

# NOTICE OF RACE

## 2020 Frostbite Series



**1. RULES** - The Series will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing for 2017-2020, (RRS), published by World Sailing.

### **2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

2.1. Austin Yacht Club cordially invites you to attend the AYC's 2020 Frostbite Series to be held on Lake Travis. Austin Yacht Club is both the Host Club and the Organizing Authority of the Series. Austin Yacht Club is a private yacht club, located on Lake Travis at 5906 Beacon Drive, Austin, TX 78734.

2.2. Any boat with an AYC skipper or member on board or which has been invited by the Organizing Authority, is eligible to participate. Failure to comply will result in a boat not being scored.

2.3. The series is open to all monohull keelboats, and multihull boats (including 'beach cats').

### **3. ENTRY AND FEES**

3.1. There are no entry fees for the Series.

3.2. All competitors are **encouraged** to "register" for the series online at:

<https://www.austinyachtclub.net/ayc-series-race-registration/>

at least a day before the series starts, in order to facilitate prompt and accurate scoring.

This includes changes to sail numbers or skipper names between series.

3.3 **All competitors are required to announce their intent to race by checking in "On-the-Water"** with the Race Committee. Boats not properly checking in may be scored DNS. Details are provided in the Sailing Instructions.

### **4. SCHEDULE**

4.1. Races shall be held on the following Saturdays: January 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

4.2. Competitor Briefing will be held at 12:00pm (noon) on January 18<sup>th</sup> in the AYC Clubhouse.

4.3. First Warning Signal for each race day will be at 13:30 (1:30pm).

4.4. No more than one (1) race per day as announced at the Competitor's Briefing. Any races not sailed on their scheduled day will not be rescheduled.

4.5 All courses will be Long Distance (LD), using **2018** AYC Course Card, or a combination of AYC and LCRA marks posted by RC.

**5. SOCIAL ACTIVITIES** – See the club web site for the after race activities planned by the Social Committee.

**6. MEASUREMENTS** - No measurement of boats is required. Any boats competing in a handicap fleet must have a valid handicap-rating certificate on file with AYC, or have submitted a PHRF request to the AYC PHRF Committee.

**7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS** - The sailing instructions will be available in the AYC Clubhouse (bins in the East corner) prior to the start of the Competitors' Briefing, and on the AYC website as soon as practical.

### **8. SCORING**

8.1. Each boat will be scored using her **main** sail number. A boat will be scored in only one class for the entire series. That class will be the class that the boat first designates in the series. This restriction on series scoring will also apply to designation of spinnaker or non-spinnaker.

- 8.1.1 If, for any reason, a boat chooses to compete with a sail that has a number other than the one currently registered, the RC must be informed during “On-The-Water” check-in. Scoring delays may occur if AYC Scoring is not informed a day prior to the race. Before a subsequent race with the new number, an updated Registration Form should be submitted.
- 8.2. The Keel Handicap and Multihull fleets will be scored using the “Time on Time” variant of the PHRF rating system in accordance with the Lake Travis PHRF handicap values.
- 8.3. The Low Point scoring system of RRS Appendix A will be used with the following modifications:
- 8.3.1. A boat will not be scored in a race during which her class has the Race Committee assignment. This modifies rule A4.1
- 8.3.2. Rule A9 will apply with the following modifications:
- 8.3.2.1. A boat that did not come to the starting area (DNC) shall be scored two points more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.
- 8.3.2.2. A boat that raced, but was disqualified, shall be scored two points more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.
- 8.3.2.3. All other scores (DNF, RET, RAF, TLE, DNS, OCS) shall be scored one point more than the number of boats that came to the starting area.
- 8.3.2.4. For these two conditions that are typically not scored at all, (TLE for all boats in fleet, or race is abandoned after the start for a fleet) all boats in the fleet who came to the starting area will be scored one point more than the number of boats in that fleet that came to the starting area.
- 8.4. Excluded scores shall be determined as follows, and modifies rule A2.
- 8.4.1. When 4 or more races have been completed, a boat’s series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

**9. RADIO COMMUNICATION** - 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.

**10. PRIZES** – Trophies will be awarded to owner based upon the class attendance for all scheduled races not abandoned by the RC as follows:

- ❖ ≥ 2 participants average: 1 trophy
- ❖ ≥4 participants average: 2 trophies
- ❖ ≥7 participants average: 3 trophies
- ❖ ≥10 participants average: 4 trophies, 1 additional trophy for each additional 3 participants

**11. ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY** – By participating in the regatta, each boat owner, skipper and crew agree to sail and use the Austin Yacht Club facilities at his or her own risk. To the fullest extent permitted under Texas law, each boat owner, skipper and crew unconditionally and irrevocably releases and discharges the Austin Yacht Club, their Officers, Board of Directors, agents, and all other persons who assist in maintaining equipment or in organizing and/or conducting races from all claims and legal liability for personal injury, death or property damage incurred in connection with the event.

**12. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** – For additional information contact **AYC at 512-266-1336** or email **Race\_Commander@austinyachtclub.net**. or visit the AYC website: [www.austinyachtclub.net](http://www.austinyachtclub.net).

No pets, fires, fireworks or drones are permitted on AYC property.

AYC is committed to prevent the spread of invasive species, and asks all boat owners, sailboats, motorboats, kayaks, to clean their bilges and trailers when coming from another lake to Lake Travis, and when leaving Lake Travis headed to another lake.