

## NOTICE OF RACE/Sailing Instructions Single Handed Race

Saturday, August 26th, 2023 Amended on August 22nd, 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 (PHRF divisions) or unrated boats (Slooper division). 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 is for single handed sailors only.
- 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. **Special Rules:** All competitors must wear a safety harness with tether and personal flotation device while racing. Self-steering devices are allowed for this race.
- 6. Divisions and Starting Times: Class breaks and actual start times will be posted on the STYC website (www.styc.org) by 1800 the Friday before the race. Slooper, NFS and FS will be separate Divisions. GPS time is your official start time. The Race Committee will make no sound or flag signals during the start sequence except for OCS or delays. All boats with PHRF Ratings, regardless of division or class, will start in reverse order based on the Time on Distance handicapping method. The slowest rated boat(s) will start first and the fastest rated boat(s) will start last. Approximate start times are listed below. The Slooper division will start at 10:50:00 GPS time.

PHRF RATING	STARTING TIME
0	11:44:45
60	11:34:00
120	11:23:16
180	11:12:32
250	11:00:00
Slooper	10:50:00



7. **Race Distance and Course**: The full course is 10.739 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.

Long Course: North wind (all marks to port): N R W N

South wind (all marks to starboard): N W R 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

- 8. **Time Limit**: The time limit for this race is 1700 hours, there are no exceptions.. Refer to the GSI for instructions concerning cancellations, postponements, and time extensions.
- 9. **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. **Skippers' Meeting**: Skippers meeting will be online at 1900 Friday, August 25th. 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 at the Sloop Tavern at 1900. All STYC events will be held in alignment with CDC guidelines and local guidelines. If guidelines change and STYC decides to cancel in-person awards, skippers will be notified via email.