



WOMEN'S REGATTA WEEKEND CATHERINE SPILLER REGATTA June 22, 2024

**Women's Sailing Association
The Houston Yacht Club**
3620 Miramar Drive, Shoreacres, TX 77571
(281) 471-1255

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta shall be governed by the *Rules* as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 Yachts must have a 2024 PHRF Galveston Bay Racing Certificate.
- 1.3 A woman shall helm and can have a mixed crew for this regatta.
- 1.4 There shall be a minimum of three crew.
- 1.5 Per the *Catherine Spiller Deed of Gift*, this regatta is only open to monohull sailboats.

2. FLEETS

PHRF Distance Spinnaker and PHRF Distance Non-Spinnaker.

3. ENTRIES

- 3.1 Competitors shall enter online through Regatta Network or this link:
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/27502>.
- 3.2 The Entry Fee is \$75. US Sailing members will receive a \$5 discount if they enter their US Sailing number during registration. Entries received after the Early Entry Deadline will be subject to a \$10 Late Fee. Partial entry fees will be refunded if the entry is withdrawn prior to the Early Entry deadline. See the Schedule, **NOR 10**.
- 3.3 NOTES:
The Catherine Spiller Regatta is part of a two-day women's sailing event. The Fairfax Moody Regatta on Sunday is a separate event and participants must register for each of these events separately on Regatta Network website.

Both Women's Regatta Weekend regattas are qualifiers for the 2024 Galveston Bay Women's Championship Series if registered in a spinnaker class. For details go to www.gbca.org.

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on Regatta Network by 12:00 pm on Friday June 21. No copies will be available at the Competitors Briefing.

5. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the Race Information Notice Board in the breezeway adjacent to the offices at Houston Yacht Club.

6. COURSES

- 6.1 The races will be distance courses with Rule 26 starts.
- 6.2 The racing area will be held on upper Galveston Bay bounded by the Houston Ship Channel on the east, the Bayport Ship Channel on the south and the Shoreacres/La Porte shoreline on the west.

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7. BERTHING

- 7.1 Yachts entering this regatta may be moored free of charge at Houston Yacht Club.
- 7.2 Prior to arrival, **boat owners must contact the HYC Harbor Manager at (281) 471-1255**
 - a. Must provide an emergency contact number, and
 - b. Request slip availability.

8. TROPHIES

The Catherine Spiller Regatta Trophy will be awarded to the yacht with the lowest cumulative score of the largest fleet. Trophies will be awarded at the HYC Beachcomber on Saturday after Racing.

9. SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix 'A' Low Point scoring system of the RRS. No score will be excluded.

10. SCHEDULE

Friday, June 14, 5:00 pm Early Entry Deadline / Late fee applies thereafter.

Friday, June 21, 5:00 pm Regatta Entry Deadline

Saturday, June 22

9:30 am Competitors Briefing at HYC Beachcomber.

11:00 am Warning Signal for first race, one additional race if weather and time permit.

After Racing Catherine Spiller trophy presentation followed by competitor's briefing for Fairfax Moody Regatta at the Beachcomber.

6:00 pm A light meal and a cash bar will be provided for competitors. Guest cards can be obtained by contacting the HYC office before 4:30 pm.

All Fairfax Moody Regatta competitors are welcome for the food and beverages

11. RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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

[NP] Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000.00 per incident or the equivalent.

13. CONTACT INFORMATION

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