



2017 HYC Spring Series

March 12, March 26, April 2, 2017
The Houston Yacht Club
Shoreacres, Texas

NOTICE OF RACE

1. RULES

- (a) The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (2017-2020).
- (b) 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 "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- (a) The regatta is open to all HYC members, their families, and guests.
- (b) The regatta is open to all classes.
- (c) A minimum of two yachts of the same design will constitute a class.
- (d) A class of fewer than the required number of entries will be regarded as having failed to form and may be assigned to another line.
- (e) Potential classes may be One Design, PHRF Spin, PHRF Non-Spin, Pursuit Spin and Pursuit Non-Spin.
- (f) Boats may enter by checking in with the Race Committee on the Signal Boat in the starting area by hailing their sail number.
 - i. Pursuit boats must hail their sail number, handicap, and intended spin or non-spin class.

3. FEES

There are no fees!

4. SCHEDULE

- (a) **Sunday, March 12, March 26, and April 2, 2017:** Skipper's meeting at 11:00 a.m. at the Beachcomber. There will be no racing signals before 1:00 p.m.
- (b) One Design Fleets will be given two starts per day in the series.
- (c) The Pursuit Line will have one race per day in the series.

5. MEASUREMENTS

Yachts racing PHRF MUST have a current PHRF rating certificate. Yachts racing One Design will comply with all requirements of the relevant class association.

- 6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**
The final sailing instructions will be distributed at the Skipper's Meeting on March 12th, 2017. They will also be posted on the official notice board "HYC Race Information" located in the breezeway adjacent to the HYC Office and posted on the HYC Website - under Race Schedule.
- 7. VENUE**
All races will be sailed in the vicinity of the Houston Yacht Club in that part of Galveston Bay bounded by Morgan's Point on the North, the Bayport Ship Channel on the south, the Houston Ship Channel on the East, and the La Porte/Shoreacres shoreline.
- 8. THE COURSES**
The One Design Fleet(s) will race around floating marks and the Pursuit Classes will race around fixed marks and floating marks.
- 9. SCORING**
A single race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 10. AFTER-RACE SOCIAL EVENTS**
All competitors are invited to pack some appetizers and join us for frosty cold beverages courtesy of the Race Committee!
- 11. PRIZES**
Trophies will be awarded after the third race of the series in the HYC Club Bar.
- 12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**
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.
- 13. FURTHER INFORMATION**
For further information, please contact the Race and Regatta Chair Madonna Breen (mbreen@embarqmail.com)