



GRAND MASTER 3 V. 3 INVITATIONAL TEAM RACE  
**FOR THE PALMER PERPETUAL TROPHY**  
APRIL 9- APRIL 10, 2018  
**NOTICE OF RACE**

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The Organizing Authority ("OA") is the Newport Harbor Yacht Club.

**1 RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing, including the US Sailing prescriptions, and Appendix D.
- 1.2 The Harbor 20 Class rules will not apply.
- 1.3 RRS D2 Umpired Races will apply.

**2 BOATS**

Harbor 20 type boats will be provided by the OA for competing teams.

**3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 3.1 Only yacht club teams invited by the OA will be eligible to enter this event.
- 3.2 Acceptance of the invitation shall be made by submitting the electronic entry form and paying the \$500USD non-refundable entry bond no later than January 31, 2018.
- 3.3 Team Composition
  - each team shall consist of 6 sailors;
  - all must be bona fide members or spouses, in good standing, of the yacht club they represent;
  - all helmsmen must be 60 years of age or older by April 9, 2018 (or aged 57-59 and have previously skippered in the NHYC Palmer Trophy);
  - all crew must be 50 years of age or older by April 9, 2018;
  - all helmsmen must be current members of a World Sailing Member National Authority (MNA) during the regatta.

Each team shall submit a crew list and eligibility affidavit (provided) which will include information for each competitor, their club membership, and age to NHYC along with the \$350USD remainder of the entry fee by March 19, 2018. The OA reserves the right to make reasonable exceptions to the eligibility requirements on a case-by-case basis.

**3.4 Crew Substitution**

Substitutions will not be allowed, except in an emergency as approved by the OA.

**4 FEES**

**Entry Fee:** The entry fee for this regatta is \$850USD, which includes the \$500USD non-refundable entry bond. All entry fees are non refundable after March 12, 2018.

Payable via Check  
Newport Harbor Yacht Club  
c/o Race Office  
720 West Bay Avenue  
Newport Beach, CA 92661

Payable via Wire Transfer  
First Republic Bank  
San Francisco, CA  
ABA Routing Number: 321081669  
Newport Harbor Yacht Club Acct. DD 80006046280  
Swift Code: FRBBUS6S

**Damage Deposit:** An initial damage deposit of \$750USD shall be paid at registration. This deposit is the maximum payable by the team as a result of any one incident.

In the event a deduction from the damage deposit is required by the OA, it may further require that the deposit be restored to its original amount before the team will be permitted to continue in the event.

Unreported non-attributable damage will be charged equally to all the teams who have used the boat between the last known time when the boat was not damaged and when the damage is discovered, unless those who caused the damage are identified.

Any deposit remaining at the conclusion of the event will be refunded within thirty (30) days.

## **5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Boats will be available for practice sailing on Sunday, April 8, 2018, beginning at 1500. Attendance is strongly encouraged. Please contact the NHYC Race Office (laurel.dinwiddie@nhycstaff.org) to reserve boats.

	<b>Sunday April 8</b>	<b>Monday April 9</b>	<b>Tuesday April 10</b>
Practice	1500 - 1700	—	—
Check In	1500 - 1700	0830-0930	—
Race Committee Briefing	—	0930	0930
First Warning	—	1100	1100
Umpire Debriefing	—	after racing	after racing
Trophy Presentation	—	—	after racing

## **6 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

The sailing instructions will be available no later than Sunday, April 8 on [www.nhyc.org](http://www.nhyc.org), and at check in.

## **7 FORMAT**

The format will be based on the number of teams registered and the weather conditions. Possible formats include but are not limited to: Round Robin, Split Fleet Round Robin, and Elimination Ladder, followed by quarterfinals, semifinals, and finals. The format to be attempted, contingency formats (if any) and changes to the format will be described fully in the sailing instructions.

## **8 COURSE**

The course may be a box, digital "N" or any variation of a triangular or other course. Course diagrams will be provided in the sailing instructions.

## **9 VENUE**

Races will be conducted in the harbor north of the NHYC main dock.

## **10 SCORING**

Scoring will be in accordance with Appendix D, except as modified by the sailing instructions.

## **11 PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 immediately after racing.

## **12 CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 12.1 Competitors shall comply with any reasonable request from any official, including attendance at official functions and shall not behave so as to bring the event or the sport into disrepute.

- 12.2 Competitors are expected to comply fully with RRS 2 at all times. Abuse or intimidation of other competitors, race officials, or officials of the host club will not be tolerated. All such incidents whether or not they include umpire initiated penalties, shall be reported to the Chief Umpire. Repeated incidents by individuals or teams shall be reported to the protest committee and may be considered gross misconduct (a gross breach of sportsmanship).
- 12.3 No competitor shall consume alcoholic beverages on race days either on or off the water until they have finished their final race each day.
- 12.4 The following actions are strictly prohibited while afloat:
- the use of tobacco products;
  - urination into the harbor.

### **13 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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.

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