

NOTICE OF RACE/Sailing Instructions

Race Your House

Saturday, October 21st 2023

- 1. **Rules**: This race is governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing except as modified by the STYC General Sailing Instructions (GSI), these Sailing Instructions, and the USCG VTS Navigation Rules. For those new to racing, see https://www.styc.org/newracer for helpful resources.
- 2. Eligibility and Entry Deadline: This race is open to all seaworthy sailboats used by the owner as the principal place of residence (Live-aboards only!). It is not necessary that you be a member of STYC or any organized yacht club. Entries must be received on the STYC website (www.styc.org), no later than 2400, on the Wednesday before the race. Non-members and Associate Members must submit a \$20 entry fee with the completed entry.
- 3. **Handicaps**: To be confirmed.
- 4. **Technical Assistance**: In order to support this event and enhance the experience for participants, STYC will make available upon request, volunteer technical consultation that can be used during preparations and/or the actual race. Skippers desiring this complimentary assistance should indicate their desire at the time of race registration. Inquiries can also be made via race@styc.org.
- 5. **Divisions and Starting Times**: There will be both FS and NFS divisions. Class breaks will be posted on the STYC website (www.styc.org) by 1800 the Friday before the race. The 1st Class starts at 1100. The first warning is at 1055.
- 6. **Race Distance and Course**: The start and finish will be off of the Shilshole breakwater. This race will use a short weather leg, followed by a series of off wind legs, a short weather leg again and finishing at the same location as the start. Approximate distance is 10 nautical miles. There will be provision for a shorter course, which will be used at the discretion of the Race Committee, based on weather conditions. The Committee Boat will have the course letters posted. See the map in the <u>General Sailing Instructions (GSI)</u>.
- 7. **Time Limit**: The time limit for this race is 6.0 hours. The time limit will be extended by an additional 30 minutes for all remaining boats in a class when the first boat in the class finishes within the original time limit. Refer to the GSI for instructions concerning cancellations, postponements, and time extensions.
- 8. **Communication:** The race committee will utilize VHF channel 72 for on water communications. A failure by the race committee to issue a communication, the failure of a competitor to hear the communication, or any other issues regarding the communication shall not constitute grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 9. **Skippers' Meeting**: Skippers meeting will be online at 1900 Friday, October 20th. It will be possible to attend either online or via telephone. Meeting details will be available on the race webpage. The STYC GSI are available on the STYC website. If there are questions, email race@styc.org.
- 10. Awards: Awards will be announced at the Sloop Tavern at 1900.