

THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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Express 27 National Championship

September 16-18, 2011

NOTICE OF RACE

Organizing Authority: The San Francisco Yacht Club, Belvedere, California

1.0 RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2. RRS 40 will be deleted and replaced with: "Competitors shall wear life jackets or other adequate personal buoyancy while racing." Note that Flag Y will not be displayed.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1 The Regatta is open to all Express 27 boats that have paid their 2011 fleet dues.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at www.sfyc.org and www.express27.org.

3.0 FEES

- 3.1 Entry fee is \$180.00 if received by **September 2, 2011**.
- 3.2 Entry fee is \$210.00 if received after **September 2, 2011**.
- 3.3 Late registration must be submitted by **9:00 AM Friday, September 16, 2011**.

4.0 MEASUREMENT

- 4.1 All boats must conform to class measurement requirements and weight restrictions.
- 4.2 All crewmembers shall weigh in. Weigh in times are:
 - Thursday, September 15 between 4:30pm and 8:00pm
 - Friday, September 16 between 8:00am and 9:30am
- 4.3 We will provide one off weigh-ins each day for one-day sailors. The fleet measurer must approve all crew substitutions and weights.
- 4.4 All boats must return to The San Francisco Yacht Club after Friday and Saturday's races and are required to remain in the water from the beginning of racing on Friday through the last race on Sunday, unless the PRO has approved a written request for haul out.

5.0 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5.1 Thursday, **September 15th**
 - 4:30pm-8:00pm Late Registration and Crew Weigh-in at SFYC Sailing Center
- 5.2 Friday, **September 16th**
 - 8:00am-9:30am - Late Registration and Crew Weigh-in at SFYC Sailing Center
 - 11:25am – Race 1 First Warning Signal; Races Two and Three to Follow
 - 5:00pm - National Fleet Meeting at SFYC Cove House with hors d'oeuvres and beer provided
- 5.3 Saturday, **September 17th**
 - 10:55am - Warning Signal for Long-Distance Race
 - After Racing BBQ and Keg Party on SFYC deck
 - Registration fee includes 2 dinner tickets. Additional BBQ tickets at \$18 each may be purchased at the event.

5.4 Sunday, **September 18th**

- 10:55am – First Warning Signal, Remaining Races to Follow
- After racing - Trophy Presentation on SFYC deck with hors d'oeuvres and beer

5.5 Beers provided by our sponsors Santa Cruz Sails, KKMI and Quantum Sails.

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6.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available on-line at www.sfyc.org, www.express27.org, and at the SFYC Bar area by 6pm on Friday, September 9, 2011.

7.0 RACE AREA

- 7.1 Friday September 16, 2011: 3 windward/leeward buoy races in the Knox Buoy area.
- 7.2 Saturday September 17, 2011: 1 long-distance race starting in the Knox Buoy area and finishing in Raccoon Strait.
- 7.3 Sunday September 18, 2011: 3 windward/leeward buoy races in the Knox Buoy area.
- 7.4 The Race Committee reserves the right to change the race areas based on conditions

8.0 SCORING

- 8.1 One race shall constitute a series
- 8.2 Seven races are scheduled and no races will be excluded in a boat's final score.

9.0 COMMUNICATIONS

The race committee may use VHF radio to communicate information about the racing.

10.0 ARBITRATION

Arbitration will be in effect for protests involving a rule of RRS Part 2.

11.0 PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded for 1st through 5th Place. **1st through 3rd Place will also be awarded Musto gift certificates redeemable at Pineapple Sails. 1st-\$200, 2nd-\$150, 3rd-\$50. A Big Thank You to our Sponsors, Pineapple Sails and Musto!**

12.0 BERTHING

Berthing will be available at The San Francisco Yacht Club guest docks from Thursday, September 15th through Monday, September 19th. Boats requiring use of the hoist should contact Paul Mourani at pmourani@gmail.com or Dave Carrel at david@carrel.net to make arrangements.

13.0 PARKING

Parking in the SFYC lot will be restricted during the regatta. We will issue two parking passes per boat, to go on vehicles or trailers. Passes and offsite parking maps may be picked up at the SFYC Front Desk on Thursday, September 15th or at the lot on Friday, September 16th.

14.0 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.

15.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

For additional info please contact race chairs, Paul Mourani and Dave Carrel at pmourani@gmail.com and david@carrel.net, or the SFYC Race Office at 415-789-5647 or race@sfyc.org.

We would like to thank our event sponsors, Santa Cruz Sails, KKMI, Pineapple Sails/Musto and Quantum Sail Design Group.

