



ST PETERSBURG YACHT CLUB

Florida State Championship Series/Green Bench Regatta

April 16-17, 2016

St. Petersburg, FL

NOTICE OF RACE

1. Rules:

- 1.1. The Organizing Authority and host is the St. Petersburg Yacht Club.
- 1.2. The regatta is a J/24 Class Association sanctioned event in conjunction with the local J/24 Fleet #169.
- 1.3. The regatta will be governed by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and the current International J/24 Class Rules except as changed by the Sailing Instructions. Prescriptions for rules 60.3, 63.2, and 63.4 will not apply.
- 1.4. The Green Bench Regatta is part of the Florida State Series.

2. Eligibility & Entry:

- 2.1. Competitors (Owners and Helmsmen) must meet all ownership and J/24 Class Association membership requirements in order to be eligible for Florida State Series scoring and must complete all aspects of the registration process. Class membership is not mandatory in order to compete solely in the Green Bench Regatta. All boats/crews must conform to current class requirements and be available for spot check if necessary.
- 2.2. This is an advance registration event. Entry may be completed online by using the link found at www.spyc.org or www.yachtscoring.com
- 2.3. 6 registered boats are necessary for a regatta.

3. Fees:

- 3.1. The entry fee is **\$100** per boat, which includes launching (Hoist), 2 days of racing, and beverages on Saturday after racing.
- 3.2. Online entry will close at 1700 Thursday **April 14th, 2016**.

4. Schedule

Saturday, April 16, 2016

1130-1230	Regatta Check in (SPSC Classroom)
1230	Competitors Meeting (SPSC Classroom)
1400	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day

Sunday, April 17, 2016

0930	Warning signal for 1 st race of the day
1300	No warning signal after this time

5. Sailing Instructions:

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration and at www.yachtscoring.com no later than 1600 hrs on Friday April 15th.

6. Inspection & Measurement:

- 6.1 The regatta shall abide by the J/24 class rules of sailing with the following modifications.
Rule 2.5.1, measurement certificate will not be required to race.

7. Racing Area:

7.1 The racing area will be Tampa Bay, Florida, East of the Municipal Pier.

8. Scoring:

8.1 When fewer than five races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

8.2 When five or more races have been completed a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8.3 Boats scored TLE will be scored points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus two points by the race committee without a hearing. This changes rule A4.2, A5, and A11.

9. Awards:

9.1. Prizes will be awarded for the top 3 boats finishing the regatta.

10. Regatta Contacts:

Chairperson: Bill McCarthy mccarthywe@gmail.com 727-744-0809

SPYC Rep: Todd Fedyszyn youthsailingdirector@spyc.org 813-635-6940

11. Launching and Rafting:

11.1. All yachts will be wet sailed during the regatta and shall be launched by 1200 hrs on Saturday April 16th. For the purposes of launching, a hoist is available at the St. Petersburg Sailing Center.

11.2 **SPSC Rules** require sailors and/or coaches to make special arrangements with the waterfront director Shawn Macking, 727-822-3113 or via e-mail waterfront-director@spyc.org for loading and unloading, parking and loading trailers. Vehicles, trailers and boats left at the SPSC more than 48 hours after the end of an event may be towed at owner's expense unless prior arrangements have been made. Storage Areas - For extended stays-Please Contact Shawn Macking, SPSC Waterfront Director at waterfront-director@spyc.org 727-822-3113

11.3 Competitors who are not members of SPYC or SPSC must sign a Sailing Center Liability Waiver Agreement for hoisting and retrieving.

Other information can be found on the following websites: SPYC web page www.spyc.org

12. Disclaimer

Disclaimer of Liability: Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS Rule 4, Decision to Race. Neither the organizing authority nor the host organization, nor the sponsors will accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

Additional Information

1. SPYC requests that everyone who does not have reciprocity get a Guest Card using a Visa or MasterCard credit card. This can be done online (www.spyc.org). On the Home page click on the menu item "Sailing". Scroll down and click on "SPYC Guest Card". Fill out the information and click "Submit".
2. The Club requests you and your crew members to submit 48 hours in advance of April 16th, 2016.
3. Guest cards may be picked up at the Front Desk upon arrival.
4. For Hotel-Motel Accommodations near SPYC go to the SPYC website at www.spyc.org. On the Home Page scroll to Quick links and then click on Accommodations for the area where you wish to stay.



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