



2023 Thunderbird International Championships

Port Townsend Sailing Association
August 30 - September 3, 2023
Port Townsend, Washington, USA

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2. The following *US Sailing* prescriptions do not apply: Rule 63.1 and Rule 63.2.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. The Sailing Instructions will be available after August 15, 2023 at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25639>

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The online official notice board is located at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25639>.
- 3.2. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF channel 68.
- 3.3. [DP] 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 & ENTRY

- 4.1. The event is open to all boats of the International Thunderbird Class that are entered by a current member of the ITCA.
- 4.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, online at: <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25639>.
- 4.3. Each boat shall complete their entry during check-in at the venue. Entries are not complete until each boat has submitted the Weight Certificate of NoR Addendum B & Sail Inventory List of NoR Addendum A, both signed by their respective skipper or owner.
- 4.4. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.5. Entries will not be accepted after 1100 on August 30, 2023.

5. FEES

- 5.1. The entry fee is \$250 (US Funds) for entries received with payment prior to June 30, 2023.
- 5.2. The entry fee is \$300 (US Funds) for entries received between July 1 and August 26, 2023.
- 5.3. The entry fee is \$350 (US Funds) for entries received on or after August 26, 2023.
- 5.4. The entry fees DO NOT include moorage during the regatta or Regatta Banquet admission. Dinner tickets may be purchased separately via Regatta Network.

6. SCHEDULE**6.1. Program & Schedule**

Tuesday , August 29	All Day 1300 - 1700	Boats arrive—Boat Haven Marina Check-in & Sail Measuring - PTSA Clubhouse
Wednesday, August 30	1000 – 1200 1330 1600 ASAP After Racing	Check-in & Sail Measuring—PTSA Clubhouse First Warning for Practice Race No Warning Signal After This Time Gathering at the PTSA Clubhouse
Thursday, August 31	1000 1200 1700 ASAP After Racing	Competitor Meeting—PTSA Clubhouse First Warning Signal No Warning Signal After This Time Gathering at the PTSA Clubhouse
Friday, September 1	1000 1700 ASAP After Racing	First Warning Signal No Warning Signal After This Time Gathering at the PTSA Clubhouse
Saturday, September 2	1000 1600 ASAP After Racing	First Warning Signal No Warning Signal After This Time Regatta Banquet—PTSA Clubhouse
Sunday, September 3	1100 1500 ASAP After Racing	First Warning Signal No Warning Signal After This Time Award Presentation—PTSA Clubhouse

NOTE: This schedule is subject to change.

6.2. The goal will be to run at least twelve (12) races for the regatta.

7. MEASUREMENT AND INSPECTION

- 7.1. [DP] Boats shall comply with RRS 78.1 at registration and for the duration of the event.
- 7.2. [DP] Skippers are responsible for ensuring that their boats meets the weight requirements specified in the class rules. The possibility of weighing boat in Port Townsend prior to the event is being investigated.
- 7.3. All sails shall be dry for inspection and stamped by the technical committee with the representative signature regardless of previous event stamps or signatures.
- 7.4. Boats may be inspected by the Technical Committee at any time during the event.

8. VENUE

- 8.1. NoR Addendum C shows the plan of the event venue adjacent to the Boat Haven Marina.
- 8.2. NoR Addendum D shows the location of the racing area.

9. COURSES

- 9.1. The courses will be around buoys set by the race committee as described in the Sailing Instructions.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. The following *US Sailing* prescriptions will apply: Appendix T & Appendix V.
- 10.2. Rule 44.1 is changed by Rule V1.
- 10.3. Rule T1(c) and Rule V2(c) are changed as follows: A boat takes a Post-Race Penalty by verbally notifying the chief judge that she accepts the penalty and identifies the race number and where and when the incident occurred.

11. SCORING

- 11.1. Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.2. Discarded Scores:

- 11.2.1. When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores (no discarded scores).
- 11.2.2. When between 6 and 11 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her one worst score (one discarded score).
- 11.2.3. When 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two worst scores (two discarded scores).

12. [DP] BERTHING

- 12.1. Moorage fees are not included in the registration fee and are separate from event registration.
- 12.2. Moorage will be available for registered boats from Tuesday August 31, 2023 until Monday September 6, 2023 at the **Boat Haven Marina**. It is assumed that all boats will leave the marina no later than Monday.
- 12.3. Boats arriving earlier or leaving later must make additional moorage arrangements with the Port of Port Townsend. For moorage on other dates or for non-racing boats, please contact the Port of Port Townsend at www.portoftpt.com.

13. [DP] HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 13.1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the event without the prior written permission of the technical committee.

14. [DP] DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 14.1. Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent, shall not be used around boats from the preparatory signal for the first race to the end of the event.
- 14.2. Boats shall not be cleaned below the waterline by any means from the preparatory signal for the first race to the end of the event.

15. RISK STATEMENT & PERSONAL CONDUCT

- 15.1. Rule 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.**
- 15.2. Competitors will accept full responsibility for their actions during any activity related to this event. This includes on-shore activities before, during, and after the regatta.

16. INSURANCE

- 16.1. [DP] Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

17. PRIZES

- 17.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top five (5) boats overall.
- 17.2. The top boat overall will be awarded the Thunderbird International Perpetual Trophy.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 18.1. Additional useful information regarding accommodations, travel, and area recreation is available online at www.enjoypt.com and www.ptguide.com.
- 18.2. A limited number of loaner boats will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Competitors are urged to make loaner boat requests early.
- 18.3. For more information, please contact Regatta Secretary Jim Heumann (jheumann@yahoo.com, 360 531-3569).

Addendum A – Sail Inventory

2023 THUNDERBIRD CLASS INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Boat Name _____ . Sail Number _____

Skipper _____ Fleet _____ - _____

Compliance with Black Book Article 8.4

Date purchased

Main(s)

1. _____

2. _____

Genoa(s)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Spinnaker(s)

1. _____

2. _____

Working Jib(s)

1. _____

2. _____

Skipper _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Addendum B - Weight Certificate

2023 THUNDERBIRD CLASS INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Boat Name _____ . Sail Number _____

Skipper _____ Fleet _____

Each competing Thunderbird must weigh as specified below for International competition.

Bare Boat Weight Specification

- Bare boat weight (minimum 3,650 POUNDS).
- Items that must be included in the above bare boat weight
 - Spars and rigging
 - Floor boards
 - Bunk board
 - Mechanical toilet
 - Permanently installed sink
 - Permanently installed water tank
 - Hatches
 - Other permanently installed items included in Bare Boat Weight per Specification.

Racing Weight Specification:

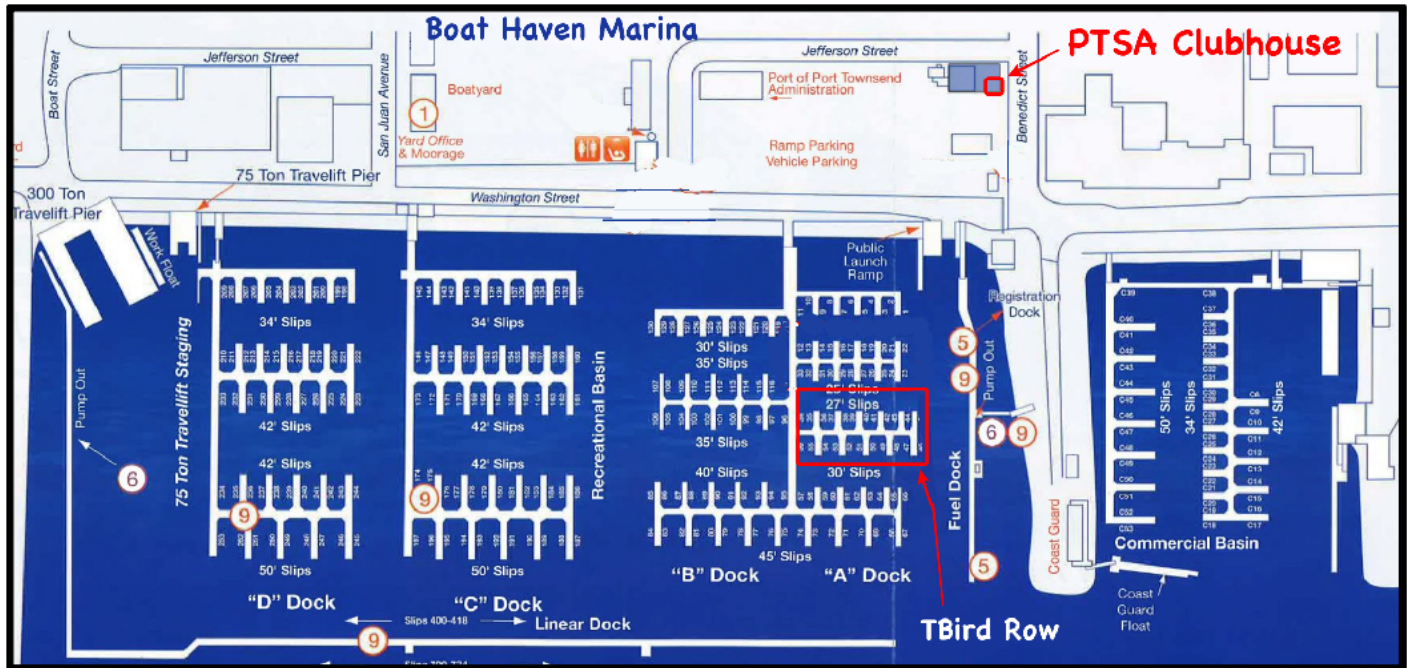
Class racing weight is 4000 pounds (1818.2kg.) minimum with the following required on board when racing:

- A. Engine, weighing 35 lb. (15.91 kg.) (minimum) as defined in manufacturer's specifications for net weight, stored aft of Bulkhead #5.
- B. Three U.S. Gallons (11.4 liters) of engine fuel minimum and a suitable fuel tank.
- C. 30 pounds (13.64 kg.) of ground tackle.
- D. Safety equipment required must comply with the regional Coast Guard (or equivalent agency) requirements and include at least:
 1. Fire extinguisher - 2 lb. (.91 kg.) dry chemical or 4lb.(1.81 kg.)CO₂
 2. Bilge pump.
 3. One buoyant cushion or life preserver for each person aboard.
 4. Hand, mouth or power operated whistle or horn capable of producing a blast of at least 2 seconds duration and audible for a distance of at least ½ mile (.804 km.).
 5. Running lights.

Skipper _____ Date _____

Signature _____

Addendum C – Event Venue



Addendum D – Racing Area

