



Seattle Yacht Club

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Seattle Match Race Invitational Regatta

June 22-23, 2013

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Appendix C applies.
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to the following rules shall apply: 34, 40, 48.1, 56, 60, 61.4, 63.2, 63.4, 64.3(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 82, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix R and T. The text of these prescriptions is located at raceadmin.ussailing.org/rules/prescriptions.
- 1.3 Other changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions. If the Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions are in conflict, the Sailing Instructions shall have precedence.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Invited teams are eligible to enter. Teams must be represented by a skipper who will helm their boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency. The skipper may receive or request to receive an invitation from the organizing authority. Up to eight teams may be accepted.
- 2.2 Competitors must have "ISAF Eligibility" as defined by ISAF Regulation 19.4 and be registered as an "ISAF Sailor" on the ISAF website at www.sailing.org.
- 2.3 Skippers must register online at the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org, or by form delivered to Seattle Yacht Club, and pay appropriate fees by the registration deadline. Registration after the deadline may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority and may require an additional late fee.
- 2.4 Competitors may be required to complete a release of liability and hold harmless agreement. Skippers under 18 years of age must be registered by their parent or guardian and the parent or guardian of any competitor under 18 years of age must complete a parent or guardian consent form, a release of liability and hold harmless agreement, at check in.
- 2.5 Teams must check in at the race office on Friday or Saturday before the first race. Competitors are advised to complete check in on Friday. The following must be confirmed or presented at check in:
 - (a) Crew list,
 - (b) ISAF Sailor ID for each crew member,
 - (c) Crew weight as measured at check in,
 - (d) Guardian consent form for crew under 18,
 - (e) Registration fee and damage deposit.

- 2.6 Boats may be required to display bow numbers and advertising supplied by the organizing authority. Boats may not display advertising supplied by a competitor.
- 2.7 Competitors give absolute right and permission for images and video of themselves and their boat to be published for commercial purposes by the event organizing authority and sponsors and their licensees and may be required to sign a release.

3 REGISTRATION FEES AND DEPOSITS

- 3.1 The registration fee is US\$360.
- 3.2 An initial damage deposit of US\$1500 shall be tendered at registration.
- 3.3 The registration deadline is June 17, 2013 (Monday). Late registrations may be assessed a late fee of US\$40.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The schedule is as follows:

Friday (June 21)

1730 – 1930	Check in
1930	Welcome briefing
1945	Umpire briefing for competitors

Saturday

0800 – 0900	Late check in
0900	Competitors meeting
1015	Scheduled time of first signal
After racing	Debrief meeting

Sunday

0900	Competitors meeting
1015	Scheduled time of first signal
After racing	Debrief meeting and awards

5 RACING INFORMATION

- 5.1 The event will be ISAF Grade 4 depending on attendance. This grading is subject to review by the ISAF Match Race Advisory Board.
- 5.2 The regatta will be sailed out of Seattle Yacht Club. The racing area is Lake Washington and Lake Union.
- 5.3 The courses will be windward/leeward with rounding marks to starboard and downwind finishes.
- 5.4 Races will be sailed in J/22 boats provided by the organizing authority. Mainsail, jib, and spinnaker will be provided for each boat. J/22 class rules do not apply.



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Competitors may not alter the boats or adjust shrouds or forestay length. Other requirements and restrictions may be included in the sailing instructions.

- 5.5 Results will be determined by a double round robin. The race committee may change the format, terminate, or eliminate any round when conditions may not permit the completion of the intended format. The race committee will provide pairing tables that assign teams to boats for each race. Boat assignment shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 5.6 Each boat will be supplied with a code flag "Y", a red protest flag, a green breakdown flag, and both yellow and blue identification flags.
- 5.7 The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three or four. All registered crew shall sail all races. The maximum total crew weight determined prior to racing at check in shall be 262.5 kg when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- 5.8 When a registered skipper is unable to continue racing in the event the race committee may authorize an original crew member to substitute. When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the race committee may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.
- 5.9 No coach or support boats will be allowed.

6 RESPONSIBILITY

- 6.1 Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- 6.2 Competitors may be required to rig and unrig boats and move them between the moorage and the sailing area selected by the race committee.
- 6.3 Each skipper is responsible for the boat and crew under their command and for damage they cause to their boat or other boats. If there is damage to a boat, including a part thereof, supplied by the organizing authority, the organizing authority will determine the value of the damage and assign responsibility to one or more skippers to be paid out of the damage deposit. The damage deposit shall be the maximum payable by

the skipper as a result of any one such incident. If the damage deposit is assigned to pay for damage, the organizing authority shall decide if the skipper's team may continue in the regatta and if the damage deposit must be restored to the original amount. Damages not attributable to specific teams will be deducted equally from all damage deposits. An accounting of damage expenditures will be forwarded to each team charged for damage. No unassigned deposit funds or information will be retained past 30 days following the completion of the event.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available by the Thursday before the regatta from the Seattle Yacht Club web site at www.seattleyachtclub.org or, if not available from the web site, on the notice board at the Seattle Yacht Club south entrance, and at check in.

8 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

- 8.1 Party schedule after racing each day:

Friday	Reception at SYC Heritage Room (no host)
Saturday	Snacks during debrief
Sunday	Snacks and bring your own refreshments

- 8.2 Modest performance awards will be presented at the awards party.

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