

PCYC Women's + One-Design Invitational

March 22nd-23rd, 2025 Pass Christian Yacht Club Pass Christian, Mississippi, USA



NOTICE OF RACE

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[DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. The notation [NP] means that a violation is not protestable by a boat. This changes rule 60.1, 60.4(a)(2) and 61.1(a).

1. RULES

- 1.1 The event will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing of 2025-2028* (RRS).
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority (OA) is the Pass Christian Yacht Club (PCYC).
- 1.3 The following US Sailing Prescriptions will apply: the Preamble to RRS Part 5, RRS 63.1. 65.1, and Appendix R. These are attached as Addendum A.
- 1.4 The sailing instructions may also change other.

2. NOTICE BOARD & SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1 All event notices, sailing instructions, amendments, updates and scoring will be available on https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28967, the ONB
- 2.2 The sailing instructions will be posted no later than March 21, 2025.

3. COMMUNICATION

It is strongly recommended, for VHF radios to be carried on all boats for the sole purpose to listen to the actions of the race committee and to transmit in the event of an emergency on a specific channel designated in the sailing instructions. The race committee will attempt to notify all boats that are OCS by VHF radio. Failure to do so by the race committee, the order of the hail, or the failure to receive the hail shall not be grounds for redress.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 Entries are open to the Melges 15, Viper 640, VX One, Flying Scot, & the Lightning One-Design Classes.
- 4.2 The skipper shall be a female. There is no gender requirements for the crew.
- 4.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing the on-line application at https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/28967
- 4.4 A Competitor is not entered and will not receive a score until all fees are paid.

5. FEES & REGISTRATION

- 5.1 The entry fee of \$75 includes boat and trailer parking, launching, hauling, and invitations to social events for skipper and crew.
- 5.2 Entry fees are due at time of entry and payable via credit card on the regatta website.

6. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

6.1 Saturday, March 22nd, 2025

8:30am Coffee & Fruit Bar

9:00am-10:15am Check-In in the Clubhouse

10:00am Coaches onsite to help with rigging & crew handling

10:30am Skippers Meeting in the Clubhouse
12:00pm Practice Race Warning Signal
1st Race Warning Signal

Regatta Social & Debrief after racing

Sunday, March 23rd, 2025

8:30am Coffee & Fruit Bar

11:00am 1st Race Warning Signal

Awards ASAP after racing

6.1 Eight (8) races are scheduled.

7. VENUE

Racing will be in the Mississippi Sound, just south of the Pass Christian Yacht Club in Pass Christian, MS, USA.

8. THE COURSES

The courses to be sailed will windward-leeward type course using inflatable marks.

9. SCORING

- 9.1 The scoring system is the Low Point System in RRS Appendix A.
- 9.2 One (1) race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
- 9.3 When five (5) 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.

10. BERTHING

Free boat & trailer storage at the Pass Christian Yacht Club for a week before and a week after the event if needed.

11. PRIZES

- 11.1. Prizes will be awarded to the top three positions in each class.
- 11.2. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.

12. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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 connection with, or prior to, during, or after, the regatta.

13. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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NOR - ADDENDUM A – 2025-2028 US Sailing Prescriptions

Add to the preamble to Part 5:

US Sailing prescribes that no fees shall be charged for protests or requests for redress.

Add to rule 63.1(b):

US Sailing prescribes that when redress has been requested or is to be considered for one or more boats:

- (a) Any other boat may participate in the hearing.
- (b) The protest committee shall make a reasonable attempt to notify all boats of the time and place of the hearing and the reason for the request or for considering redress, and boats shall be allowed reasonable time to prepare for the hearing.
- (c) The protest committee shall call a hearing to hear the request for redress and to consider redress for any other boats that
- (1) participate in the hearing, or
- (2) request in writing to do so before the hearing begins.

Add to rule 65.1:

US Sailing prescribes that

- (a) A boat that retires from a race or accepts a penalty does not, by that action alone, admit liability for monetary damages.
- (b) A protest committee shall find facts and make decisions only in compliance with the rules. No protest committee or US Sailing appeal authority shall adjudicate any claim for monetary damages. Such a claim is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts.
- (c) A basic purpose of the rules is to prevent contact between boats. By participating in an event governed by the rules, a boat agrees that responsibility for monetary damages arising from any breach of the rules shall be based on fault as determined by application of the rules, and that she shall not be governed by the legal doctrine of 'assumption of risk' for monetary damages resulting from contact with other boats.

APPENDIX R

This appendix is a US Sailing prescription.

See rules 70, 71 and 72. This appendix replaces Appendix R as adopted by World Sailing for the purpose of creating a two-level appeals system. This appendix shall not be changed by the notice of race or sailing instructions.

The US Sailing Appeals Committee acts as the national authority under rules 70, 71 and 72. Appeals, requests by protest and association appeals committees for confirmation or correction of their decisions, and requests for interpretations of the **rules** shall be made in compliance with this appendix.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) on the appeals system and their answers, including advice on how to prepare an appeal, can be found on the US Sailing website. Go to ussailing.org/appeals and click the 'Appeals FAQ' link.