

## NOTICE OF RACE/Sailing Instructions J and J Race

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Amended on September 8th, 2023

- 1. **Rules**: This race is governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing except as modified by the STYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI), these Sailing Instructions, and the USCG VTS Navigation Rules.
- 2. Eligibility and Entry Deadline: This race is open to STYC members with PHRF-NW ratings who wish to race in handicapped classes. Members without a PHRF rating are eligible to race in the Slooper class. Non STYC members with a valid PHRF-NW rating are eligible to enter provided the skipper is a member of a PIYA or US Sailing accepted club. Entries must be received on the STYC website (www.styc.org), no later than 2400, on the Wednesday before the race. See the GSI for the late entry policy. Non-members and Associate Members must submit a \$35 entry fee with the completed entry. Valid PHRF-NW certificates must be received by the regular registration deadline, or at the time of registration for late entries.
- 3. **Crew Size Limits:** This race will have both double handed and single handed divisions. Double handed boats may consist of any two crew members (male or female). If the crew consists of one male and one female, this race will count as part of the Seattle Jack and Jill Series. Crew size is limited to no more than 2 total including the skipper. Violation of this rule will result in a DSQ.
- 4. Special COVID-19 Requirements: STYC would like to remind everyone participating that sailboat racing is voluntary and is done at your own risk. Compliance with Federal, State, and Local rules and regulations is required by the club and enforcement is the responsibility of the skipper. In particular, skippers are responsible for ensuring everyone in their crew complies with all guidelines, rules, and regulations to prevent the spread of COVID-19 while participating in STYC races. Further, please be especially careful of COVID protocols while on the dock and using the facilities at the marina.
- 5. **Divisions and Starting Times**: The intent is to have both FS and NFS divisions for both single handed and double handed boats. Class breaks will be posted on the STYC website (<a href="www.styc.org">www.styc.org</a>) by 1800 the Friday before the race. The 1<sup>st</sup> Class starts at 1100. The first warning is at 1055.
- 6. **Race Distance and Course**: The full course is <del>16.045</del> 14.931 nautical miles. If a short course is signaled before the start, the course will consist of 2 laps, each 5.114 nm. If a sound signal is given on completion of lap one, the race is finished. If no signal is given, proceed to the second lap. Times will be taken at the end of lap one, which the Race Committee may opt to use in the event of dying winds in lap 2. Either course may be shortened after the start at any mark in accordance with the STYC GSI. The courses are as follows:

Long Course: North wind (all marks to port): N U W N M E N
South wind (all marks to starboard): N W U N E M N

Short Course: North wind (all marks to port): N M W N 2
South wind (all marks to starboard): N W M N 2

7. **Time Limit**: The time limit for this race is 6.0 hours. Refer to the GSI for instructions concerning cancellations, postponements, and time extensions.



- 8. **Communication:** The race committee will utilize VHF channel 72 for on water communications. A failure by the race committee to issue a communication, the failure of a competitor to hear the communication, or any other issues regarding the communication shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9. **Special Rules:** All competitors must wear a personal flotation device while racing. Single handed competitors must wear a safety harness with tether. Self-steering devices are allowed for this race.
- 9. **Skippers' Meeting**: Skippers meeting will be online at 7:00 pm Friday, September 8th. It will be possible to attend either online or via telephone. Meeting details will be available on the race webpage. The STYC GSIs are available on the STYC website. If there are questions, email <a href="mailto:race@styc.org">race@styc.org</a>.
- 10. **Awards**: Awards will be announced on the plaza in front of the Port of Seattle building at Shilshole Bay Marina following the race (approximately 1730). (Unless otherwise communicated by Race Committee, the PRO, or Official STYC Communications.)