

PRELIMINARY NOTICE OF RACE

Organising Authority

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

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* 2021-24 and by:
- 1.2. The Firefly 850 Sports One Design Class Rules, Firefly Class rep. John Newnham.
- 1.3. The Platu 25
- 1.4. Other O.D. classes considered acceptable by the organizers, Phuket Yacht Club
- 1.5. This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions
- 1.6. In case of conflict, the Sailing Instructions will prevail (this changes RRS Rule 63.7).
- 1.7. World Sailing Offshore (OSR) Special Regulations for Inshore Racing in daylight hours shall apply to all boats except that: the requirement to be self-righting will not apply; and lifelines will not be required.
- 1.8. 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.
- 1.9. No national prescriptions will apply.
- 2.0. 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 brackets below. A performance handicap system (PHS) will be run concurrently for all classes.

Class 1 – Monohull (IRC and PHS)

Class 2 - Multihull (OMR and PHS)

Class 3 – Firefly 850

Class 4 - Platu 25

- 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 18:00 hrs. Thursday, March 28th 2024
- 2.5. Entry Fee THB 10,000 per boat, THB 8,000 for members, no crew fees are applicable.

3.0 Schedule of Events

The following is the proposed schedule for the 2024 Regatta

Thursday March 28th Registration and weigh-in if required 16:00 – 18:00

Friday March 29th Race Day #2 Up to 3 races scheduled

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09:00	Race briefing
11:00	First Warning Signal
16:00	Refreshments at PYC
Saturday March 30 th Race Day #2 Up to 3 races scheduled	
11:00	First Warning Signal
16:00	Refreshments at PYC
Sunday March 31st Race Day #3 Up to 3 races scheduled	
11:00	First Warning Signal
18:00	Final prize giving dinner at PYC

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 and surrounding islands.
- 5.2. Courses will be chosen to take into account prevailing or forecast conditions for each race.
- 5.3. Windward/leeward courses will be located 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, rule 44.1 is changed so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One-Turn Penalty.
- 6.2. Decisions by the protest committee will be final as provided in rule 70.5.

7. **SCORING**

- 7.1. For all classes, a maximum of 9 races are scheduled.
- 7.2. Two completed races are required to constitute a series.
- 7.3. If 5 of more races are completed a competitor's worst race score will be discarded.

8. **CREW WEIGHT**

8.1. Firefly 850 Sports One Design

In accordance with class rules.

9. RADIO COMMUNICATION

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.

10. PRIZES

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

11. **INSPECTION**

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

12. *** INSURANCE

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

13. **DISCLAIMER**

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, 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.