

U.S. OK Dinghy Racing Association (USOKDRA)
American Championship
August 8-10, 2025
Organizing Authority: Texas Corinthian Yacht Club (TCYC)
Kemah, Texas
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Notice of Race
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If there is a named storm in the Gulf, the Organizing Authority reserves the right to cancel this event seven (7) days in advance and refund all entry fees.

1. RULES

- 1.1. This event is governed by the rules in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS) and the International OKDRA Class Rules, available at: [International OK Dinghy Class Association](http://www.okdinghy.org/).
- 1.2. The following US Sailing Prescriptions will apply: Appendix R and V1, the prescription to the preamble to Part 5, the preamble to RRS 63 and the prescriptions to RRS 63.1, 65.1 and 76.1. The full text of the prescriptions will be posted on the notice board.
- 1.3. Arbitration will be offered in accordance with RRS Appendix T. Appendix T1(b) is modified as described in notice of race 10.1.
- 1.4. RRS 40.1 applies at all times on the water. "Each competitor shall wear a personal flotation device except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment." Code flag Yankee will not be displayed.
- 1.5. Add to Rule 42.3(c)(1): this shall be done with the **mainsheet** turning through at least three blocks between the **boom** and the **crew**, such that the system creates a minimum purchase of three to one. The final block shall be securely fastened in the cockpit area.
- 1.6. RRS 41 is amended by the addition of the following:
 - (e). help to recover from the water and return on board a crew member, provided the return on board is at the approximate location of the recovery.
- 1.7. In accordance with RRS 50.1(b), the maximum weight for a competitor's clothing and equipment is 10kg.
- 1.8. Appendix T, ARBITRATION, shall apply.
- 1.9. If, at the close of registration, there are less than five (5) entries, this event will be called the USOKDRA Texas State Championship.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on-line no later than August 3, 2025 and at the on-site registration/check-in at TCYC.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1. The official notice board will be located on the water-front windows of the TCYC lobby. A courtesy notice board for race documents will be on line at http://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_notice_board.php?regatta_id=29901
- 3.2. All signals ashore will be displayed from the TCYC flagpole, located on the water-side of the club.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1. The regatta is open to members of the USOKDRA or other relevant international OK class associations.
- 4.2. Members of USOKDRA need to have paid dues for 2025.
- 4.3. Eligible competitors may enter online at https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=29901

5. FEES AND REGISTRATION

5.1. The entry fee is \$50.00 and includes: an event T-shirt, breakfast, lunch (TBD), and after-racing snacks and non-alcoholic beverages.

5.2. Entries received after August 1, 2025 will be charged an additional \$25.00 late fee.

5.3 Entries will close at 1800 on Thursday, August 7, 2025.

5.4. Registration is not complete until entry and required fees have been received by TCYC.

6. ADVERTISING

Advertising shall be permitted in accordance with World Sailing Regulation 20.

7. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

7.1.

Friday, August 8	0900-1030	Breakfast	TCYC buffet area
	0930-1100	Check-in/Registration	TCYC lobby
	1130	Safety inspection and competitor meeting	Location TBA
	1300	Initial warning signal - 2 race day	
	After racing	Post-race snacks	Location TBA
Saturday, August 9	0900-1030	Breakfast	TCYC buffet area
	1130	Safety inspection and competitor's briefing	Location TBA
	1300	Initial warning signal - 2 race day	
	After racing	Post-race snacks	Location TBA
Sunday, August 10	0900-1030	Breakfast	TCYC Buffet area
	1130	Safety inspection and competitor's briefing	Location TBA
	1300	Initial warning signal - 2 race day	
	1500	No warning signal after this time	
	After racing	Post-race snacks & Awards	Location TBA

7.2. Six (6) races are scheduled.

7.3. Each race day, there will be a daily safety inspection prior to launching, at 1030.

7.4. No boats may launch until code flag Delta has been displayed, with one (1) sound, from the TCYC flagpole.

8. MEASUREMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

8.1 Each boat shall be able to produce, upon request, a valid measurement certificate for the boat and sails. Boats 10-years or older are exempt from this requirement.

8.2 Boats must comply with current Class Rules and specifications.

8.3 Sails may be inspected to verify a stamp with date of measurement.

8.4 Competitors may be asked to show compliance with all safety gear as required by US Coast Guard and Class Rules, or the competitors' home country's requirements, and Class Rules.

8.5 Additional measurement checks may be conducted during the event at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

8.6 Emphasis is drawn to OKDRA Class Rule C.5.2(a) Portable Equipment, Nor For Use, MANDATORY

- (1) Any floating towing rope with a minimum length of 10 m of not less than 6 mm in diameter, and which shall be accessible without opening a watertight bulkhead.

9. COURSES AND RACING AREA

9.1 Courses will be Windward / Leeward in configuration and will be described in detail in the Sailing Instructions.

9.2 The racing area will be in Galveston Bay, ¾ mile East of the TCYC pier. Please see Addendum A.

10. PENALTY SYSTEM

10.1. US Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of an Incident, will be in effect. The first two sentences of RRS 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 RRS 28 or 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while within the *zone* around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two Turns Penalty."

11. SCORING

11.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System in RRS Appendix A.

11.2. One (1) completed race shall constitute a series.

11.3. Each boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score, except that no scores will be excluded if fewer than six (6) races are completed. This changes A2.1.

11.4 Scores will be posted on-site and on-line at

https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_regatta_results.php?regatta_id=29901

12. SUPPORT PERSON VESSELS

All support and coach vessels must be capable of communication with the Race Committee on VHF channel 69, and shall respond to any Race Committee requests for help providing rescue and safety of all competitors.

13. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$100,000 per incident or the equivalent. Proof of insurance shall be shown at the on-site check-in/registration.

14. PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT

By entering the regatta, a competitor grants the OA and/or Host Club in perpetuity to make, use and/or show, from time to time at their discretion, any photographs, motion pictures and live,taped or filmed television and other reproductions of him taken during the period of competition without compensation.

15. PRIZES

15.1. The OK Dinghy National Championship perpetual trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of the event.

15.2. Trophies will also be awarded:

- Top three (3) overall finishers
- Top "Master" (40-49)
- Top "Grand Master" (50-59)
- Top "Grand Grand Master" (60-69)
- Top "Legend" (70-79)
- Top "Immortal " [80+]
- Top Wooden Mast
- Top Tin Mast

16. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

16.1. Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3. Decision to Race. Neither the Organizing Authority nor the Host Club will accept any liability for property damage or personal injury or death in conjunction with, prior to, during or after the event.

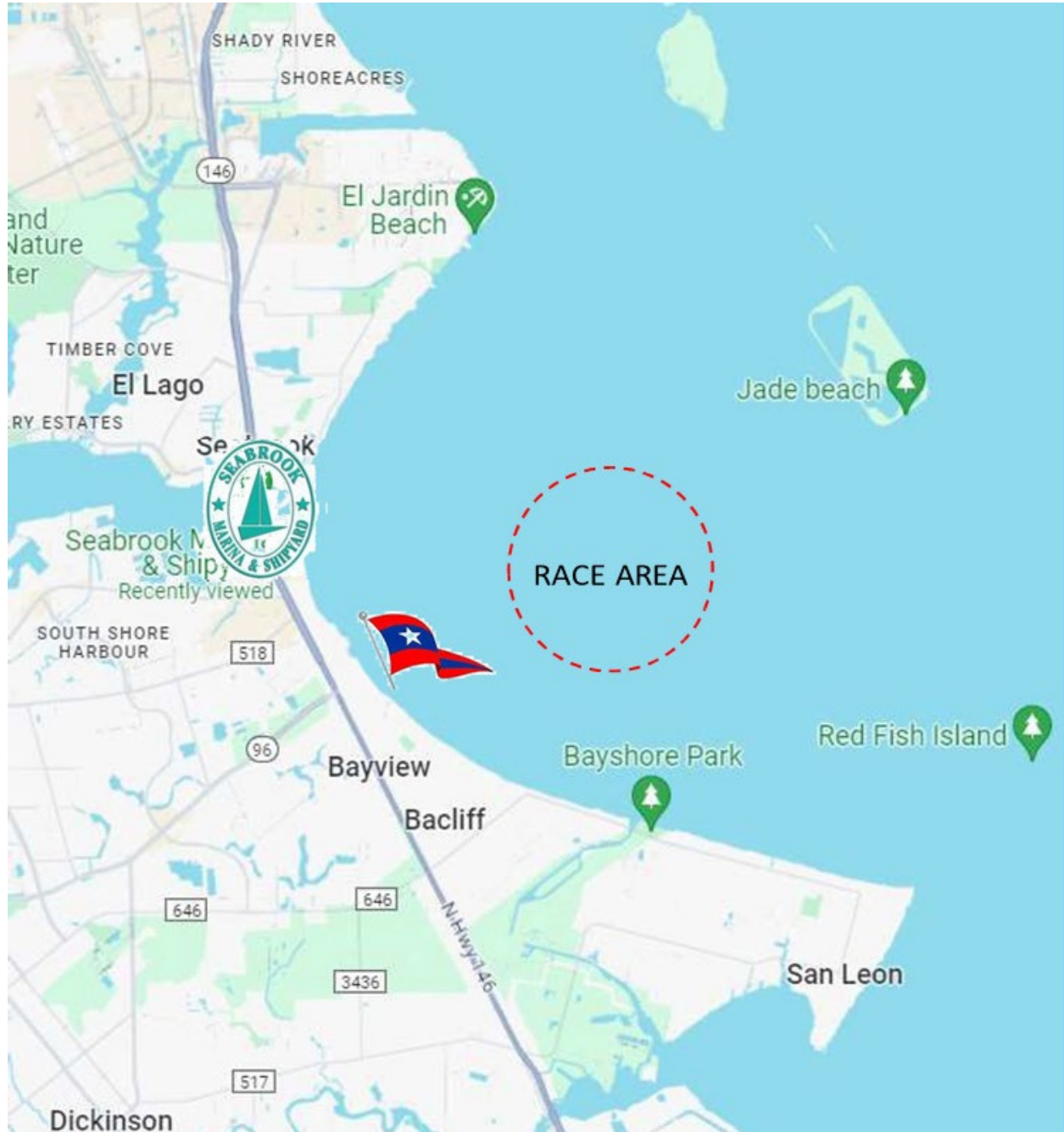
16.2. Racing Minimum wind speed is 3 m/sec 5.83 knots. Racing Maximum Wind speed is 14 m/sec, 27.2 knots as specified in the OKDRA Championship Event Manual. [20160527_OK-Dinghy-Event-Manual-DRAFTv2.pdf](#)

17 FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

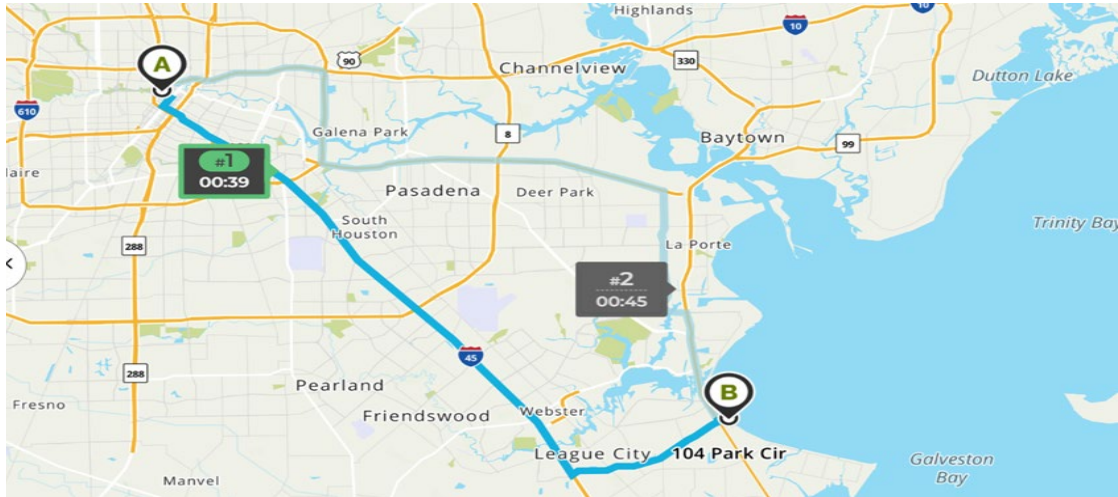
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ADDENDUM A
Racing Area



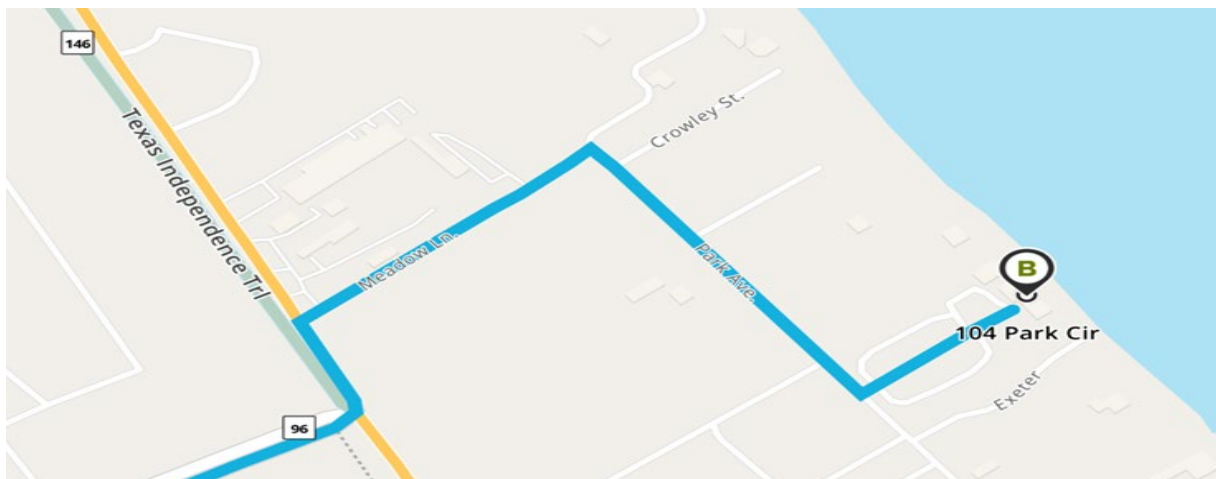
ADDENDUM B



DESTINATION: 104 Park Circle, Kemah Texas.

From Houston:

- Take I-45 South towards Galveston.
- Exit onto TX 96 (W League City Parkway); turn left under the overpass. Go 6.6 miles.
- At the traffic light to TX 146, turn left and go 400 feet.
- Take an immediate right turn onto Meadow Lane. Go 0.2 miles.
- Veer right onto Park Ave. Go 0.2 miles. Turn left into TCYC.
- Proceed down the main drive, towards the clubhouse at the end of the road.



ADDENDUM C

Arrival Logistics

When you arrive at TCYC, please remember that this is still a busy time of the summer for the Club.

If you are arriving early, please call someone at the club and let them know you are coming. The club is closed on Monday and Tuesday.

Upon approaching the main clubhouse at the end of the main driveway, please take the second road to the parking lot. There will be an opening (you can see the water on your right) between two white buildings, with grass in between. This is the unloading spot, with direct access to the front lawn and ramp area.

Please keep your boat in the grassy area between the main clubhouse and the club cabana area.

As this is also the main road for members to enter the parking lot AND deliveries for the Club, please unload as quickly as possible, not to block the road. Take only the time you need to unload your boat and then please move your car to the parking lot or other parking area that will be detailed at the venue.

Trailers may be stored in the area marked trailer storage for the duration of the event.