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2023 REGATTA SERIES

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St. Petersburg Yacht Club
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St. Petersburg, FL

<https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series/>

The 2023 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series (HHSWRS) includes: St. Pete (Feb 17-19), San Diego (March 17-19), Annapolis (May 5-7), Chicago (June 9-11), and Marblehead (July 27-30).

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta is Sailing World in cooperation with the St. Petersburg Yacht Club (SPYC).

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in this Notice of Race means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- 1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).
- 1.2** For the J70 Class: Class Rules Part III Sections I.3 (Support Boat) and I.4 (Corinthian Division) will apply. [DP]
- 1.3** The ORC Rules (found at www.orc.org/rules) will apply for ORC classes.
- 1.4** The US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.1 and 63.2 shall not apply.
- 1.5** RRS Rule 55, prohibiting the practice of allowing bands on spinnakers to fall in the water (even if the material used is biodegradable), will be in effect.
- 1.6** For the J/88 Class: Competitors are not required to carry all of the sails described in C.R. 5.3. However, once a competitor leaves shore for the final time before the first race of the day, no sail may be added, removed or substituted during the event unless it is lost or damaged beyond what could reasonably be repaired overnight. In this case the sail may be replaced with the same type (as defined in C.R. Appendix A) for subsequent days.

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1** Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board no later than Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at 1700.
- 2.2** Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the race website at <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=15504>. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.

3. COMMUNICATION

- 3.1** The Official Notice Board [ONB] is online <https://yachtscoring.com/emenue.cfm?eID=15504>
- 3.2** [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule.
- 3.3** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the SIs.



3.4 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The following boats are eligible to enter: a) member of a one-design class association whose class is included, b) boats that meet criteria established by the class coordinator for a level class, c) ORC (buoy), d) PHRF (random leg). A minimum of six boats is required for a class to remain eligible for one-design, level, or rated class. There is a possibility that classes with fewer than 12 boats registered may be started together, but scored separately. The OA reserves the right to invite additional classes at its sole discretion.

4.2 Potential one-design classes: A Class Catamarans (foiling and classic) , F101, J/70, J/24, J/88, J/111, Lightning, L30, Melges 15, Wayfarers, Melges 24, S2 7.9, San Juan 21, Hobie 33, Viper 640, WASZP, and ORC (3-day buoy). PHRF for the (Saturday and Sunday) distance racing division (Performance Cruising). If a class is not listed, please email regattas@sailingworld.com to propose inclusion in the event.

4.3 ORC Spinnaker Class is open to any boat of 20 feet LOA or greater that holds a current valid ORC certificate: A current valid ORC certificate will be the latest valid 2022 ORC certificate. ORC certificates can be applied for at www.orc.org/clubapplication, specifying Sailing World Regatta Series – St Pete as the event name in the application. Applications must be made no later than February 1, 2023.

A boat sailing under ORC shall be assigned to a division and section according to its rating and at the discretion of the organizing authority. All decisions of the OA regarding section

assignments shall be final.

4.4 The regatta is open to those boats whose Owner and/or Skipper is a current member of their National Governing Body (US Sailing for USA members; to join, call 1-800-877-2451 or visit www.ussailing.org).

4.5 The Distance Racing division (Saturday and Sunday only) is open to Spinnaker or Non-Spinnaker boats of 20 feet LOA or greater that holds a valid WFPHRF Certificate.

4.6 Entries shall be completed online via the ONB.

4.7 Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than January 27, 2023. New and incomplete entries after January 25, 2023 will increase by \$75.00, this includes any unpaid entries.

4.8 A representative of each eligible boat shall check in with Sailing World Race management in person at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club before racing starts. All skipper and crew waivers must be completed before check in.

4.9 Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted online by the close of registration on February 16, 2023. In order to complete the waiver online, skippers will need to complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner." Subsequently, individual crew members will be notified by email of their boat's entry and those crew members must follow up when notified in order to complete the waiver. A boat's registration will not be final without a completed waiver from each participating crew member. A boat will not be scored without completing all registration requirements.

4.10 In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability online prior to racing on that boat.

4.11 For Entries to be considered valid, all registration items must be completed including but not limited to online crew waiver submission, paid fees, rating certificates submitted, etc. All incomplete registrations will be considered withdrawn from the regatta if incomplete on or after 1900 on Thursday, February 16, 2023.

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REGISTRATION DETAIL	DATE	LINK
Entry Open for All Classes	November 1, 2022	https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-st-petersburg/
Deadline for Early Entry Discount - All Classes	By 2359hrs on January 25, 2023	https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-st-petersburg/
Deadline for One-Design Classes (8 boat minimum for dedicated start)	By 2359hrs on January 27	https://www.sailingworld.com/regatta-series-st-petersburg/
Online Registration Closes	At 2359hrs on February 15	Email late entry requests to regattas@sailingworld.com
Competitor Check-in	1630 - 1900 on February 16	St. Petersburg Yacht Club
Distance Race Fleet Check-in	1700 - 1900 on February 17 0730 - 0900 on February 18	St. Petersburg Yacht Club

5. FEES

5.1 The entry fee will be based on the LOA as follows:

LOA	Early Entry Fee	Entry Fee after 1/25/23
up to 19'	\$135	\$210
20' - 25'	\$200	\$275
26' - 29'	\$230	\$305
30' and over	\$245	\$320
Distance Race Fleet	\$100	\$175



5.2 The entry fee includes the costs for race management, access to SPYC Club and Race facilities, and docking at St. Petersburg Yacht Club from Thursday, February 16 - Sunday, February 19. To request docking, please contact SPYC. Space is limited, please make your reservation in advance.

5.3 Entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA. An entry is not valid until the entry form and fees are accepted by the OA. To withdraw your entry, please email regattas@sailingworld.com no later than February 7, 2023. In the event that the regatta is cancelled all entry fees will be credited in full.

5.4 Social events and fees are separate from entry fees; all sailors, members, and guests are welcome. It is the intent of the OA to host a Happy Hour post racing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at St. Petersburg Yacht Club on the 2nd Floor Pool Patio and SPYC Ballroom. Weekend Social Passes can be purchased in advance for \$50 per person and include access to the regatta Happy Hour with beverages sponsored by Mount Gay Rum.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.

6.3 At the discretion of the OA, bow numbers may also be required for some classes. If required, they will be provided and shall be placed on both sides of the boat's bow.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 A Competitors' Welcome will be held at 1830 on February 16, 2023 at SPYC.

7.2 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1000 each day. There will be no warning signal after 1430 on Sunday. No Warning Signal for the A-Cat and Lightning Classes will be made prior to 1200 on Friday, February 17, 2023.

7.3 This change only applies to A-Cat and Lightning racing on Friday. The race committee intends to run as many races as viable each day.

8. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

8.1 Measurement is not required, but each boat shall have a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by the class.

8.2 Neither the OA nor the SPYC shall be responsible for conducting or administering weigh-ins or measurements. Local or national class association representatives shall be responsible for conducting weigh-ins and/or measurement if needed.

9. VENUE

Racing areas will be in Tampa Bay, East of the St. Petersburg harbor entrance. Distance Racing area will be in Tampa Bay and adjacent waters.

10. COURSES

The number of racing areas, specific locations, and courses to be sailed will be provided in the Sailing Instructions.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 RRS Appendix T- ARBITRATION, will apply.

11.2 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 - PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT, will apply.



12. SCORING

Each boat's series score will be the sum of her scores for all races with no race scores excluded. One race will constitute a series. Scoring in ORC classes will be described in the Sailing Instructions.

13. BERTHING/HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

13.1 Boats may be moored at the SPYC or the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, as assigned, February 16-19 2023, free of charge. Boats wishing to arrive earlier or depart later, should contact the SPYC dock master at 727-822-3227 to make reservations.

13.2 Once launched, boats shall not be hauled out for the duration of the regatta without written permission from the OA. Boats stored on local beaches are exempt from these haul-out restrictions. [DP]

13.3 Boats exceeding 6,000 pounds and/or draft of 7 feet or more may contact Sailor's Wharf, for launch and haul out services, at 727-823-1155.

14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA and SPYC 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.

14.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The destruction of property, the breach of reasonable standards of good sportsmanship by any crew member, or any other person associated with the boat, or the failure of any of those persons to comply with the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

14.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

15. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per incident or the equivalent. Competitors shall be prepared to supply proof of insurance upon request by the OA.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded, after racing on Sunday, to the top-three finishers of each qualifying class.

16.2 Boats in classes participating in three or more events of the Series will qualify for Sailing World Regatta Series Champion award, which will be based on cumulative race scores from three events.

16.3 Each class winner is eligible for the 2023 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series Championship. The designated Challenger will be drawn at the conclusion of the event from the class winners.

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16.4 Additional prizes may be awarded to the top Junior Team (under 21 years of age), and top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female) to the any one-design class with a minimum of 12 boats registered.

17. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA for any photographs or video footage taken of themselves or their competing boat to be published in any media whatsoever; for either editorial or advertising purposes, or to be used in press information.

18. ENVIRONMENTAL

The Regatta Series is continuing to work with Sailors for the Sea Powered by Oceana to maintain Silver Level certified Clean Regatta. Since 2006, Sailors for the Sea has worked with more than 2,900 events and 750,000 sailors to protect our playground. Please bring your reusable water bottles, consider car-pooling, and provision your boat with limited no single-use plastics. Visit www.sailorsforthesea.org to learn more.

19. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact:

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