



2023 J/105 MIDWINTER REGATTA

NOTICE OF RACE

March 9-12, 2023

Organizing Authority: Bay Access
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1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the J/105 Class Association Rules (CR).
- 1.2. The regatta is designated by the J/105 Executive Committee as an International Event and is categorized as Level A1 in accordance with CR 3.4 and 3.6.
- 1.3. US SAILING prescriptions to rules 60, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4. RRS 62.2 and RRS 66 will be changed to shorten the time on the last day of racing for requesting redress and for requesting that a hearing be re-opened.
- 1.5. Any Center for Disease Control (CDC) or State of Texas guidelines in effect with respect to Covid-19 shall be strictly followed.

2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1. The regatta is open to all boats of the J/105 Class that conform to the CR.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing and providing all of the following:
 - 3.2.1. Online Entry Form:
<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=15736>
 - 3.2.2. Copies of the following documentation:
 - 3.2.2.1. Certified J/105 Class Weight Certificate
 - 3.2.2.2. Complete list of sails and associated sail tag numbers to be used in the regatta. Regatta sail inventory can be submitted online during registration using the Sail Declaration Module of Yacht Scoring website.
 - 3.2.2.3. Complete list of competitors (skippers and crew) participating on the boat in the regatta. Competitor registration can also be submitted during registration on the Yacht Scoring website.
 - 3.2.2.4. Proof of Insurance
 - 3.2.3. Paying the required entry fee based on the fee schedule defined below in **Section 5, Fees.**



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- 3.3. Entries will only be considered complete when ALL entry requirements are satisfied.
- 3.4. Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: a late entry and an onsite entry fee will be imposed according to the schedule outlined below in Section 5, **Fees**.
- 3.5. The entry fee includes invitations to all social events for the 6 members on each boat. Additional social packages for crew or family members will be available for purchase.
- 3.6. For non-LYC boats, dockage will be available at LYC at no charge from 1600 March 3, 2023 through 1200 on March 19, 2023.

4. CLASSIFICATION
 - 4.1. The World Sailing 22, Sailor Categorization Code will apply. See www.sailing.org/sailors/isafsailor/
 - 4.2. All competitors (skippers and crew) will be required to provide their World Sailing Sailor ID during registration to verify their World Sailing Sailor Classification on yachtscoring.com.

5. FEES
 - 5.1. The Early entry fee will be US\$140 for complete entries received and paid for by 1700, February 25, 2023. The entry fee will be US\$240 for completed entries between 1701 February 25, 2023 – 1700 March 7, 2023.
 - 5.2. No entries will be accepted after 1700 March 7, 2023.
 - 5.3. All entries, fees and registrations are final and non-refundable.

6. SCHEDULE
 - 6.1. The Competitors Briefing will be at 1900 on Thursday March 9, 2023 at Lakewood Yacht Club located at 2322 Lakewood Yacht Club Drive, Seabrook, TX 77586.
 - 6.2. Racing is scheduled to begin on Friday, March 10, and continue through Sunday, March 12, 2023. The harbor start is suggested for 0900 each day. Scheduled time of the first warning signal for each day is 1030.



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- 6.3. A maximum of 10 races are scheduled. No race will be started after 1400 on Sunday, March 12, 2023.
- 6.4. Three races shall be completed to constitute the regatta.

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| Thursday, March 9 | 1300 – 1700 | Boat Inspection |
| | 1700 – 1900 | Competitor weigh-in |
| | 1800 - 1900 | Check-in / Competitor weigh-in |
| | 1900 | Competitors' Meeting & Opening Ceremony |
| Friday, March 10 | 0700 - 0830 | Lunch pick-up, Boat Inspection, Registration & competitor weigh-in - All registration requirements must be completed by 0830. |
| | 1030 | Warning Signal for first race, additional races to follow |
| | 1700 | Post-race social (A dock potluck) & Daily Trophies |
| Saturday, March 11 | 0730 - 0830 | Lunch pick-up; Coffee & pastries |
| | 1030 | Warning Signal for first race, additional races to follow |
| | 1900 | Post-race social (A dock potluck) & Daily Trophies |
| Sunday, March 12 | 0730 - 0830 | Lunch pick-up; Coffee & pastries |
| | 1030 | Warning Signal for first race, additional races to follow |
| | 1400 | No Warning signal after 1400 |
| | 1600 (approx.) | Awards Presentation; Daily Trophies and Farewell Social |

7. MEASUREMENTS
- 7.1. Boats and sails to be inspected will be selected and conducted by the Class Measurer or his designee beginning March 9, 1300 - 1700. **Inspections will be limited to safety equipment, weight certificate, and sail tag number checks.** Boats and sails must be available for inspection beginning 1300 March 9, 2023.



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- 7.2. Crew weigh-in will be March 9 1700 – 1900. Late crew weigh-in will be March 10 0700 - 0830 at Lakewood Yacht Club. Failure to weigh in within the prescribed time limit may result in a boat being scored DNC for all races sailed any day(s) if any of a boat's competitors have not weighed in.
- 7.3. In addition to the inspections and measurements listed elsewhere, any boat, its content and sails may be inspected or measured at any time during the regatta and until one hour after the protest time limit Sunday, March 12 as the result of a protest or upon the initiative of the Class Measurer or his designee or request of the Race Committee or Protest Committee.
- 7.4. Changes or substitution of sails listed as those intended to be used in the regatta (including sails that are lost, damaged beyond repair or destroyed) may only be made with the written consent of the Race Committee.
- 7.5. Additions, changes or substitution of crew may only be made with the written consent of the Race Committee. Copies of crew lists for all boats will be available for inspection during Crew Weigh-in. Changes to crew lists will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at Lakewood Yacht Club. Alternate crew is allowed provided the crew has been listed, signed the waiver and weighed in.
- 7.6. Bow numbers may be assigned by the Race Committee and given to each participating boat at Registration. If so provided, they shall be affixed to the hull according to the instructions provided by the organizing authority or in the Sailing Instructions.
- 7.7. Launching and retrieval will be available prior to and after the regatta at Seabrook Shipyard.
8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
 - 8.1. Sailing Instructions will be available at Check-in and posted to the regatta website prior to Check-in. In the event of a discrepancy between sailing instructions posted on the official notice board and online, the version of sailing instructions posted on the official notice board shall control.
9. VENUE
 - 9.1. All races will be held in Galveston Bay at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.



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- 9.2. Attachment 1 shows the location of the racing area. Additional information to be provided during the Competitor's Briefing.
10. THE COURSES
- 10.1. The courses to be sailed will be a Windward / Leeward configuration as described in the Sailing Instructions. The Race Committee may utilize a weather offset mark and leeward gate marks.
11. PENALTY SYSTEM
- 11.1. After a hearing and a finding of a violation by the Protest Committee, a boat's failure to comply with the crew weight limitation set forth in CR 7.1 or the provisions set forth in Paragraph 7.2, above, will result in the boat being scored DNC in each race for the day(s) in which the infraction occurred.
- 11.2. A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty in accordance with RRS 44.2 when the boat may have broken a rule of Part 2 of RRS unless the incident occurred within the zone of any mark, in which case the Two-Turns Penalty applies. This changes RRS 44.1.
- 11.3. Alternatively, a boat may accept a Scoring Penalty as described in RRS 44.3. The Scoring Penalty shall be **20%** of the boats entered unless the incident occurred within the zone of any mark, in which case the scoring penalty shall be **40%** of the boats entered. This changes RRS 44.3.
- 11.4. The sailing instructions will provide for filing of protests on paper or electronically. Competitors are encouraged to download the new Racing Rules App from www.ussailing.org, which provides a template for online protest filings. Protest hearings may be conducted online through Zoom.
12. SCORING
- 12.1. The scoring system is the Low Point System. Each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. No scores will be excluded. This changes RRS A2.1.
- 12.2. Ten races are scheduled. Three completed races are required to constitute the regatta.



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13. SUPPORT BOATS

- 13.1. Support boats and tenders shall be marked with boat's name or sail number clearly visible on each side.
- 13.2. Support boats and tenders will not be allowed on the race course and must comply with CR 7.10.
- 13.3. The Sailing Instructions may further limit the activities of support boats so as to not interfere with the conduct of the regatta. Competitors are reminded of RRS 41.

14. BERTHING

- 14.1. Boats shall be kept in their assigned places in the marina.

15. HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

- 15.1. Boats shall not be hauled out during the regatta except with and according to the terms of prior written permission of the Race Committee, after consultation with the Class Measurer or his designee.
- 15.2. All boats shall be afloat by 1900 on Thursday, March 9, 2023 and shall remain in the water through the end of the regatta, subject to the provisions of 13.1 above.

16. DIVING EQUIPMENT AND PLASTIC POOLS

- 16.1. From 1900 on Thursday, March 9, 2023 until the end of the regatta, plastic pools or their equivalent shall not be used or around boats that are sailing in the regatta.

17. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 17.1. Except in an emergency, 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.
- 17.2. The Race Committee intends to use VHF Channel 69 to broadcast courtesy information to competitors, including OCS hails after starts. These may be more fully described in the Sailing Instructions along with the applicable channels. All boats must carry VHF radios capable of transmitting and receiving on US channels 9, 16, 69, 71, 72, 73 and 78.



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18. PRIZES

- 18.1. Prizes will be given to the skipper and crew of the overall first through third place finishers. Daily First through Third prizes will also be awarded.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3, 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. Each person racing on board a boat entered in the regatta shall sign a waiver for loss, damage or injury to their person or property in conjunction with the regatta or while on the premises of the Lakewood Yacht Club. The Lakewood Yacht Club, the J/105 Class Association, J/105 Fleet 17, and their members, volunteers, employees, officers and agents shall not be responsible for any loss, damage or injury that may occur to person(s) or property whether ashore or at sea as a consequence of the participation of any boat.

20. INSURANCE

- 20.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of US \$300,000 per event or the equivalent. Proof of Insurance shall be considered as part of the Entry Form and must be submitted prior to 1700 on March 8, 2023 for an entry to be complete.

21. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 21.1. Regatta Chair: Bill Mead billmeadtx@icloud.com (713) 962-7984
21.2. Principal Race Officer: Dwight Bengtson dwight.bengtson@comcast.net (832) 457-5154



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ATTACHMENT #1

