

HOBIE FLEET 66 NOTICE OF RACE



Organizing Authority: *The Hobie Class Association of North America in affiliation with Phoenix Hobie Fleet 66*

ALL BEACH CATS WELCOME!

Our 2024 regatta is open to all Hobie One-Design Classes as well as non-Hobie catamarans! Prindle, Nacra, Weta etc., all the new and old classics are welcome to share the sandy beach and race with us on the Sea of Cortez.

VENUE

The Beautiful Beachside, Playa Bonita Hotel & RV Park, Puerto Peñasco, Mexico. Keep your boat on the sand for the weekend and sail the warm waters of the Sea of Cortez!

RULES & STARTS

The regatta will be governed as defined in 2021-24 *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and class rules for Hobie fleets. Violations of IHCA Class Rules 12.1 Sails, 13.3 Masts and 16.5 Trampolines shall not be protestable offenses for H16 B, C and Novice Fleets. Starting groups will be determined after all registrations are received.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, May 3th

5:30-7pm Registration & Happy Hour at the HQ Tent

Saturday, May 4

8-9am Registration

9:05am Skippers Meeting

11:00am ... 1st Race Warning Signal, wind permitting

6pm **Post-Race Dinner Party!**

- Food Bar
- Great Music
- Draft Beer & Margaritas
- Silent Auction and Raffle

Sunday, May 5

9:00am..... Skippers Meeting

11:00am ... 1st Race Warning Signal, wind permitting

Final race start is no later than 2pm

Post-Race Hot Dogs, Chips, Beverages!

4:00pm Awards Presentation

ENTRY FEES

Double-handed boats \$110 Includes 2 dinners, 2 Shirts

Single-handed boats \$90 Includes 1 dinner, 1 Shirt

REGISTER EARLY!

On-line registration via Regatta Network, Deadline April 1:

www.regattanetwork.com/event/27567

Registration after April 1 will be accepted with a \$10 late fee and no guarantee of shirt availability. **So Register EARLY!**

ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Regardless of your brand of beach cat, each skipper must be a current member of the HCANA (Hobie Class Association of North America) in order for the fleet to meet the event insurance requirements.

Join with an annual membership of \$55 and you are ready to attend the many Hobie regattas that are now opening up to all brands of beach cats!

HCANA Membership status/renewal:

www.hcanamembers.com

Join HCANA BEFORE you register: hcana.hobieclass.com/join

Personal Liability Insurance Required

All skippers are required to carry proof of personal liability insurance of \$100,000. Most homeowners and renter policies will cover personal liability, check with your agent to confirm. Download or print out a current declarations page to show our registration volunteers when you check-in at the regatta HQ.



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DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. Sailing has inherent risk, see RRS 4, *Decision to Race*. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The Beautiful beach side, Playa Bonita Hotel & RV Park, Puerto Peñasco is hosting the regatta. Keep your boat on the sand for the weekend and sail the warm waters of the Sea of Cortez!

Playa Bonita RV Park

RV and Tent camping sites with water and electric. Reserve your spot by mailing in a \$20 deposit - No Online Reservations.

Playa Bonita Hotel

Reservations: <https://playabonitaresort.com/>
Phone from US: 011-52-638-3832-596.

Sonoran Sky Resort/Condominiums rentals next to the RV Park Reservations:

Sonoran Sky Resort - Sonoran Resorts
Phone: From US: 011-52-638-1124-399.

Other Accommodations

There are many other condominium rentals all along the beach within a short walk or drive. Keep in mind you will need to reserve a camping spot at the Playa Bonita RV Park in order to launch and store your boat during the regatta. You can easily store two cars and trailers per camp site, so sharing with fellow sailors is a great option.

YES YOU NEED A PASSPORT!

Make sure you and your traveling companions have valid IDs. To reenter the United States, you will need to present a valid passport or passport card. All children under 16 (even infants) are required to have a passport. Be sure to plan ahead. New passports can be obtained from your US Post office or online: www.usa.gov/passport

Puerto Peñasco is 62 Miles across the U.S./Mexican Border, and is declared a "Free Zone" a travel Visa is not required.

PAPERWORK FOR YOUR BOAT!

If you register your boat in your home state, bring the registration paperwork! If your Hobie is not registered within your state, be sure to bring a Bill of Sale for your Hobie. If you don't have one make one, include your hull number and make it look official! Same for your trailer - Bring Your Current Trailer Registration! In past regattas, boats have been denied entry at the border for lack of proper paperwork showing ownership.

BRING YOUR VHF RADIO

We encourage you to carry a personal VHF radio to monitor race committee communications and to declare an emergency or ask for assistance from the race committee.

Race Committee is on channel 68.

MEXICAN AUTO INSURANCE

If you are traveling into Mexico, you are required by law to have Mexican Automobile Insurance. Your US auto insurance liability policy, even if it bears a limited Mexican endorsement, is not recognized by Mexican authorities. **A separate Mexican Liability policy is required by Mexican Law.** Inexpensive Insurance can be purchased for the weekend at gas stations and insurance agents in **Gila Bend, Ajo, Why, or Lukeville.**

Having an auto accident in Mexico can be a felony, rather than a misdemeanor. Whenever you are involved in an automobile accident in Mexico, you must immediately be able to prove financial responsibility in either of two ways: 1) Immediate Cash to cover all damages OR 2) An approved Mexican insurance policy. All Citizens driving in Mexico are subject to the laws of Mexico.

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED INTO MEXICO

U.S. citizens are warned against taking any type of firearm or ammunition into Mexico without prior written authorization from the Mexican authorities. Entering Mexico with a firearm, some kinds of knives or even a single round of ammunition is illegal, even if the weapon or ammunition is taken into Mexico unintentionally. The Mexican government strictly enforces its laws restricting the entry of firearms and ammunition. Violations have resulted in arrests, convictions, and long prison sentences for U.S. citizens

ITEMS NOT ALLOWED BACK INTO USA

All travelers entering the United States are required to DECLARE any meats, fruits, vegetables, plants, seeds, or animals. Most fruits, vegetables, and plants may not be brought into the United States. Fresh, dried, or canned meats and meat byproducts are prohibited entry into the US.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

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CINCO DE MAYO REGATTA ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

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Playa Bonita RV Park - All RV / Tent camping sites have water, electric and sewer for \$29 per night / \$174 per week "Ocean View". Reserve your spot by mailing in a \$20 deposit along with the Reservation Form below. You can not book online.

On your reservation "Special Request" line note: "HOBIE Sailing Group"

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RESERVATION BY MAIL ONLY WE DO NOT ACCEPT PHONE RESERVATIONS

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DATE: _____

No. OF NIGHTS: _____ No. OF SPACES: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ R.V. LENGTH: _____

SPECIAL REQUEST: _____

DEPOSIT: **\$20** CHECK No. _____ CASH: _____

SPECIFIC SPACE NUMBERS ARE NOT GUARANTEED, THERE WILL BE A \$10.00 DLLS. FEE FOR ALL CANCELATIONS. WE MUST RECEIVE CANCELTION NOTICE 7 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL DATE TO RECEIVE REFUND.

To reserve your space at the RV Park, you must mail this reservation form with a \$20 check or cash deposit to:

**Playa Bonita RV Park
PO Box 254
Lukeville, AZ 85341**