

# Notice of Race

## Percy Priest Yacht Club



# Equalizer Regatta for One-Design Cruisers

October 19 & 20, 2024

1. **INVITATION**--Percy Priest Yacht Club cordially invites you and your crew to attend the **Equalizer Regatta for One-Design Cruisers** on **October 19 & 20, 2023**.
2. **SITE**--The regatta will be held on J. Percy Priest Lake in Nashville, Tennessee. Land based activities will be held at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina.
3. **RULES**
  - 3.1. The [COVID-19 Policies](#) posted on [www.PPYC.org](http://www.PPYC.org) website shall be adhered to by all participants.
  - 3.2. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
  - 3.3. For the S2 7.9 class, ISAF Regulation 22, [ISAF Sailor Classification Code](#), will apply for purposes of awarding trophies. Classes 2 & 3 constitute the "PRO" class and will not compete for the Top Amateur trophy(s).
  - 3.4. Changes may be made to the following RRS:  
29.1 (Individual Recalls), 33 (Changing the Next Leg of the Course), 35 (Time Limit and Scores), 44.1 (Taking a Penalty), 61 (Protest Requirements), 62.1(a) (Redress), A2 (Series Scores), A4 (Low Point System), A5 (Scores Determined by the Race Committee), A11 (Scoring Abbreviations), and Race Signal AP (Postponement).
  - 3.5. US Sailing Prescriptions Rule 60 (redress hearing participation), Rule 63.2 (Time and Place of the Hearing), and Rule 63.4 (Interested Party) will not apply.
  - 3.6. For the S2 7.9 class, class rule 3.6.1. is changed so that there is no maximum crew weight.
  - 3.7. For J22 boats, the combined crew weight restriction of class rule C.2.1.(a) will not apply.
  - 3.8. All other class rules for all classes, including measurement and weight rules, will apply. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with class rules.
  - 3.9. All rules changes will be written in this NOR, in the SI, and posted on the Marina Notice Board no later than 0900 of the first day of the regatta.
4. **ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**
  - 4.1. The regatta will be open to all one-design cruiser or racer/cruiser boats properly registered with PPYC and consistent with 5.1 below.
  - 4.2. All registrations must be done online from [WWW.PPYC.ORG](http://WWW.PPYC.ORG) including payment of regatta fees. There will be no registration nor payment methods at the regatta site.
  - 4.3. A Waiver and Release of Liability and Emergency Contact form signed by the owner/skipper and each crew member must be placed in the container labeled "PPYC WAIVERS". Box(s) (1 or 2) will be located on the deck and/or between the building and the bathrooms depending on weather conditions. No boat will be fully registered nor scored without submitting this completed form. In the event of a crew member substitution during the regatta, the new crew member must submit a signed waiver of liability to the Regatta Committee prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid. Waiver forms can be printed from the [www.PPYC.org](http://www.PPYC.org) site.

## 5. CLASSES

5.1. Five or more boats of the same one-design class are required for a class to participate.

5.2. Anticipated classes currently include the J22 and the S2-7.9m.

## 6. FEES --The regatta entry fee and other fees are as follows:

<b>Online Registration Fee:</b> Register by <b>midnight, Tuesday, October 15, 2024</b>	<b>\$85.00</b>
<b>Online Late Registration Fee:</b> Before 8:00 a.m., Saturday, October 15, 2024	<b>\$95.00</b>
A <b>\$5.00</b> discount is available for US Sailing members. Member number is required for discount.	
Meal costs are <b>\$10.00</b> per crew (mandatory) Lunches are not included.	

## 7. SCHEDULE – Subject to change because of Covid restrictions by governing authorities. This will be updated if a change is required asap.

Friday, October 18, 2024	
<b>1400</b>	<b>Boat set up and Launch,</b>
<b>1530</b>	<b>Practice starts and practice race. This is subject to interest and availability of Race Committee assistance.</b>
Saturday, October 19, 2024	
<b>0800</b>	All registrations are now required online via the PPYC web site. Cutoff time is 0800.
<b>0800-1000</b>	Continental Breakfast
<b>0900</b>	Place <a href="#">Waiver and Release &amp; Emergency Contact Information</a> form into the designated box (located on the deck or near the bathrooms depending on weather conditions). <b>Waivers are required by 0945. If incomplete, the boat will not be scored.</b>
<b>1000</b>	Skippers' Meeting will be conducted <u>at the clubhouse</u> or deck <u>unless Covid 19 rules at the time of the regatta require social distancing in which case it will be</u> -via audio on Marine Channel 68.  Paper NOR or SI will not be available.
<b>1100</b>	First warning signal.
<b>After Race - Until 4:00</b>	Red Cup Social and Brats on the deck.
Sunday, October 20, 2024	
<b>0900</b>	Continental Breakfast
<b>1000</b>	Warning Signal. Subsequent races may follow.
<b>1300</b>	No race will be started after this time.
<b>After Race</b>	Awards presentation will be as soon as possible after last race

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 8.1. This Notice Of Race (NOR) & the Sailing Instructions (SI) and any changes or amendments will be dated and posted online at [WWW.PPYC.ORG](http://WWW.PPYC.ORG). Click on the "Equalizer Regatta" in the "Upcoming Events" list.
- 8.2. The SI dated no later than the Tuesday before the regatta will be the final SI posted online. That SI may be modified only by posts on the regatta bulletin board.
- 8.3. The classes start order will be S2-7.9 first, J22 second. Any other classes will follow the J22 class. The CLASS Flag ID's will be posted on the PPYC web site.
- 8.4. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD: Any changes or amendments to the SI and/or other notices will be posted on the large pane of glass on the left side of clubhouse deck.

## 9. RACING

- 9.1. The regatta will consist of as many as eight buoy course races for all classes.
- 9.2. One race will constitute a series.
- 9.3. No race will be started after 1300 on Sunday.

## 10. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 10.1. RRS 44.1 is changed for all classes so that the Two Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty, except for incidents between boats
  - (a) prior to the starting signal,
  - (b) when there is contact, or
  - (c) when at least one of them is in the zone of a mark that has a required side on the leg being sailed, and the mark is a rounding mark, a gate mark, or a finishing mark.
- 10.2. For incidents described in 10.1 (a), (b) and (c), the Two-Turns Penalty remains in effect.

## 11. SCORING

- 11.1. When fewer than six races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. This changes RRS A2.
- 11.2. A boat that did not finish within the required time after the first boat in her class finished and that was still racing when the time limit expired and not thereafter retiring, being penalized or given redress, will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that finished the race and not later retired or disqualified. The scoring abbreviation for such boats will be TLX (did not finish due to time limit expiring). This changes RRS A4, A5, and A11.
- 11.3. A boat that did not start (DNC, DNS, and OCS), did not finish (DNF) for any reason other than that in Sailing Instruction 11.2 or retires (RET) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to one more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta.
- 11.4. A boat that was disqualified (BFD, DSQ, DNE, and DGM) will be scored points for the finishing place equal to two more than the number of boats in the class that entered the regatta. This changes RRS A4.2.
- 11.5. All other boats will be scored in accordance with RRS A4.1, A4.2, and A5.

12. **LAUNCHING, DOCKING AND HAULING**--Launching, docking and hauling may be done at Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina and Hamilton Creek Park free of charge. Two ramps are available for trailer launching. No boat hoist is available.

## 13. RADIO COMMUNICATIONS, COURTESY BROADCASTS & RECALLS

- 13.1. **All boats are REQUIRED to carry a working VHF radio and monitor it during the regatta.**
- 13.2. The race committee may make periodic courtesy broadcasts by VHF radio on Channel 68. Information reported is provided as a courtesy to the competitors and does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the race committee's visual signals. Errors or omissions during these courtesy broadcasts will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

13.3. When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee will attempt to hail the sail numbers of the recalled boats only by VHF radio on Channel 68. Such a hail is a courtesy hail only. Failure of the race committee to hail, failure of a boat to hear the hail for any reason, or the method, order or timing of the hail will not relieve the boat of its obligation to start correctly and will not be grounds for requesting redress. This changes RRS 29.1 and 62.1(a).

14. **PRIZES**--Trophies will be awarded for classes as follows:

J/22 – 3 trophies – If there are less than 5 boats then two trophies will be awarded.

S2 7.9 - ISAF Group 1 ("non-professionals") - 3 trophies

S2 7.9 - ISAF Group 2 & 3 ("professionals") – max of 2 trophies (*first place professionals must finish in the top 3 to be eligible*)

15. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER**--Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. Percy Priest Yacht Club 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. Competitors agree that the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As an inducement to the race organizers to produce the regatta, each competitor agrees that by participating in this event each competitor is deemed to have waived all claims against and released the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law and is deemed to have warranted that he has obtained this same release of the race organizers by each crew member.

16. **INSURANCE**--Each participating boat shall be insured by its owner with valid third-party liability insurance.

17. **FURTHER INFORMATION**--For further information please contact:

Regatta Chair	James O'Dell	<a href="tel:615-594-8116">615-594-8116</a>
Director of Racing	George Heintz	<a href="tel:615-788-7020">615-788-7020</a>
Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina		<a href="tel:615-862-8472">(615) 862-8472</a>

An [email link to regatta contacts](#) is available on the PPYC regatta registration website.

18. **DIRECTIONS**--On I-40, east of Nashville, exit at Stewarts Ferry Pike / J. Percy Priest Dam (Exit 219). Go south for approximately 3.4 miles. Turn left into Hamilton Creek Park. Turn left at the first road on the left into the sailboat marina. A [map and driving directions](#) are available on the PPYC web site.

19. **LODGING**--There are several hotels and motels within six miles of Hamilton Creek Sailboat Marina. A [list of lodging near Percy Priest Lake](#) is available on the PPYC web site.