



Notice of Race

2025 Oktoberfest

October 4, 2025

Hamilton Creek Marina, Percy Priest Lake, Hermitage, TN

The organizing authority for this event is Percy Priest Yacht Club

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. The prescriptions of RRS 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.3. The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turns Penalty"
- 1.4. When code flag "AP" is displayed ashore, RRS Race Signals is changed to read "The warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after removal unless the race is postponed again or abandoned."
- 1.5. RRS 32.2 is changed to "If the race committee signals a shortened course (displays flag S with two sounds), the finishing line shall be between a staff displaying flag "S" (shortened course signal flag) on a race committee boat end and the new finishing mark at the other end." This new finish line will be within a leg of the existing course. 1.7 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).
- 1.6. Further rule changes pertaining to the management of the individual races will be described in the final Sailing Instructions. In the event of a disagreement between this Notice of Race and the final Sailing Instructions, the final Sailing Instructions will be considered the controlling document.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes or amendments will be dated and posted online no later than midnight October 3, 2025, at <https://ppyc.clubexpress.com>. Click on the Oktoberfest Regatta in the Upcoming Events list. Copies of this NoR and the SI (including any final changes) for this regatta will be posted on the official notice board no later than 0900, October 3, 2025
- 2.2. Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the PRO hailing competitors on VHF channel 68

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board is located on the club house windows overlooking the docks at Hamilton Creek Marina (North side of building).
- 3.2. [NP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio.
- 3.3. On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68. Failure to hear or understand a broadcast will not be grounds for redress.

- 3.4. [NP] [While racing] 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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta will be open to all cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with PPYC. Each boat must have a PPYC assigned PHRF handicap rating to be considered fully registered.
- 4.2. Classes are defined as follows:
Non-Spinnaker- PHRF boats that have a PPYC assigned non-spinnaker PHRF rating
Spinnaker- PHRF boats that have a PPYC assigned spinnaker PHRF rating.
- 4.3. The Regatta Committee may combine, split or assign boats to classes at its sole discretion.
- 4.4. Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form and submitting it, together with the required fee, by 0800, October 4, 2025 There will be no onsite registration.
- 4.5. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees. This includes the required DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER (may be viewed and downloaded on the event website).

5. FEES

Registration Fee:	\$45
A \$5.00 discount is available for US Sailing members.	-\$5
Special notice: This is a Red Cup Event (beverages containing alcohol must be in an opaque unmarked container while on Metro Property)	

6. SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 4, 2025	
0800	All registrations are now required online via the PPYC web site, by 0800.
0930	Place Waiver and Release & Emergency Contact Information form into the designated box or the check in desk. Waivers are required by 0930. If incomplete, the boat will not be scored.
1000	Competitor's' Meeting will be conducted on club house deck
1100	Warning Signal
Awards	Awards presentation will be as soon as practical after last race on the club house deck

7. COURSES

- 7.1. The regatta will consist of one distance course as described in the SIs.
- 7.2. Races will start within three miles of the entrance to the Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina cove.
- 7.3. Course descriptions and diagrams will be posted on the official notice board and/or attached to the Sailing Instructions as an addendum.

7.4. Actual courses and course length will be determined by the Race Committee based on the sailing conditions.

8. LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING

8.1. Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina free of charge.

8.2. A ramp is available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.

9. SCORING

9.1. RRS Appendix A will apply.

9.2. One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

9.3. Awards will be given to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, in each fleet

Disclaimer of Liability. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 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 to, during, or after the regatta.

Further Information

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