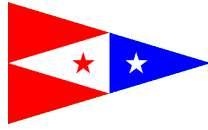


THE SAN FRANCISCO YACHT CLUB



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2018 EXPRESS 27 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

October 5-7

NOTICE OF RACE

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

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2 Rule 40 is changed as follows: All competitors shall wear personal flotation devices while racing, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment. Flag Y will not be displayed.
- 1.3 Appendix V1 (PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT) shall apply.
- 1.4 The sailing instructions may change additional racing rules.

2 ELIGIBILITY and ENTRY

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Express 27 class that are in compliance with the class rules and have paid their 2018 class dues.
- 2.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online registration found at www.sfyc.org under On the Water > Regatta Schedule.
- 2.3 No entries will be accepted after October 3.

3 FEES

- 3.1 The entry fee is \$200.00 if received on or before September 21.
- 3.2 The entry fee is \$250.00 if received after September 21.
- 3.3 Boats may enter the long-distance race only, for an entry fee of \$50.

4 MEASUREMENT

- 4.1 All boats shall conform to class measurement requirements and weight restrictions.
- 4.2 All crewmembers shall be weighed. Weigh-in times are:
 - Thursday, October 4: 1700 and 2000 hours.
 - Friday, October 5: 0800 and 0930 hours.
 - “One off” weigh-ins will be provided each day for one-day sailors. The fleet measurer must approve all crew substitutions and weights.

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, October 4

- 1630-2000 hours: Check In and Crew Weigh-in at SFYC Sailing Center

Friday, October 5

- 0800-0900 hours: Late Check In and Crew Weigh-in at SFYC Sailing Center
- 0930 hours: Skippers' Meeting on SFYC deck
- 1130 hours: First warning signal; Long-Distance race to follow one buoy race
- 1800 hours: Owners' Meeting at SFYC Sailing Center with snacks and beer. Beer on the deck for all others.

Saturday, October 6

- 1100 hours: First warning signal; three races scheduled
- Nationals Reception/BBQ after racing at SFYC

Sunday, October 7

- 1100 hours: First warning signal, remaining races to follow
- No warning signal will be made after 1500 hours
- After racing: Trophy presentation on SFYC deck with snacks and beer

6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available online at www.sfyc.org, and at the SFYC Bar area by 1600 hours on October 3.

7 VENUE AND COURSES

- 7.1 All windward/leeward style buoy races will be in the vicinity of the Berkeley Circle.
- 7.2 The long-distance race will start in the vicinity of the Berkeley Circle and may go to Pt. Bonita and/or around standard YRA marks in the central bay.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

Unless the course is shortened at the windward mark, penalties for incidents that take place while in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible after rounding the offset mark. This changes RRS 44.2.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 3 races must be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.2 7 races are scheduled, and a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. No scores will be excluded.

10 BERTHING

Berthing will be available at The San Francisco Yacht Club guest docks from Thursday, October 4 through Monday, October 8. Boats may use the SFYC hoists to launch and retrieve boats, and trailers may be stored in the SFYC parking lot at the direction of the Harbormaster and Director of Sailing.

11 HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

All boats shall 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.

12 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 12.1 Competitors should monitor VHF USA channel 65A for on the water communication by the race committee.
- 12.2 Except in an emergency, or when retiring from a race, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

13 PRIZES

- 13.1 Trophies will be awarded for 1st through 5th place.
- 13.2 The Express 27 National Championship Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the top finishing boat.

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 FURTHER INFORMATION

SFYC Race Office: race@sfyc.org - 415-789-5647
PRO: Julie Wiard - jwiard@me.com

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 Race Office on Thursday, or at the parking lot entrance on Friday morning.

SOCIAL

Beer and snacks will be provided each day after racing.
3 BBQ tickets will be included with each entry. Additional tickets may be purchased online at registration.