

# NOTICE OF RACE

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### RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES

#### 1. ORGANIZING AUTHORITY.

The organizing authority of RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES is Rush Creek Yacht Club, Heath, Texas ("RCYC"). Races will be conducted by Race Committees appointed from time to time.

#### 2. RULES.

The RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES is governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing (2013-2016)* ("RRS") (including applicable ISAF Regulations), the prescriptions of United States Sailing Association to the RRS, the rules and bylaws of the fleets and classes of RCYC (where applicable), the *History of US PHRF<sup>®</sup> Affiliated Fleet Handicaps 2012* ("PHRF 2012") (where applicable), the By-laws and written policies of RCYC, this Notice of Race, and the Sailing Instructions.

#### 3. ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY.

- 3.1. The RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES is open to all boats owned by members of RCYC and any Club Boat for which a member is the Person in Charge.
- 3.2. Any boat identified by the Race Committee as a member of any of the classes recognized by the Board of Governors from time to time as an "approved fleet" under RCYC By-laws 8.1 and 8.3 ("Approved Fleet") and starting any race of a series for its class shall be considered registered for that series.
- 3.3. No fees are required to participate in the RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES.

#### 4. CLASSIFICATION.

All classifications of sailors are eligible to participate (see ISAF Sailor Classification Code and RRS Rule 79 - Classification).

#### 5. SERIES SCHEDULES and CLASSES.

- 5.1. The racing classes, their series, the dates for racing ("Race Days"), and the class flags are set forth in Notice of Race -- Appendix -- Series Schedules.

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- 5.2. Each boat shall compete in the series for its Approved Fleet.
- 5.3. An Approved Fleet which is a one-design class may compete within the Racing Auxiliary Fleet – starting and finishing with that class and sailing the same course – for a series by giving written notice to the Vice Commodore (Racing) no later than the day before the first day of the series.
- 5.4. Notwithstanding Notice of Race ¶5.2, individual one-design boats with a rating in *PHRF 2012* may compete in the Racing Auxiliary Fleet by complying with Notice of Race ¶3.2.
- 5.5. Any race abandoned and not sailed or re-sailed the same day shall not be re-scheduled.

### 6. SCORING.

- 6.1. See *RRS* Rule 90.3 - Scoring and *RRS* Appendix A - Scoring.
- 6.2. Each series shall be scored separately.
- 6.3. The order of finish for boats competing in the Racing Auxiliary Fleet is determined by applying the handicap system of *PHRF 2012* using the time-on-distance formula.
- 6.4. Three races, conducted on at least 2 separate days, are required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 6.5. Boats sailing a race course but owned by persons not members of RCYC shall not be scored. Boats entered in a series but which have no RCYC member aboard as the Person in Charge during a race shall not be scored for that race.

### 7. PROTESTS.

If a Protest Committee has not previously been appointed by Vice Commodore (Racing), protests may be heard by any qualified person or persons designated by the Principal Race Officer for that race, or in his or her absence, the highest ranking flag officer of RCYC present. Protests not heard the day of filing of the protest shall be heard by a Protest Committee appointed by Vice Commodore (Racing).

### 8. PRIZES.

- 8.1. Prizes will be determined and awarded by each Approved Fleet.
- 8.2. If a one-design class has elected to race with the Racing Auxiliary Fleet, it may also award prizes for its class.

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### 9. VENUE.

All racing will take place on Lake Ray Hubbard.

### 10. REPLACEMENT OF CREW AND EQUIPMENT.

Substitution of crew and replacement or repair of damaged boats or equipment during a series are allowed.

### 11. HAUL-OUT.

There are no restrictions on hauling out.

### 12. INSURANCE.

Each participating boat must be insured with third-party liability insurance.

### 13. PUBLICITY and ADVERTISING.

13.1. RCYC grants competitors a royalty-free, non-exclusive, revocable, one-time right for personal, non-commercial purposes to:

- produce and publish images of RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES events; and
- re-produce on clothing, boat, or equipment the name of the RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES and any logo or symbol associated therewith, including any variations thereof.

13.2. By participating in RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES events, competitors (owners, helmsmen, crew, and onshore and on-the-water support personnel) acknowledge and agree that RCYC may use images and descriptions of competitors and events for publicity purposes.

13.3. Advertising on boats, clothing, and equipment is permitted (see ISAF Regulation 20.2.1).

### 14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY.

Competitors – owners, helmsmen, crew, and onshore and on-the-water support personnel – participate in the races of the RCYC 2013 CLUB SERIES entirely at their own risk. Competitors are referred to *RRS* Rule 4 – Decision to Race. RCYC will not accept any liability for damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or before, during, or after any race.

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### 15. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

Sailing instructions may be issued separately for one or more series. Sailing instructions may only be amended by the Vice Commodore (Racing).

### 16. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.

- 16.1. Notices to competitors posted on a Race Day will be posted on the notice board located on the outside of the glass wall on the west side of the RCYC clubhouse.
- 16.2. Notices may also be posted from time to time on the notice board by the front door of the RCYC clubhouse.
- 16.3. Race Signal "L" will not be displayed for notices posted on days that are not Race Days. This changes *RRS* Racing Signals / Other Signals / L.

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**APPENDIX**

**SERIES SCHEDULES**