



## **NOTICE OF RACE**

### **So. Cal. Open Development Act (SODA)**

#### **A Youth Match Race Regatta**

February 11-12, 2012

**Balboa Yacht Club**  
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- 1) **ORGANIZING AUTHORITY**  
The Organizing Authority (OA) for this event is Balboa Yacht Club (BYC).
  - 2) **VENUE**  
The venue will be in the Pacific Ocean adjacent to Newport Beach, California, USA.
  - 3) **DATES**  
The event will be sailed February 11<sup>th</sup> and 12th 2012.
  - 4) **EVENT GRADING**  
This event is not graded. This is subject to change without notice.
  - 5) **ELIGIBILITY**
    - a) All competitors shall not have reached their 19th birthday prior to July 15, 2012.
    - b) Each skipper shall be a member of US SAILING.
    - c) Each skipper shall be a member of a club or organization affiliated with US SAILING.
    - d) Crew need not be a member of a club or organization, or if a member, belong to the skipper's club or organization.
  - 6) **ENTRIES**
    - a) Entries must be received no later than January 20, 2012.
    - b) Entries will be limited to eight (8) teams.
    - c) A non-refundable entry fee of US\$50 shall be paid to BYC, in cash or check made payable to Balboa Yacht Club, no later than 0930 hours of February 11, 2012.
    - d) The skipper shall be entered on completion entry and the payment of all fees and deposits.
  - 7) **DAMAGE DEPOSIT**
    - a) An initial damage deposit of US\$250 shall be paid by separate check made payable to Balboa Yacht Club.
    - b) In the event that a deduction from the damage deposit is decided by the OA, the cost of repairs will be paid from the deposit of the skipper responsible for the damage.
    - c) A detailed accounting of expended funds will be rendered to any skipper not receiving their full deposit back.
    - d) Any remaining deposit will be refunded within ten (10) business days. The damage deposit for boats not incurring any damage will be returned at the conclusion of the event.
  - 8) **INSURANCE**  
The OA does not provide any form of protection (insurance, assumption of liability, etc.) to competitors for property loss, property damage or injury to person(s) that they may be held responsible for; competitors are advised to have their own insurance for such matters.

9) RULES

a) The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), including Appendix C.

10) BOATS AND SAILS

a) The event will be sailed in Governor's Cup 21 (GC21) boats provided by the OA.  
b) All sails will be provided.

11) CREW (INCLUDING SKIPPER)

a) The number of crew (including the skipper) shall be three (3) or four (4).  
b) All registered crew shall sail all races.  
c) The maximum total crew weight shall be 579 lbs (262.5 Kg).

12) SCHEDULE, NOTICES

a) A mandatory skippers meeting will be held each day of the event on the BYC Flag Deck at 0930 hours.  
b) The first attention signal for the first race of each day of the event will be at 1130 hours.

13) EVENT FORMAT

The following format is planned however the OA may change the format, including terminating or eliminating any round or stage, when conditions do not permit the completion of the intended format.

Stage	Description
1	A single round robin of all teams
2	A semi-finals knockout of the top four teams
3	A finals knockout of the top two Stage 2 teams, a petit finals knockout of the remaining Stage 2 teams
4	A consolation round for the teams finishing 5th or lower

14) COURSE

The course will be windward/leeward, windward/leeward, with starboard rounding, finishing downwind.

15) COACHES AND COACH BOATS

a) Coaching is permitted at this event.  
b) All coaches shall check in with the OA prior to the first skippers meeting to receive coaching and coach boat related information.  
c) Coach boats will not be provided.

16) OTHER REQUIREMENTS

a) Competitors shall provide their own US Coast Guard approved Type II or Type III Personal Floatation Device (PFD).  
b) While aboard a GC21, except briefly when changing clothes, competitors shall wear a properly secured PFD outside of all clothing, including foul weather gear. This changes the preamble to Part 4 of the RRS and RRS 40.

17) AWARDS

Awards will be presented on the final day of racing, immediately following the event.

18) MEDIA, IMAGES AND SOUND

The OA shall have the right to use any images and sound recorded during the event free of any charge.

19) DISCLAIMER

All those taking part in the event do so at their own risk. The OA, its associates and appointees accept no responsibility for any loss, damage, injury or inconvenience incurred, howsoever caused.

20) HOUSING

For assistance with housing during the regatta, please contact Steve Kent at (714) 679-9797.

21) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Direct all questions and requests for additional information to the Balboa Yacht Club Sailing Administrator Becky Lenhart at [sailing@balboayachtclub.com](mailto:sailing@balboayachtclub.com) or (949) 673-3515 x133.