

# THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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## **2014 Express 27 National Championship** **August 29-31, 2014**

### **NOTICE OF RACE**

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

#### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 This regatta will be governed by the 'rules' as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), and the Express 27 class rules.
- 1.2 Appendix T Section A (PENALTIES WHILE RACING) shall apply.
- 1.3 Appendix T Section B (POST RACE PENALTIES) shall apply.
- 1.4 RRS 40 is deleted and replaced with, "Competitors shall wear personal flotation devices, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices."

#### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all Express 27 boats that have paid their 2014 fleet dues.
- 2.2 Eligible boats shall be entered by completing online registration at [www.sfyc.org](http://www.sfyc.org), under "On the Water>Racing>Schedule."

#### **3. FEES**

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$180 if registration is received by 1700 hours on August 15, 2014. After this time there will be a \$40 late fee. The entry fee includes one ticket to the regatta reception. Additional tickets may be purchased during the registration process.
- 3.2 Boats may register for and race only the distance race. The entry fee for this race is \$40.
- 3.3 Registration will close at 2000 hours on August 28, 2014.

#### **4. SCHEDULE**

Thursday, Aug 28 1630-2000: Late registration, check-in, and weigh-in (Sailing Center)

Friday, Aug 29 0800-0900: Weigh-in (Sailing Center)  
0930: Skippers' Meeting (Main deck)  
1130: First warning signal, races 2 and 3 to follow race 1  
Beer and snacks on the Corinthian deck after racing  
1800: Express 27 annual class meeting (Sailing Center)

Saturday, Aug 30 1130: Warning signal for race 4  
Distance race to follow  
Regatta reception and party after racing in the Cove House

Sunday, Aug 31 1130: Warning signal for race 6, race 7 to follow race 6  
1500: No starts to take place after this time  
Beer, snacks, and trophy presentation at the Cove House after racing

Beer will be provided by Trumer Pils, SFYC Race Program Beer Sponsor.

## **5. MEASUREMENTS**

- 5.1 All boats must conform to class measurement requirements and weight restrictions.
- 5.2 All crewmembers shall weigh in. Weigh-in times are:
  - Thursday, August 28 between 1630 and 2000 hours
  - Friday, August 29 between 0800 and 0900 hours
- 5.3 One off weigh-ins will be available each day for one-day sailors. The fleet measurer must approve all crew substitutions and weights.
- 5.4 All boats must return to The San Francisco Yacht Club after Friday and Saturday's races.

## **6. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing instructions will be available after 1700 hours on August 27, 2014, at The San Francisco Yacht Club and on the website, [www.sfyc.org](http://www.sfyc.org).

## **7. VENUE**

The racecourse for all races except the distance race will be in the vicinity of the northern Berkeley Circle. The distance race on Saturday will start in vicinity of the northern Berkeley Circle and finish in the vicinity of Knox Shoal, with the course in the central bay.

## **8. THE COURSES**

The courses will be windward-leeward type courses, with the exception of the distance race, and will be described in the sailing instructions.

## **9. SCORING**

- 9.1 Seven races are scheduled, of which three must be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 Scoring will use the Low Point System of Appendix A.
- 9.3 A boat's series score will be total of her race scores.

## **10. BERTHING**

- 10.1 While in the water boats shall be kept at the SFYC guest docks, unless assigned another berth by an SFYC regatta representative.
- 10.2 The south end of the SFYC parking lot will be available for trailers from August 25 to September 2, 2014.

## **11. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS**

All boats 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.

## **12. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS**

- 12.1 Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile phones.
- 12.2 The Race Committee may communicate information about the regatta via VHF 65.

## **13. PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers. The Express 27 Nationals Perpetual trophy will be awarded to the winner of the regatta.

## **14. 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. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid adequate third-party liability insurance.

**16. PARKING**

Parking in the SFYC lot will be restricted during the regatta. Two parking passes will be issued per boat. Passes may be picked up at the SFYC Race Office, located in the parking lot, on August 28 or 29.

**17. FURTHER INFORMATION**

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