

2022 Helly Hansen Sailing World Regatta Series North Sails Rally Race St Petersburg Yacht Club February 19, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

The Organizing Authority (OA) for this regatta is Sailing World 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** All boats are required to abide by the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus. Links to these documents will be posted on the Official Notice Board https://www.sailingworld.com/helly-hansen-nood-regatta-st-petersburg/ as they become available. [DP]
- **1.3** The following US Sailing prescriptions will not apply: 63.1 and 63.2.
- 1.4 All boats will be governed by the inland navigational rules of the road.
- **1.5** Per RRS 42.3 (i), a competitor may use their engine or other method to propel themselves so as to avoid impeding or interfering with commercial vessel traffic, provided that competitor does not gain a significant advantage. A boat using her engine for this purpose shall file a written report to the RC after finishing.
- **1.6** West Florida PHRF handicaps will apply for all divisions. Spinnaker, Racer Cruiser, Non-Spinnaker, and Cruising Class are being offered. In the event that there are insufficient entries for a specific class, received entries will be entered in an existing class and scored using their original class rating including all adjustments.
- **1.7** In the Cruising Class: Free-flying headsails are permitted and shall be tacked to the deck. Use of dousing sock and tackers is optional. Use of a cruising spinnaker shall be declared by emailing nood@sailingworld.com no later than 1000 on Friday February 18, 2022 and will reduce the Non-Spinnaker Offset by 50%.
- **1.8** All boats are required to abide by the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions with regard to the COVID-19 virus. Links to these documents will be posted on the Official Notice Board as they become available. [DP]

2. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- **2.1** Sailing Instructions for the North Sails Rally Race will be posted on the Official Notice Board immediately prior to the event.
- **2.2** Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices.
- 2.3 Class breaks will be published as an Addendum to the SI.





3. COMMUNICATION

- **3.1** The Official Notice Board is located online at: https://www.sailingworld.com/helly-hansen-nood-regatta-st-petersburg/.
- **3.2** [DP] All boats shall carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on US channels. This may change a class rule.
- **3.3** On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio. The channel will be stated in the Sl's.
- **3.4** [DP] While racing, 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.

4. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- **4.1** The regatta is open to any boat that has a West Florida PHRF rating of less than 275. A boat shall be assigned to a division according to rating and other factors at the discretion of the OA. All decisions of the OA regarding division assignments shall be final.
- **4.2** The race is open to those boats whose Owner and/or Skipper is a current member of their National Governing Body (US Sailing for USA members; to join, go online to www.ussailing.org).
- **4.3** Entries shall be completed on the Official Race website:

https://www.sailingworld.com/helly-hansen-nood-regattas/

- **4.4** Classes shall meet eligibility requirements no later than February 1, 2022. New and incomplete entries after February 1, 2022 will increase by \$25.00, this includes any unpaid entries.
- **4.5** A representative of each eligible boat shall check in with Sailing World Race management in person at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club before racing starts. All skipper and crew waivers must be completed before Check in.
- **4.6** Crew lists and waivers of liability must be submitted online by the close of registration on February 17, 2022. In order to complete the waiver online, skippers will need to complete the Crew List in the "Owner's Corner". 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. A boat's registration will not be final without a completed waiver from each participating crew member. A boat will not be scored without completing ALL registration requirements.
- **4.7** For Entries to be considered valid, all registration items must be completed including but not limited to crew waiver submission, paid fees, rating certificates submitted, etc. All incomplete registrations will be considered withdrawn from the regatta if incomplete on or after 1900 on Thursday, February 17, 2022.
- **4.8** A race entrant may participate in the North Sails Rally Race on Saturday, February 19, 2022 (see separate NOR) by contacting the OA prior to February 11, 2022. No additional entry fee will apply. That North Sails Rally Race competitor will be scored DNC for Saturday's One-Design races.
- **4.9** An entire one-design fleet may compete in the North Sails Rally Race if the fleet captain informs the organizing authority in writing of its decision no later than February 11, 2022. The North Sails Rally Race results will be scored as part of that fleet's overall Regatta score.





REGISTRATION DETAIL	DATE	LINK
Entry Opens for All North Sails Rally Race Classes	January 8, 2022	https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=14800
Last call for Early Bird Entry Discount - All Classes	By 2359hrs on February 1, 2022	https://yachtscoring.com/event_scratch_sheet.cf m?eid=14800
Last call for modified race format (2-day circle, 1-day distance)	By 2359hrs on February 11, 2022	Email requests to kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com
Last call to submit valid WFPHRF certificate	At 2359hrs on February 14, 2022	Email late entry requests to kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com
Online Registration Closes	At 2359hrs on February 15, 2022	Email late entry requests to kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com
Registration Closes	At 1900 on February 17, 2022	

5. FEES

- **5.1** Required entry fee for each North Sails Rally Race boat is \$75.
- **5.2** New and incomplete entries after February 1, 2022 will incur an administrative fee of \$25.00, this includes any unpaid or incomplete entries.
- **5.3** The entry fee includes the costs for race management, access to SPYC Club and Race facilities, and docking at St. Petersburg Yacht Club from Friday, February 18 Sunday, February 20. To request additional docking, please contact SPYC.
- **5.4** Entries may be accepted solely at the discretion of the OA. An entry is not valid until the entry form and fees are accepted by the organizing authority. To withdraw your entry, please email kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com no later than February 7, 2022. In the event that the regatta is canceled all entry fees will be credited in full.





5.5 Social events and fees are separate from entry fees; all sailors, members, and their guests are welcome. It is the intent of the OA to host a two-hour Happy Hour post racing on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at St. Petersburg Yacht Club on the 2nd Floor Pool Patio and SPYC Ballroom. Weekend Social Passes can be purchased in advance for \$50 per person (in advance) or \$100 per person (at the door) and includes access to the daily parties with food and beverages provided by St. Petersburg Yacht Club, Mount Gay Rum and Regatta Craft Mixers.

5.6 Due to possible state and local social restrictions due to the pandemic, Sailing World and St. Petersburg Yacht Club reserves the right to limit capacity, amend the social events and associated guidelines, and may provide refunds if canceled.

6. ADVERTISING

6.1 Boats are urged to refrain from displaying advertisements for businesses or products competing with those of the primary and support sponsors of the event.

6.2 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA, e.g., bow stickers, bow numbers, boom stickers, and/or flags.

7. SCHEDULE OF RACES

7.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held at 0830 on February 19, 2022 at SPYC.

7.2 The first warning signal is scheduled for 1030 on February 19, 2022.

8. MEASUREMENTS

A boat shall produce a valid West Florida PHRF certificate no later than February 14, 2022. Boats without a valid PHRF certificate shall make arrangements to obtain a rating by contacting https://www.westfloridaphrf.org no later than February 11, 2022. [DP]

9. VENUE

Racing will take place in the Tampa Bay area.

10. COURSE

The Race Committee (RC) intends to designate a random leg course ("RLC") of between 10 nm and 23 nm. The RC may adjust the course length at its discretion.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

11.1 US Sailing Prescription Appendix V1 - PENALTY AT THE TIME OF AN INCIDENT, will apply. **11.2** RRS Appendix T ARBITRATION will apply.

12. SCORING

Boats will be scored with times adjusted for current PHRF handicaps using Time-on-Distance (TOD).

13. BERTHING/HAUL-OUT RESTRICTIONS

Boats may be moored at the SPYC or the St. Petersburg Sailing Center, as assigned, February 18-20, 2022, free of charge. Boats wishing to arrive earlier or depart later, should contact the SPYC dock master at 727-822-3227 to make reservations.





14. RISK STATEMENT

14.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. The OA and SPYC 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.

14.2 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 the state and local laws, guidelines and recommendations as well as the host club's restrictions or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authorities, Race Officers, Regatta Committee members, or their representatives, may result in the disqualification of the boat, and its exclusion from the regatta.

14.3 It is the skipper's obligation to ensure that each crew member's waiver is reflected on the waiver list prior to closing of on-site registration and check-in.

15. 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.

16. PRIZES

16.1 Prizes will be awarded, after racing on North Sails Saturday, to the top three finishers of each qualifying class.

16.2 Additional prizes may be awarded to the top Junior Team (under 21 years of age), and top Mixed Plus Team (50% + female).

17. PHOTOGRAPHERS AND TV RIGHTS

Competitors give absolute right and permission to the OA 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.

18. ENVIRONMENTAL

Sailing World is working with Sailors for the Sea powered by Oceana to certify affiliated events as Clean Regattas. As a team, elevate our commitment to sustainability, follow the Clean Regatta Checklist and commit to being a Clean Regatta competitor. Please bring your reusable water bottles, recycle, and follow sustainable practices to keep our waters clean. Visit www.sailorsforthesea.org to learn more.

19. REGATTA CONTACT

For further information please contact: Sailing World Magazine 1170 E Main Rd #3 Portsmouth, RI 02871 kelly.ferro@sailingworld.com

