



Lakewood Yacht Club
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Organizing Authority: Bay Access
Notice of Race (NoR)

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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 RRS A2.1 is changed as follows: No score will be excluded.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available electronically after 2100 on May 17, 2023 by following [this link](#).

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at [this link](#).
- 3.2 [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 13, 16, 22, 68, 69 and 72.

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- 3.3 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channels will be stated in the SIs.
- 3.4 [DP] From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.
- 3.5 As a courtesy, helpful links can also be found at LakewoodYachtClub.com by following tabs for "On the Water" and then "Sailing and Racing."

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of the following classes: ORC Spinnaker, PHRF Non-Spinnaker, Cruising Classic Canvas Spinnaker and Cruising Classic Canvas Non-Spinnaker, J/105, and any one-design class that forms.
- 4.2 ORC entries must have a valid 2023 [ORC](#) rating certificate. PHRF entries must have a valid 2023 rating from [PHRF Galveston Bay](#).
- 4.3 This regatta is eligible for scoring under the J/24 District 14 Series as detailed in the [2023 District 14 Notice of Series](#).
- 4.4 Boats may enter the event by registering online by [following this link](#).
- 4.5 To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.
- 4.6 Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: At the discretion of the Principal Race Officer, with a donation of at least \$100 to Bay Access in addition to the entry fee.
- 4.7 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: A minimum of three boats constitutes a class. See also NOR 16.2.
- 4.8 The skipper and all crew members must submit a Waiver and Release of Liability before the skippers' meeting. At the discretion of the race committee chair, crew member waivers may be accepted after the Skippers' Meeting but before the first Warning Signal. Failure to submit a waiver for each crew member will result in the entry being incomplete, and the boat will not be considered to be participating in the event. Skipper waivers are submitted with the online entry form. Crew waivers are submitted on-line by [following this link](#). A link to the list of all crew members who have submitted waivers will also be provided on LYC's website. It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew

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member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list before the Skipper's Meeting to verify that the boat has met the entry requirement.

5 FEES

5.1 Entry fees are as follows: The entry fee is \$95. US Sailing members are eligible for a discount of \$5. The entry fee includes one dinner ticket per boat.

5.2 Other fees:

5.2.1 Additional dinner tickets will be available for \$20 and box lunches will be available for \$12 each.

6 ADVERTISING

6.1 Competitor advertising will be restricted as follows: As a courtesy to our valued race sponsors, no advertising may be displayed on Lakewood Yacht Club premises without prior written permission of the Principal Race Officer.

6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority [DP].

7 SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Time	Event
Wednesday	17 May	2100	Registration Deadline
Friday	19 May	1800 1930	Check-In Skippers' Meeting
Saturday	20 May	1000 1800	First Warning Party and Dinner on LYC Club Grounds.
Sunday	21 May	1000 1400 1600	First Warning No Warning signal after this time Awards Ceremony

8 EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Each handicap boat shall produce or verify the existence of a valid rating certificate upon request of the Race Committee.

9 VENUE

9.1 The event venue is at Lakewood Yacht Club and Galveston Bay.

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- 9.2 The racing areas will be in Galveston Bay, between the Houston Ship Channel and the shoreline between Eagle Point and Red Bluff.

10 COURSES

- 10.1 The courses are expected to be windward / leeward courses using dropped marks typically as described in RRS Appendix S as L. There may be a distance course using fixed and dropped marks for cruising classes. More detail will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11 SCORING

- 11.1 The scoring system is as provided in RRS Appendix A, as modified by NOR 1.2.
- 11.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 11.3 Rule A5.3 applies.

12 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 12.1 [DP] Keelboats shall not be hauled out during the event except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the race committee.

13 DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 13.1 [DP] Underwater breathing apparatus and plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used around keelboats between the preparatory signal of the first race and the end of the event.

14 RISK STATEMENT

- 14.1 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.**

15 INSURANCE

- 15.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per incident or the equivalent.

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16 PRIZES

- 16.1 Prizes will be given as follows: One trophy will be awarded in classes with three boats; two trophies will be awarded in classes with four or five boats; and three trophies in classes with six to eight boats. More trophies may be awarded in any class at the discretion of the race committee.
- 16.2 Trophies will include shoes or equivalent for skipper and crew of the first-place boat in classes with six or more boats entered. The race committee, in its discretion and subject to availability, may award similar awards for the first-place boat in smaller classes.
- 16.3 The name of the winner of the most competitive class as determined in the discretion of the race committee will be added to the Shoe Regatta Challenge Cup Wheel perpetual trophy. Only spinnaker classes sailing in windward/leeward courses will be eligible.

17 FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact LYC at (281) 474-2511 or David Comeaux, PRO at (832) 993-5933 or DavidComeaux@live.com.

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