



**Texas Corinthian Yacht Club**  
**Grand Master Invitational Team Race Regatta**

**Notice of Race (“NOR”)**

*also known as the “Texas Shootout”*

**Friday, April 26 - Sunday, April 28  
2024**

*Organizing Authority (OA): Texas Corinthian Yacht Club (“TCYC”)*

*Posted: [15 January 2024]*

**1 RULES**

The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix D, Team Racing Rules.

**2 CLASS**

TCYC member-owned Sonar-type boats will be provided. Spinnakers MAY be used. Standing rigging shall not be adjusted, except by the direction of the OA.

**3 TEAM**

- 3.1 Each competing team shall consist of skippers and crew for three boats with three or four sailors per boat.
- 3.2 All participants must be members, spouses or dependents of members of the club that they represent, unless prior approval is obtained from the OA.
- 3.3 OA reserves the right to combine members from different clubs for a sixth team.
- 3.4 The skipper must be at least 60 years of age.
- 3.5 The remaining crew members must be at least 50 years of age.
- 3.6 Substitutions must be approved by the OA.

**4 CREW WEIGHT**

The combined weight of all team members must not exceed 2,300 pounds in shorts and a shirt. There will be a weigh-in at registration.

**5 ADVERTISING**

A boat and her crew shall comply with World Sailing Regulation 20, Advertising Code.

**6 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 6.1 Entry is by invitation.
- 6.2 The Entry Form (online form <https://forms.gle/6Zp85uv4opddRnQE7>) and Entry Fees must be received by OA no later than February 16, 2024, to confirm entry in the event.
- 6.3 *If this event is oversubscribed, the OA, in its sole and absolute discretion, reserves the right to limit registration to six (6) teams that complete registration AND submit the entry fee in the order received. The OA may give preference to*

*teams that have participated in the past.*

- 6.4 Payment shall be submitted by calling by club manager or sending check to:

TCYC  
P.O. Box 577  
Kemah, TX 77565  
(281)339-1567

## **7 FEES**

- 7.1 The entry fee \$4,200 per team to include continental breakfast, sack lunches and water (please bring refillable bottles) for Saturday and Sunday race days; Saturday night dinner for all competitors; and Sunday awards ceremony buffet, depending on conditions at the time of the regatta.
- 7.2 The OA MAY provide housing for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. This will be determined after registrations have been received and competitors will be notified.
- 7.3 Extra meal tickets for spouses and additional guests may be purchased by contacting the club manager, Stacy ([stacy@tcyc.org](mailto:stacy@tcyc.org)) no later than Wednesday, April 17, 2024.
- 7.4 No refunds for cancellation will be provided after February 16, 2024.

## **8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

Sailing Instructions will be available at the Participants' Meeting and will be posted on the regatta web page at [www.tcyc.org](http://www.tcyc.org) to the event.

## **9 VENUE**

- 9.1 Racing will take place on Galveston Bay.
- 9.2 Shore activities will take place at the TCYC club house and campus.

## **10 FORMAT**

The planned format is multiple round robins amongst either all competing teams or groups of teams. If time permits, a knock-out series may be run as determined by the OA. The format and number of races will be described in the Sailing Instructions and at the Participants' Meeting and may be adjusted by the OA due to weather and time considerations.

## **11 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Friday April 26, 2024	1400	Participants Meeting (Sailors, Umpires) <i>Racing to follow</i> No scheduled social event
Saturday April 27, 2024	0800 0830 0900  1900	Continental Breakfast Registration and weight-in Participants Meeting (Sailors, Umpires) <i>Racing to follow</i> Regatta dinner
Sunday April 28, 2024	0800 0900	Continental Breakfast Participants Meeting (Sailors, Umpires) <i>Racing to follow</i>

The Race Committee will endeavor not to begin a starting sequence after 1400 on Sunday, but weather conditions and/or the progress of the event may govern the actual conclusion of racing.

## **12 COURSE**

Courses will be as diagrammed in the Sailing Instructions.

## **13 SCORING**

Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the Sailing Instructions.

## **14 UMPIRING**

It is the intention for the regatta to be umpired in accordance with Appendix D, as modified by the Sailing Instructions. Teams may be asked to assist the umpires when off rotation. This will not be considered a conflict of interest.

## **15 PROTESTS**

When practicable, protests other than those under Rule D2.2, and redress requests will be heard on the water.

## **16 LIFE JACKETS**

- 16.1 All competitors shall wear a PFD approved by either the U.S. Coast Guard or the competitor's national authority at all times while on the water, except while actively adding or removing clothing.
- 16.2 Competitors shall provide their own PFDs. OA will not supply PFDs.
- 16.3 Bibs supplied by each participating team shall be worn while racing.

## **17 VHF RADIOS**

- 17.1 Each team is responsible for supplying one VHF radio per boat. OA will not supply VHF radios.
- 17.2 All competitors shall keep VHF radios onboard at all times in order to receive notifications and communications from Race Committee and Umpires
- 17.3 Radio station for competitors to monitor will be announced at the skippers meeting and published in SI's.

## **18 WATER BOTTLES**

Please bring a refillable water bottle. The OA will provide water filling stations on shore.

## **19 WAIVER AND DAMAGE DEPOSIT**

- 19.1 All participants must complete the waiver form online. The link will be provided once registration is received.
- 19.2 All skippers will be required to provide a \$1,000 damage deposit prior to the start of racing by providing credit card information or TCYC member number at registration. The deposit is a per-incident maximum. If a skipper has more than one incident, he or she is then liable for up to \$1,000 for each individual incident. Skippers should be aware that while the Team Race Representative or OA will attempt to identify all damage at the post-regatta inspection, often this is not possible due to the nature of the damage. The skipper is responsible for all damage, even if it is discovered only after the post-regatta report is completed and signed. In the event that there is material damage not covered by insurance and no one acknowledges responsibility (e.g., crews are rotated among the boats and no one reports the damage), the cost of repairs will be charged to all the designated skippers on a prorated basis.

## **20 FURTHER INFORMATION**

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