

NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

The Regatta is organised by the Phuket Yacht Club (PYC).

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by:
- 1.2. The OMR rule for Multihulls.
- 1.3. The current IRC Rules, part A,B and C. except that IRC Rule 22.4.2 shall not apply. There will be no limitations on crew weight except as required for boats rated as one designs which shall comply with IRC Rule 22.4.1.
- 1.4. The principals of the World Sailing Empirical Performance Handicap System for PHS Classes.
- 1.5. The Class rules of other O.D. classes considered acceptable by the organizers, Phuket Yacht Club
- 1.6. This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.
- 1.7. In case of conflict, the Sailing Instructions will prevail (this changes RRS Rule 63.7).
- 1.8. World Sailing Offshore Special Regulations Appendix B shall apply to all boats except that:
 - a) The requirement to be self-righting will not apply; and lifelines will not be required. [NP]
 - b) Boats racing on a one-design certificate shall comply with their class safety regulations, sail limitations and other regulations where they differ from World Sailing Special Regulations. [NP]
 - c) All boats shall carry an operational marine band VHF radio and monitor the designated channels from 30 minutes before any scheduled start until after finishing. [NP]
- 1.9. RRS 52, Manual Power, shall not apply.
- 1.10. Multihull Boats using stored power for the adjustment or operation of running rigging shall declare this to the OMR Rating Authority.
- 1.11. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.12. Boats maybe required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

2. Eligibility and Entry

- 2.1. The Regatta is open to all **mono and multihulls with a length overall of greater than 6 meters** that are acceptable to the Race Committee.
- 2.2. The Regatta will receive entries from One Design, OMR, IRC and PHS classes (subject to entries received) under the handicap systems specified in the table below. A performance handicap system (PHS) may be run concurrently for all classes.

Class	Description	Rating System
Racing Monohulls	Monohull boats with valid IRC 2023 Certificates	IRC Handicap System
Cruising Monohulls	Monohull Boats considered by the Organising Committee as Cruising Orientated.	PYC Regatta Rating
Racing Multihulls	Multihulls with Valid OMR Ratings	OMR Handicap System
Cruising Multihulls	Multihulls considered by the organisers as Cruising Orientated.	PYC Regatta Rating
One-design Classes/Divisions	One-design classes with 4 or more boats	One Design Class Rule Scoring

- 2.3. The Race Committee may change the above eligibility factors and number of classes based on its analysis of entries received. A minimum of 4 boats are required to constitute a class or division, however exemptions may be made at the races committee's discretion.
- 2.4. Application for entry shall be made on the official Entry Form, which are available at PYC and online from this site. Entries should be submitted online at www.phuketyachtclub.com Entries may be made up until close of registration at 17:30 hrs.

2.5. Standard Entry Fee: 10,000 Thai baht per boat.

Special Rate for PYC Members: **8,000** Thai baht per boat.

2.6. To be considered an entry in the event, a boat shall complete all registration requirements and pay all fees.

3. SCHEDULE

Proposed Schedule			
Thursday 21 st November	Registration and Weigh-In.	16:00-17:30	
	Skippers Briefing at PYC		
Friday 22 nd November	First Warning Signal	13:00	
Saturday 23 rd November	First Warning Signal	13:30	
Sunday 24 th November	First Warning Signal	14:00	
	Buffet & Prize Giving	19:00	

4. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.

5. COURSES

- 5.1. Racing will take place in or in the environs of Ao Chalong.
- 5.2. Courses will be chosen to take into account the prevailing or forecast conditions for each race.
- 5.3. Windward/leeward courses will held in Ao Chalong Bay
- 5.4. Coastal courses will take place around islands, fixed navigation marks and inflatable buoys in and around the environs of Ao Chalong.
- 5.5. Course diagrams will be issued with the Sailing Instructions.

6. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 6.1. For all classes, RRS 44.3 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 6.2. The intention is to appoint a Local Protest Committee.

7. SCORING

- 7.1. For all classes, a maximum of 7 races are scheduled.
 - a) When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores.
 - (b) When 5 races or more have been completed, a boat's series score is the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

8. RADIO COMMUNICATION

8.1. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

9. PRIZES

- 9.1. A trophy will be awarded to the winning yacht in each class.
- 9.2. Second and third place prizes will also be awarded in each class.

10. INSPECTION

10.1. All yachts shall be liable for inspection in accordance with applicable safety and measurement requirements.

11. INSURANCE

11.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance to a minimum cover of Thai Baht Twenty Million (or equivalent) for the duration of the event.

12. RISK STATEMENT

12.1. 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. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia or other causes.

13. DISCLAIMER

13.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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. FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information please check www.phuketyachtclub.com.

Or contact: racing@phuketyachtclub.com