



# 2022 ADMIRAL'S CUP

Houston, Texas, USA  
April 25<sup>th</sup> to April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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**The Organizing Authority is the Houston Yacht Club.**

# NOTICE OF RACE

This Notice of Race (NOR) is dated October 20, 2021

## 1. RULES

- 1.1 This regatta shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

## 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Competitor advertising shall comply with RRS 80 and ISAF Regulation 20.
- 2.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority.

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Competitors shall comply with World Sailing Eligibility Code, Regulation 19.
- 3.2 All United States (US) competitors shall be fully paid members of the U.S. A-Class Catamaran Association (USACA).
- 3.3 Boats may compete in either the Open or the Classic Discipline.
- 3.4 Entries shall be received by the Organizing Authority no later than March 8, 2022. Requests to register after the online registration is closed are subject to approval by the Organizing Authority.
- 3.5 Competitors may register by visiting:  
<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/23423>
- 3.6 A Parent/Guardian Consent and Supervision Form must be completed and signed by the parent or guardian of any competitor under the age of 18 and handed in at registration.
- 3.7 Requests for refunds will be accepted prior to March 1, 2022, with a \$35 USD processing fee.

## 4. FEES

- An Entry Fee of \$250 USD, if payment is received on or before January 8, 2022.
- Additional social event tickets may be purchased for \$50 USD per person.
- An Entry Fee received after January 8, 2022, shall be subject to a late fee of \$100 USD (total \$350 USD).
- The deadline for all entries is March 8, 2022.

## **5. FORMAT OF RACING**

- 5.1 The Open Discipline and the Classic Discipline will race in separate fleets.

## **6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

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|-----|---------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 6.1 | Monday, April 25    | 0900 – 1700 | Registration                |
|     | Tuesday, April 26   | 1030        | Competitors Briefing        |
|     |                     | 1230        | Racing                      |
|     | Wednesday, April 27 | 1100        | Racing                      |
|     | Thursday, April 28  | 1100        | Racing & Trophies to follow |
- 6.2 On Thursday, April 28, there will be no warning signal after 1500 hours.
- 6.3 A total of 6 races are scheduled for each Discipline, of which a minimum of 1 race shall constitute a regatta for each Discipline.
- 6.4 No more than 2 races for each Discipline may be sailed per day.
- 6.5 When more than 4 races are completed, a competitor may discard their worst score.

## **7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 7.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available on the event website by April 15, 2022.

## **8. VENUE**

- 8.1 The Admiral's Cup will be held at the Houston Yacht Club, located at 3620 Miramar Drive, Shoreacres, Texas, 77571, USA. <https://houstonyachtclub.com>
- 8.2 The racing will be on the waters of Galveston Bay, approximately 1-2 miles east-northeast of the Houston Yacht Club.

## **9. THE COURSES**

- 9.1 The courses to be sailed will be Windward/Leeward courses as detailed in the Sailing Instructions. The distance from start to Mark 1 will be at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.
- 9.2 Disciplines will race either on separate course areas or with separate races on the same course area.

**10. PENALTY SYSTEM**

10.1 RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by a One-Turn Penalty.

**11. SCORING**

11.1 The Low Points Scoring System of RRS Appendix A will apply.

**12. SUPPORT BOATS**

12.1 Support boats shall register with the Organizing Authority on arrival and will be required to comply with all local safety regulations and the Event Support Boat Regulations. Team support boats/coach boats shall complete on-site registration at the venue.

12.2 If called upon, support boats will be required to act as rescue boats.

**13. PRIZES**

13.1 Prizes for the Admiral's Cup will be awarded for the first 5 places overall in both the Open and Classic Discipline fleets.

13.2 Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

**14. RADIO COMMUNICATION**

14.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmissions that are not available to all boats.

**15. INSURANCE**

15.1 Each participating boat shall have valid, third-party liability insurance with a minimum of at least \$1,000,000 USD (or equivalent) per incident.

**16. RISK STATEMENT**

16.1 By signing an entry form, each competitor agrees and acknowledges the following:

- a) That they are participating in this regatta at their own risk;

- b) That the Organizing Authority, all sponsors, all race committee members, and volunteers, all officers and directors of Houston Yacht Club and the USACA are not responsible for any and all damages, injuries or death which may result in conjunction with this regatta, onshore or afloat;
- c) That they will put safety of themselves and other competitors above race results;
- d) That they will accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent it is caused by their own actions or omissions; and,
- e) Ensure their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in this regatta, and that they are physically fit to participate.

## **17. MEDIA CONSENT**

17.1 By signing an entry form, all competitors agree to and grant the Organizing Authority, the IACA, the USACA, and their agents and sponsors, the right in perpetuity to photograph and/or videotape participation in the regatta, or at the regatta facilities, and to the use of their name, likeness, and images, without compensation and without the competitor's prior approval.

### **Event Contact Information:**

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