



Seattle Yacht Club

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Grand Prix Regatta XLVI

October 27-29, 2023

Notice of Race

1 RULES

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2 The prescriptions of US Sailing to the following rules shall apply: 25.1, 32, 34, 60.3, 61.4, 63.1, 63.2, 64.4(b), 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, 81, 86.3, 88.2, Appendix G and R. These prescriptions are available from the US Sailing website at www.ussailing.org.
- 1.3 Other changes to the rules may be noted elsewhere in the Notice of Race or Sailing Instructions.
- 1.4 Prior to the publication of the Sailing Instructions, changes to the Notice of Race will be available from the Seattle Yacht Club website at www.seattleyachtclub.org or on the notice board at the Seattle Yacht Club south entrance.

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 Classes to race are ORC, PHRF-NW, Multihulls, and any One-Design keelboats of at least 24 feet with at least five boats. Monohull and multihull boats will race in separate classes.
- 2.2 Competitors must register online on the Seattle Yacht Club website [Regattas](#) page and pay appropriate fees by the registration deadline. Registration after the deadline may be accepted at the discretion of the organizing authority.
- 2.6 A boat wishing to use sails with identification different from her own must notify and receive permission from the organizing authority by the registration deadline. This changes RRS 77.
- 2.7 All boats shall have a valid PHRF-NW certificate, or a valid ORC Certificate. Boats shall be in the configuration indicated on their certificate. A boat racing in a handicap class must ensure that her correct rating is issued and recorded by the registration deadline. Boats registering without a valid certificate will not be entered or scored.
- 2.8 Boats shall sail with the same rating for the entire regatta.
- 2.9 A boat rated by her handicap class in consideration of water ballast may use water ballast as rated. This changes RRS 51.

3 REGISTRATION FEES

- 3.1 The registration fee is as follows based on boat length:

Registration Fee (based on boat length):

Under 30':	\$195
30' to under 40':	\$265
40' and over:	\$335

Each crew member is invited to the Friday, Saturday and Sunday post-race events as detailed in NOR 4.

Seats for guests for the Sunday Awards Dinner and Party can be purchased for \$30. The Sunday party includes dinner, free beer, and awards presentation.

- 3.2 The registration deadline to enter without the Late Fee is the Wednesday before the regatta at 1159 PST. After this time a \$30 Late Fee will be charged for each registration.

4 SCHEDULE

- 4.1 The schedule is as follows:

Friday

1000 – 1130	Check in at Corinthian Yacht Club
1300	First warning signal
1700	No warning signal after this time
After racing	Social at CYC

Saturday

1030	First warning signal
1700	No warning signal after this time
After racing	Social at CYC

Sunday

1030	First warning signal
1600	No warning signal after this time
1800	Awards Dinner Party at Seattle Yacht Club.

5 RACING AND SCORING INFORMATION

- 5.1 The racing area is Puget Sound north of Alki Pt. and south of Pt. Wells. The starting line will be in the vicinity of Shilshole Bay or the area north of Meadow Point.
- 5.2 Multiple races may be sailed each day. The Race Committee will have discretion to select between buoy and distance courses based on anticipated conditions.



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The course designations will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

- 5.3 Boats will be scored in class.
- 5.4 Corrected times for PHRF Northwest classes will be calculated using the Time on Time method as defined by PHRF Northwest. ORC classes will be scored time on time also.
- 5.5 A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS, OCS), did not finish (DNF), retired (RET), or is disqualified (DSQ, DNE, DGM, BFD, UFD) will be scored the number of finishers plus one. This changes RRS A5.2.
- 5.6 The time limit is the maximum allowable time from each boat's starting signal to her finish time. The time limit will be defined in the Sailing Instructions and will not exceed 8 hours. Boats that do not finish within their time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF). This changes RRS 35.
- 5.7 A boat's series score will be the total of her race scores, except that a boat's worst score will be excluded if five or more races are completed in the series. This changes RRS A2.
- 5.8 One race will constitute a series.

6 OPERATING AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS(DP)

- 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 3, 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 A boat racing must comply with the following equipment requirements:
ISAF Offshore Special Regulations (OSR), without US Sailing prescriptions, according to the category requirement identified below:

Category requirement is **Special Regulations – Inshore** and Appendix B requirements. The text of these regulations is available from the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) at www.sailing.org.

- 6.3 Boats must comply with U.S. Coast Guard regulations.
- 6.4 Boats must be operated in accordance with the Puget Sound Sailboat Safety Regulations, available in the Seattle Yacht Club Sailboat Race Book.
- 6.5 The race committee may inspect a boat any time before or after racing for compliance with requirements.
- 6.6 Vessels equipped with an Automatic Identification System (AIS) shall broadcast their position while racing.
- 6.7 Penalties under Notice of Race 6 may be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 64.1.

7 SAILING INSTRUCTION

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available by the Wednesday before the regatta from the Seattle Yacht Club website [Regattas](#) page, on the notice board at the Seattle Yacht Club south entrance, and at check-in on Friday with your race information packets.

8 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS

- 8.1 Social events after racing on Friday and Saturday will be at Corinthian Yacht Club. The big Awards Dinner Party at Seattle Yacht Club will begin at approximately 1800 after racing on Sunday.
- 8.2 Take home trophies will be awarded for the top three boats in each class. Perpetual trophies will be awarded to the top boat in each class.

9 REGATTA CONTACTS

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