



2013 STAR CLASS NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONSHIP

June 4th – 9th

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: Newport Harbor Yacht Club & the International Star Class Racing Association (STCR)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS). The Organizing Authority is Newport Harbor Yacht Club in conjunction with the International Star Class Yacht Racing Association (ISCYRA). The host fleet is NH Fleet.
- 1.2. US Sailing is the national authority of the venue. No national prescriptions will apply except for the following:
 - 1.2.1. After rule 88.2 add: *US Sailing prescribes that sailing instructions shall not change or delete rule 61.4, Appendix R, or its prescriptions to rules 68 or 76.1.*
 - 1.2.2. Add rule 61.4: 61.4 Fees for Protests and Requests for Redress, *US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.*
 - 1.2.3. After rule 68 add:
US Sailing prescribes that:
 - a. *A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, but that action alone, admit liability for damages.*
 - b. *A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US SAILING appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.*
 - c. *A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by these rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.*
 - 1.2.4. After rule 76.1 add: *US SAILING prescribes that an organizing authority or race committee shall not reject or cancel the entry of a boat or exclude a competitor eligible under the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions for an arbitrary or capricious reason or for reason of race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or age.*
- 1.3. Decisions of the International Jury will be final in accordance with RRS 70.4.
- 1.4. RRS Appendix P will apply.
- 1.5. RRS 32 will be changed to provide that courses will not be shortened.
- 1.6. RRS 33 (b) will not apply.
- 1.7. RRS 35 will be changed to provide that boats not finishing within 60 minutes after the first boat to finish will be scored DNF without a hearing.
- 1.8. RRS 62.2 and 66 will be changed to shorten the time for requesting redress and the time to request to re-open a hearing on the last day of racing.
- 1.9. RRS A4.1 will be changed to score boats that fail to check-in prior to the first warning signal for the day as DNS without a hearing.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Advertising is unrestricted subject to ISAF Regulation 20.2 and 20.3.
- 2.2. Boats may be required to display provided event advertising or boat identification on the forward part of the hull.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. This regatta is open to all Star class boats that are eligible in accordance with STCR 21, 26, 29 and 30. Qualifications are Log plus infinity. Additionally, only skippers and crews eligible to compete under the ISAF Eligibility Code shall compete in this regatta.
- 3.2. All entries shall be submitted on the Official Online Entry Form available at <http://goo.gl/ynaSB> not later than 1700 on May 17, 2013.
- 3.3. For the purpose of RRS Appendix A Scoring: A boat is not considered entered until: (a) all fees are paid and (b) measurement is completed.

4. FEES

Eligible boats may enter by submitting the entry form and paying the \$500 entry fee online at www.nhyc.org. The entry fee includes boat and trailer parking, launching, hauling and invitations to social for skipper and crew.

5. SCHEDULE

Check-in & Measurement	Tuesday 6/4/13	1000 - 1600
	Wednesday 6/5/13	1000 - 1630
Tow leaves NHYC	Wednesday 6/5/13	1200
Practice Race	Wednesday 6/5/13	1330
Competitors' Briefing	Wednesday 6/5/13	1800
Launch window	Thursday 6/6/13 – Sunday 6/9/13	0730 - 1030
Tow leaves NHYC	Thursday 6/6/13 – Sunday 6/9/13	1100
First warning signal	Thursday 6/6/13 – Sunday 6/9/13	1300
Trophy presentation	Sunday 6/9/13	1730 or as soon as possible after racing

6. MEASUREMENT

- 6.1. Measurement will take place at Newport Harbor Yacht Club (NHYC). Each participating boat shall have a valid Measurement Certificate in his/her name and Weight Certificate. Only boats that have completed registration, paid all entry fees, and passed the prescribed measurement check procedure by 1630 on 6/5/13 are entitled to race. The Jury may order that a boat be re-checked during the regatta.
- 6.2. Crews shall demonstrate compliance with crew weight limits in accordance with STCR 31.1.3 prior to 1630 on 06/05/13. Crews may be re-weighed during the event at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 6.3. Each boat shall show the sail number as indicated on the Official Entry Form and approved by the Measurer.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on the official notice board (www.nhyc.org) on 6/01/13.

8. VENUE

Racing will be approximately 0.5mn west of the Newport Beach Pier, San Pedro Channel, Pacific Ocean.

9. COURSES

Courses will be according to STCR 34.

10. SCORING

- 10.1 Four (4) races are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10.2 The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A, will apply, modified so that each series score will be the total of her races scores with her worst score excluded if more than four (4) races are completed.

11. BERTHING

All Star boats shall be at NHYC commencing at 1630 hours on 06/5/13 until the conclusion of racing.

12. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

The Organizing Authority may impose haul-out restrictions.

13. TEAM AND PRIVATE SUPPORT BOATS

A boat shall receive no outside assistance from support boats or otherwise once she has left the dock for the day until the finish of the last race of the day, except in the case of emergency and/or towing supplied by the organizer and available to all participants.

14. PRIZES

- 14.1. Perpetual trophies will be awarded according to STCR 24.
- 14.2. Series prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through fifth.
- 14.3. Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the Series for the skippers aged 50 through 59 before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Master's Division will also compete for Series prizes.
- 14.4. Grand Master's trophies will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first through third in the Series for the skippers aged 50 through 59 before the start of the first race. Competitors in the Grand Master's Division will also compete for Series prizes.
- 14.5. Daily prizes will be awarded to the skipper and crew finishing first in each race.

15. DISCLAIMER

The Organizing Authority shall require each competitor to sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to persons or property occurring in conjunction with the regatta or on the property Newport Harbor Yacht Club The Organizing Authority, their members, employees, officers and/or agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

16. INSURANCE

Boats sailing in this regatta must be adequately insured against third party liability for racing risks. Proof of same may be requested.

17. INFORMATION

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