

ONE-DESIGN DISTANCE RACE
APRIL 30, 2016
Southern Yacht Club
Lake Pontchartrain

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), including the US Sailing prescriptions; applicable class rules; the SYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI); and this Notice of Race (NOR). When there is a conflict between rules, succeeding documents in this list shall govern.

1.2 US Sailing Prescriptions Appendix T, Sections A, B & C shall apply.

1.3 RRS A4.2, A5 & A11 are altered herein.

2 YACHT ELIGIBILITY AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

2.1 The regatta is open to any one-design class accepted by the OA.

2.2 Each yacht shall carry a VHF radio and may carry a GPS. This may alter certain class rules.

2.3 The OA strongly recommends compliance with the requirements of the *US Safety Equipment Requirements* (USSER) for a Nearshore race.

2.4 Prior to the start, each yacht shall hold a man overboard (MOB) briefing or drill with the crew.

2.5 At each yacht's pre-start check-in, every soul aboard shall be visible on deck wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD).

2.6 Yachts that withdraw from the race shall contact the RC as soon as possible. Failure to report in a timely manner may result in disciplinary action.

3 CREW ELIGIBILITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 The term "Skipper" as used herein means the person, whether or not the owner of the yacht, who is so designated on the entry form and who is the Person in Charge of the yacht during the race. The Skipper is responsible for the yacht, its handling and safety, the conduct of the crew before, during and after the race, and compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

3.2 The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Owner, who shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully sound,

thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit and sufficient in number to sail the boat in adverse conditions. The owner must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted on the official notice board at SYC and online at RN. Electronic notifications (email and/or SMS) will be sent to competitors registered via RN.

5 ENTRIES AND FEES

Eligible yachts may be entered by completing the online entry form. There is no entry fee.

6 SCHEDULE and COURSE

6.1 The first start will be at 1000. The starting sequence will be announced with the courses.

6.2 The course will be displayed on the RC signal boat at the start and may be posted on the notice board and distributed to the entrants via RN prior to the race.

6.3 Different classes may have different courses.

6.4 If a HARBOR FINISH is indicated by the RC, the finish line will be in the MYH entrance channel between the red-emblazoned utility pole on Breakwater Drive and an orange flag displayed near the northwest corner of the SYC clubhouse.

7 TIME LIMIT

A yacht that is still racing 30 minutes after the first boat in her class finishes, and that is not scored otherwise, shall be scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) and receive points equal to two (2) places behind the last boat to finish, but not worse than last place. This alters RRS A4.2, A5 & A11.

8 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See Rule 4 Decision to Race. The Management of the event will not accept liability for any losses resulting from competitors' participation in this event and associated activities prior to, during and after the regatta.