

# Midwinters

2023 Dec. 3 2024 Jan 7, Feb. 4, March 3

## Notice of Race (NoR)



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The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the NoR means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The RYC Midwinters is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 [DP] RRS 40.1 shall apply while crew are on the water. Wetsuits or drysuits are mandatory for all competitors 17 years or younger when sailing on dinghies on courses outside the Richmond Breakwater.
- 1.3 Per RRS 42.3(i), competitors may use an engine or other propulsion method to avoid impeding commercial traffic or restricted areas described in the Sailing Instructions provided they gain no significant advantage in the race.

### 2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 The sailing instructions will be available after 20:00 PDT on Saturday December 2, 2023 on the Official Notice Board which is located outside the downstairs Race Office and online at [www.richmondyc.org](http://www.richmondyc.org).

### 3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 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 The regatta is open to all (non-foiling) monohull centerboard boats and the following invited classes: Wabbit, Thistle, U20, and Mercurys.
- 4.2 The following restrictions apply: Any class with 5 or more boats will be scored One Design. Any class with less than 5 boats registered by 15:00 PST on Saturday, December 2023 will be placed in a handicap division and scored using Time on Time according to their RYA Portsmouth Yardstick handicap as listed in Regatta Network. The Race Committee may adjust the handicap if incomplete or inconsistent.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing registration, including payment of fees, online by 11:00 AM PST on March 3, 2024

### 5 FEES

- 5.1 The Series Entry Fee for one design and Portsmouth Open Handicap Classes is:  
Single Handed - \$90  
Double Handed - \$120  
Triple Handed - \$135  
RYC Juniors - \$30
- 5.2 Refunds may be requested until 12:00 PST on December 2 2023 Refunds may be provided at the discretion of the Race Committee, less a small processing fee charged by Regatta Network.

### 6 SCHEDULE

- 6.1 The regatta will include 4 days of racing on Sundays.  
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- 6.2 Check in for all classes is between 9:00 and 11:00 AM on each day of racing.
- 6.3 A skippers Meeting will be held each day prior to the start of racing on each course :  
**Keller Cove Course:** 10:00 AM PDT  
**Southampton Course:** 10:30 AM PDT  
**Inside Breakwater Course:** No Skippers Meeting
- 6.4 The warning signal for the first race each day is :  
**Keller Cove Course:** 11:30 AM PDT  
**Southampton Course:** 12:00 NOON PDT  
**Inside Breakwater Course:** 11:00 AM PDT
- 6.5 Maximum number of races per day:  
**Keller Cove Course:** 3, not more than 5  
**Southampton Course:** 3, not more than 4  
**Inside Breakwater Course:** 4, not more than 5
- 6.6 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 14:30 PDT.

### 7 VENUE

- 7.1 There will be three race areas as follows. Race area assignment may be changed based on weather forecast and registration:  
**Keller Cove Course:** approximately 0.5nm northwest of the Richmond Breakwater  
**Southampton Course:** outside and southeast of the Breakwater, and may be as far east as Brooks Island.  
**Inside Breakwater Course:** Inside Breakwater (also known as Parent's Cove).

### 8 COURSES

- 8.1 The course(s) to be sailed will be shown using numeral pennant flags and will be described further in the Sailing Instructions. The courses will be around temporary marks.

## **9 SCORING**

- 9.1 Three races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 When fewer than 6 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 7 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. Overall series standing will be calculated allowing one throwout per 7 races completed. This changes A2.
- 9.3 RRS A2.2 and RRS A5.3 shall apply.
- 9.4 All competitors are strongly encouraged to sail with the same sail number throughout the series. If necessary to sail with a different sail number, competitors must report the sail number change at checkin and mark the change on the checkin sheet before sailing with the new number. A boat that races with a different sail number than listed in their registration will not be scored.

## **10 PRIZES**

- 10.1 Prizes will be given as follows: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for classes with 7+ boats. 1st and 2nd for classes with 5 or 6 boats. Double handed will receive awards for skipper and crew. Triple handed will receive awards for skipper and two crew.

## **11 RISK STATEMENT**

- 11.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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.

## **12 INSURANCE & SAFETY**

- 12.1 Competitors are required to have an adequate line for purposes of towing.
- 12.2 Valid third-party liability insurance is required for any keelboat with an inboard or outboard motor.

## **13 CONTACT INFO**

- 13.1 For further information please contact :

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