

2025 Tennessee, Alabama, Georgia Trophy

Harbor Island Yacht Club Old Hickory, TN 37138

March 22nd, 2025

NOTICE OF RACE

1. INTRODUCTION

The TAG trophy at the Harbor Island Yacht Club ("HIYC") shall consist of up to twelve (12) races per division over the course of a single day.

2. RULES

- 2.1 The races will be governed by "The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2025-2028 including US Sailing Prescriptions" ("RRS"), except as changed by this Notice or the Sailing Instructions.
- 2.2 As provided for in Rule 44.1, that rule will be changed by requiring only one penalty turn under any circumstances covered by Rule 44.1.

3. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 No sailing instructions will be posted for this regatta. If there is concern over this statement please contact the event cordinator.

4. COMMUNICATION

- 4.1 Boats may NOT carry a VHF capable radio. Cell phones are allowed, but may not be used for race related communication (coaching).
- 4.3 From the first warning signal until the end of the last race of the day, 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.

5. ELIGIBILITY, ENTRY AND CLUB BOAT USE

5.1 These events are open to all boats of participating universities under SAISA.

6. FEES

6.1 There will be no entry fee for participating in this series.

7. CREW LIMITATIONS

7.1 The person designated as the skipper of any multi-handed sailboat team must sail as the helmsman for at least 50% of the series races for the boat score to be counted as part of the series. Short periods of time when the Skipper hands over the helm to a crew member while making adjustments or handling the spinnaker, including setting, flying and dousing shall not be considered a violation of this rule.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Dates of Racing: This is a single day regatta, with both divisions competing on the same day. All call will be at 1000 hours, skippers meeting will be 1030 hours, first race will be at 1100 hours. No race will start after 1600 hours.

8.2 Number of Races:

a. The RC aims to get twelve (12) races in per division for a total of twenty four (24) races over the course of the day. If 12 races are completed per division before 1600 hours racing for the day will be over.

8.3 Rotations:

a) A and B fleet will rotate every three races until the completion of the day.

9. THE COURSES

- 9.1 The racing area is on Old Hickory Lake in the general area of HIYC. The course may be outside the harbor if low wind conditions persist.
- 9.2 The courses to be used during this series will either a W2, W4, or W6. These courses will be announced verbally before the start of each race. If no announcement is made assume the course has not changed.

The course or courses to be used on any given race day will be announced and reviewed at the Competitors' meeting.

The length of each race is estimated to be 15 minutes.

10. SCORING

10.1 Scoring will follow all standard SAISA regatta scoring techniques.

11. PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (PFD) AND PERSONAL EQUIPMENT

11.1 Competitors shall wear a US Coast Guard (USCG) approved personal flotation device (PFD) 100% dependent on foam for flotation and the appropriate size for the sailor, except briefly while changing or adjusting clothing or personal equipment while on the water. The PFD must be worn outside of all clothing except that a thin shirt may be worn over the PFD to prevent snagging. Wet suits and dry suits are not personal flotation devices. This changes RSS Part 4 Preamble, RSS 40.1 and RSS 40.2.

12. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 12.1 Racers must check in with the Race Committee boat on the water prior to the first race.
- 12.2 If leaving the race area, such boat shall communicate that information to the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 12.3 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

13. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY-** Competitors in this regatta, are participating entirely at their own risk. See Rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, host club and/or personnel conducting this event will not accept any liability for material damages or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the event.

14. FURTHER INFORMATION

14.1 For further information contact:

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