



RUSH CREEK YACHT CLUB

NOTICE of RACE

HEATH, TEXAS

2021 Texas Independence Day Regatta / J24 Circuit Stop #1 March 6th & 7th, 2021

1. RULES

- a. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (2021-2024) except as modified by this Notice of Race.
- b. The RCYC Go/No Go Chart will be used at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- c. Any rules specific to a particular class are specified in an addendum to this notice. Where there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and any addendum, the addendum shall govern.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

- a. PHRF Symmetrical Spinnaker class, PHRF Asymmetrical class and a Non-Spinnaker class are expected.
- b. A minimum of four yachts of the same design will constitute a one-design class.
- c. Boats may enter using the on-line entry form on the RCYC website.

3. FEES

- a. Entry Fee \$80.00. Includes 1 dinner per registration.
- b. Penalty for Late Registration, after Friday, February 26th, 2021 is \$20.00.

4. SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 6 th	Registration Open	0900
	Competitor's Briefing	1000
	First Warning Signal	1130
	Additional races to follow	
	Post Race Keg Beer	After Sailing
	Gumbo Dinner	1800
Sunday, March 7 th	First Warning Signal	1000
	Additional races to follow	
	No warning signal after	1300
	Awards	Approximately 1 hour after committee boat enters harbor

5. MEASUREMENTS

- a. Yachts racing PHRF MUST have a designated Lake Ray Hubbard PHRF rating. Yachts racing One Design will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- a. The sailing instructions will consist of the instructions in RRS Appendix S, Standard Sailing Instructions, and supplementary sailing instructions that will be on the "Official Notice Board" located on the west facing window at the south end of the RCYC Clubhouse.

7. VENUE

- a. All races will be sailed on Lake Ray Hubbard.

8. SCORING

- a. A single race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- b. The low-point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will apply. There will be no throw-outs. This modifies RRS Appendix A.
- c. PHRF Keelboats shall be scored using PHRF time-on-distance (TOD).

10. PRIZES

- a. Trophies will be awarded based on the number of registrants per class at the end of early registration. Additional trophies may be awarded if more entries enter a class after early registration.

11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- a. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4, 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.
- b. It is critical to be mindful of how you feel, and particularly when ANY of the potential COVID-19 symptoms are present to stay home.

12. FURTHER INFORMATION

- a. For further information please contact Jack Marsh – jack.marsh@gmail.com 214-732-1886.

ADDENDUM TO NOTICE OF RACE

J/24 CLASS ONLY

The Notice of Race for the J/24 Class Only shall be amended as follows. Where there is conflict between the Notice of Race and this addendum, this addendum shall govern.

- This is a scheduled Circuit Stop of the 2021 J/24 Texas Circuit.
- The regatta is also governed by the Notice of Circuit for the 2021 J/24 Texas Circuit and the 2019 International J/24 Class Rules (“Class Rule”).
- The regatta is open to all J/24 boats as defined by the International J/24 Class and whose entries are accepted by the organizer. Helmspersons must be full members of the J/24 National or International Class. Competitors must meet all ownership and class membership requirements, complete all requirements set forth in the Notice of Circuit, including payment of the J/24 Texas Circuit Membership Fee outlined therein, and pay all required Regatta registration fees to become official participants.
- Races shall be sailed on windward/leeward courses or variations thereof. Offset weather marks and leeward gates may be used. However, due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the uncertainty of the conduct of races that will be determined by each organizing host, races will be sailed pursuant to the best practices as decided by that organizing host.
- The regatta will consist of as many as six (6) races over two (2) consecutive days. Three (3) races must be completed to count towards the overall 2021 J/24 Texas Circuit series scores.
- No race scores will be excluded from a boat’s regatta score. This modifies RRS A2. The scoring penalty as provided by RRS 44.3 and as modified by the sailing instructions will apply.
- Pursuant to Class Rule A.9.1., the mainsail, 150% genoa and spinnaker must all have the same sail numbers as their boat’s hull number. Any boat whose sail numbers do not match their hull number may race in the regatta by submitting a written request as stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- Class Rule C.10.2 is amended herein and in the Sailing Instructions to allow boats to carry an additional spinnaker. Boats shall comply strictly to this amendment as it is stated in the Sailing Instructions.
- In accordance with Class Rule A.11.1, all boats must have a current, valid Measurement Certificate issued by the J/24 Class and current (completed annually) Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment. A boat without a Measurement Certificate may race only with prior approval of the Governor. This changes Class Rule A.11.1. No formal provisions for boat measurement will be available at the Regatta.
- In accordance with Class Rule B.3, all boats must carry aboard the current Measurement Certificate and Inventory of Required and Optional Equipment.
- A boat and/or its equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules by the Governor or Circuit Rep, a J/24 class measurer or race official prior to, during or at the conclusion of each regatta, and without prior notification. Any violations of the Class Rules shall be subject to penalties as set forth in the Sailing Instructions.
- Pursuant to Class Rule C.2.1, all crews must consist of at least three (3) persons with weight not exceeding 400 kg (882 lbs). All competitors will be weighed during registration at each regatta and the crew shall remain the same for all races.

For more information regarding the Texas J/24 Circuit, you may contact Tonja Holmes-Moon, Texas Circuit Representative at (940) 808-6477 or txcircuit@j24district14.com

For more information regarding J/24 District 14, you may contact John Parker, District 14 Governor at (512) 983-2582 or governor@j24district14.com

2021 Texas Independence Day Regatta – J24 Circuit Stop #1 REGISTRATION FORM

Skipper's Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
E-mail Address _____
Home Club and Member # _____
City/State/Zip _____
Boat Name _____
One Design: _____
Class of Boat: Spinnaker Genoa (circle one)
Sail # _____ Hull Color _____
J/24 Bow # _____
Optional: Cell Phone # _____

Mail completed registration form and check to:
Rush Creek Yacht Club – Texas Independence Day Regatta
320 Rush Creek Dr., Rockwall, TX. 75032
(972) 771-6500

Registration Fee:
Keel Boats \$80.00
After Friday, February 26th
Late Registration Fee + \$20.00

Must be ordered by 7:00 pm on February 28th.
Saturday Box Lunch ____ @ \$10.00 \$ ____
Saturday Night Gumbo Dinner ____ @ \$20.00 \$ ____
After Racing Sunday Hamburger Lunch (Before Awards Ceremony) ____ @ \$10.00 \$ ____

Charge RCYC # _____ Check # _____ Cash \$ _____ Total...\$ _____