



# ST. PETERSBURG FEBRUARY 16-18, 2018

## NOTICE OF RACE

### HELLY HANSEN NATIONAL OFFSHORE ONE-DESIGN REGATTA

St. Petersburg Yacht Club February 16-18, 2018 St. Petersburg, FL

*Sailing World* is the Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta in cooperation with the St. Petersburg Yacht Club (SPYC). This is a US Sailing sanctioned event.

*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 Rules I.1 and I.3 of J/70 Class Rules, Part III-Section I shall apply.
- 1.3 Rule 55, prohibiting the practice of allowing bands on spinnakers to fall in the water (even if the material used is bio-degradable), will be in effect. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection has confirmed that this practice breaks Florida law.
- 1.4 The US Sailing Prescriptions to 63.2 and 63.4 shall not apply.
- 1.5 This is a Sonar Class Association Appendix B – Alternative Rules event.
- 1.6 All times listed in this document will be EST.

## 2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event. [DP]
- 2.2 Easily removable bow stickers shall be attached to the forward 25% of both sides of the boat's hull at all times while racing. The stickers are to be attached with the top approximately 6"-10" below deck level and with the leading edge approximately 10"-20" aft of the bow. Bow stickers will be provided in the Skipper's package. 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 hull forward of the bow sticker. [DP]

## 3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The following boats are eligible to enter: a) member of a One-Design class association that has been invited to this regatta, and b) boats that meet criteria established by the class coordinator for a level class. A minimum of six boats is required for a class to remain eligible. Due to the number of classes anticipated at this event, entrants should be aware that 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.
- 3.2 The regatta is also open to those boats with valid West Florida PHRF ratings. PHRF Spinnaker classes with PHRF ratings of 180 and below are scheduled to race windward/leeward courses. Boats not holding West Florida PHRF certificates may make the proper arrangement by logging onto: [http://wfphrf.org/?page\\_id=64](http://wfphrf.org/?page_id=64).
- 3.3 The Owner and/or Skipper in charge shall be a member of his or her national authority. The U.S. national authority is US Sailing. To join call 1-800-877-2451 or go online to [www.ussailing.org](http://www.ussailing.org).

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3.4 Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than February 5, 2018. Enter online at [www.sailingworld.com/nood-regattas](http://www.sailingworld.com/nood-regattas). If mailing entry, completed entry forms with the entry fee, shall be mailed to NOOD REGATTA, c/o Sailing World, 55 Hammarlund Way, Middletown, RI 02842 or fax 401-845-5180 and are not valid until accepted by the OA. Late entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of *Sailing World*. Late entries will be subject to a late fee of \$75.00 if received on or after January 31, 2018, this includes any entries unpaid by January 31, 2018. To receive a refund or cancel your entry, please email [kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com](mailto:kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com) or call 401-845-4408 no later than February 12, 2018 as no refunds will be issued after this date.

3.5 A NOOD entrant may participate in the North Rally Race on Saturday February 17, 2018 (see separate NOR) by contacting the OA prior to February 5, 2018. No additional entry fee will apply. A North Rally Race competitor will be scored DNC for that day's NOOD Regatta races.

3.6 Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted by registration. In order to complete the waiver form online, skippers must complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner" during the entry process. 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. No boat's registration will be final without a completed waiver 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 OA prior to racing for that boat's entry to remain valid.

#### 4. 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.

#### 5. FEES

Boat Size Entry Fee

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| up to 19'      | \$115 |
| 20' - 25'      | \$185 |
| 26' - 29'      | \$195 |
| 30' - and over | \$215 |

#### 6. SCHEDULE

6.1 Each boat owner or his representative must report to SPYC, between 1700hrs and 1900hrs on Thursday, February 15, 2018 to complete registration. A Skippers' Meeting will be held at 1830hrs on Thursday, February 15, 2018 at SPYC.

6.2 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1000hrs each day. There will be no warning signal after 1400hrs on Sunday. No Warning Signal for the A-Cat, F-18 and Lightning Classes will be made prior to 1200hrs on Friday February 16, 2018. This change only applies to A-Cat, F-18 & Lightning racing on Friday. The race committee intends to run as many races as viable each day.

#### 7. MEASUREMENT/WEIGH-IN

7.1 Measurement is not required, but each boat shall submit proof of holding a valid measurement certificate at registration if required by the class.

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

### 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and will be available online at [www.sailingworld.com](http://www.sailingworld.com) no later than Thursday, February 15, 2018.

8.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice board located on the race website at [https://www.yachtscoring.com/administration/admin\\_main.cfm?Event\\_ID=4471](https://www.yachtscoring.com/administration/admin_main.cfm?Event_ID=4471) If appropriate, copies of amendments may be placed on the complimentary notice board located in the Compass Room at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or other notices.

8.3 Class breaks and their respective warning times will be published as an addendum to the SI.

### 9. RACING AREAS

Racing areas will be in Tampa Bay, East of the harbor entrance.

### 10. COURSES

Courses will be windward/leeward, triangle, or a variation of those.

### 11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 For the Melges 24 and the S2 7.9 classes *only*: RRS 44.1 is changed so that, except for breaches of Part 2 that occur within three boat lengths of a rounding mark or finishing mark, only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

11.2 RRS Appendix T ARBITRATION 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.

### 13. BERTHING/HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

13.1 Boats may be moored at the SPYC or the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, as assigned, February 14-18, 2018, 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]

### 14. RADIO COMMUNICATION

Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones. [DP]

### 15. PRIZES

15.1 Series prizes will be awarded by class at the conclusion of racing at the awards ceremony at SPYC. The number of series prizes will depend on the number of class entries.

15.2 An award will be made to the boat which, in the opinion of the OA and the Race Committee, had the best overall performance during the 2018 Helly Hansen NOOD Regatta, St. Petersburg.

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### 16. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission 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.

### 17. RISK, DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY, PERSONAL CONDUCT

17.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

17.2 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 any reasonable request of any Race Officer, Regatta Committee member, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

17.3 Competitors are expected to conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner at all times and to abide by the SPYC Rules.

### 18. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact:

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