outs. This changes RRS A2.

## 9 PRIZES

- 9.1 The trophy presentation will be held on the RYC on the upper deck after the last race on Sunday May 22nd.

## 10 RISK STATEMENT

- 10.1 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 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.
- 10.2 The skipper of the boat is solely responsible to comply with State and County Health orders with regard to the health and safety of his/her crew and releases the Richmond Yacht Club of any liability in case new infections occur by racing the boat and COVID-19 tracing of crew members becomes necessary.

## 11 INSURANCE

- 11.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance.

## 12 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY

12.1 The organizing authority is the Richmond Yacht Club, located at Point Richmond, California.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### Parking

Parking in the RYC lot will be restricted during the regatta. Parking at the club is limited to the area in front of the Clubhouse. Only one car from each participating yacht may park here, on a first come / first served basis, until full.

Participants are invited to use RYC guest dock facilities for the duration of the regatta. If you wish to extend your stay to the day before and/or the day after, you must coordinate with the harbormaster, who can be reached at 510-234-6959.

There may be limited RV parking - check with the harbor master for space/details/permission.

### Dinner

Extra Fleet Dinner are only \$30.00 each.

### Further Race Info

The race PRO is Fred Paxton. Contact Fred Paxton at: [f.paxton@comcast.net](mailto:f.paxton@comcast.net).

Race Chairperson is Lori Tewksbury. Contact Lori at: [mstewks@yahoo.com](mailto:mstewks@yahoo.com); 510-205-6889

RYC Harbor Master is Danny Harris. Contact Danny at [harbormaster@richmondyc.org](mailto:harbormaster@richmondyc.org); 510-234-6959