



U.S. MATCH RACING CHAMPIONSHIP

for the Prince of Wales Bowl

AREA G QUARTERFINAL April 17-18, 2010

NOTICE OF RACE

1.0 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), Appendix C, and the USMRC Conditions, except as modified by this Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The rules for the handling of boats and equalization procedures for the boats will be distributed with the Sailing Instructions as an attachment and will apply, for both the practice sailing and the Area G Quarter Final races. Class rules will not apply.
- **1.3** The Organizing Authority (OA) is US SAILING, in conjunction with the Sausalito Yacht Club.
- **1.4** RRS 40.1 is changed as follows: All competitors are required to wear a life jacket or other adequate personal floatation device while racing.

2.0 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 The OA will consider resume application to this event on or before March 1, 2010 from skippers belonging to yacht clubs in Areas G, H, J, or L (See Appendix A). Resumes shall be emailed to the Regatta Chairman at race@syconline.org
- As many as eight (8) skippers will be invited. Only skippers invited by the Area G Selection Committee will be eligible to enter this event. Each member of the crew must be a member of US SAILING and of a club or association that is a US SAILING member. International skippers and crew must be members of their ISAF recognized member national authority (see USMRC Conditions 2.03 and 10.01 B). The yacht club or association represented is that of which the skipper is a member.
- 2.3 The registered skipper shall helm the boat at all times while racing, except in an emergency.
- 2.4 To remain eligible a skipper shall confirm acceptance of invitation in writing (e-mail is acceptable) to be received by date specified on the letter of invitation.
- 2.5 All competitors shall meet the eligibility requirements of ISAF Regulation 19.2.
- 2.6 All competitors shall obtain an ISAF Sailor ID by registering online at www.sailing.org/isafsailor. Skippers shall inform the OA of their Sailor ID at registration.

3.0 EVENT GRADING

The Area G Quarter Final Qualifier has applied for ISAF Grade 4.

4.0 ENTRY & FEES

- **4.1** Each skipper shall be entered on completion of registration, crew weighing, and the payment of the entry fee and damage deposit. The entry fee and deposit shall be paid to Sausalito Yacht Club prior to gaining access to boats for practice.
- 4.2 A non-refundable entry fee of US\$250 shall be paid upon notification of acceptance. Checks, credit cards, and Sausalito Yacht Club member charges will be accepted.
- 4.3 An initial damage deposit of US\$250 shall be paid at registration, unless extended by the OA. This deposit is the maximum payable by the skipper as a result of any one incident. In the event of a deduction from the damage deposit the OA may require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the skipper will be permitted to continue in the event. Any remaining deposit after the event will be refunded within 30 days after the event.

5.0 PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

April 16, 2010 (Friday)

1000 – 1730 Registration & Weigh-In – SYC Race Office

1030 – 1730 Boats Available for Practice

April 17, 2010 (Saturday)

0800 - 0900 Late Registration & Weigh-In - SYC Race Office

0800 - 0900 Skipper / Crew / Umpire Meeting

1000 First Race - subsequent races to follow

1830 Regatta Party

April 18, 2010 (Sunday)

1000 First Race - subsequent races to follow

After Racing Trophy Ceremony

6.0 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration at Sausalito Yacht Club, Humboldt Avenue, Sausalito, CA 94965

7.0 RACING AREA & COURSE

- 7.1 The intended race area will be set in Richardson Bay using inflatable marks.
- 7.2 The course will be windward/leeward/windward/leeward with starboard roundings, finishing downwind.

8.0 BOATS & SAILS

- **8.1** The event will be sailed in J/22s.
- **8.2** Up to eight boats will be provided.
- **8.3** The following sails will be provided for each boat: Mainsail, Jib, Spinnaker.
- **8.4** Boats will be allocated by draw, either daily or for each round as decided by the Race Committee.

9.0 CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

- 9.1 The number of crew (including skipper) shall be three (3) or four (4). All registered crew shall sail all races.
- **9.2** The maximum total crew weight, determined prior to racing, shall be 275 kg, when wearing at least shorts and shirts.
- **9.3** When a registered skipper is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorize an original crew member to substitute.
- **9.4** When a registered crew member is unable to continue in the event, the OA may authorize a substitute, a temporary substitute or other adjustment.

10.0 EVENT FORMAT

- **10.1** The event will consist of a double round robin
- **10.2** The OA may change the format, terminate or eliminate any round, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

11.0 ADVERTISING

- 11.1 As boats and equipment will be supplied by the OA, ISAF Regulation 20.3.1.2 applies. Each boat may be required to display advertising as supplied by the OA.
- **11.2** Competitors may be permitted to display advertising ashore at the venue, but this is subject to individual negotiation with the OA.
- **11.3** Boats shall not be permitted the right to protest for breaches of any rules regarding advertising (this amends RRS 60.1).

12.0 PRIZES

The principal prize for skippers of the top two boats is an invitation to the US Sailing Match Racing Area G, H, J, L Semifinals to be held in J/22's (or similar boat) on July 17-18, 2010 at the St. Francis Yacht Club, in San Francisco, CA.

13.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors shall participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, DECISION TO RACE). The OA does not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the regatta.

14.0 FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please contact:

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APPENDIX A - SAILING AREAS OF US SAILING

The OA will consider resume application to this event on or before February 1, 2010 from skippers belonging to yacht clubs in Areas G, H, J, or L. See below map for clarification of US SAILING Areas.

