



2017 OAKCLIFF TRIPLE CROWN SERIES

Proudly Presented by Oakcliff Sailing
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NOTICE OF RACE

Abbreviations:

PC - protest committee	RC - race committee
OA - organising authority	NA - national authority
RRS - racing rules of sailing	SI - sailing instructions
IJ - International Jury	NOR - notice of race

1 RULES

- 1.1 The series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The US Sailing Prescriptions shall apply.
- 1.3 RRS Appendix P, Special Procedures for Rule 42 will be addressed for each class in the sailing instructions.
- 1.4 For the Nacra 17, 49er and 49erFX classes RRS 44.1 and RRS P2.1 are changed so that the two-turn penalty is replaced by a one turn penalty. For 470 Men and 470 Women the two-turn penalty is not changed. The sailing instructions may also change other racing rules.
- 1.5 'Athlete', 'competitor' and 'team' mean a person or persons competing or intending to compete in the series.
- 1.6 Class rules will apply.
- 1.7 Rules as described in the official documentation for the Qualifier Events described in NOR 6.1 shall be in effect for those events only.
- 1.8 There may be fleet racing umpiring for some or all classes.

2 ADVERTISING

Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the OA.

3 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 Qualifier Events and the Triple Crown Series event are open to boats of the 49er, 49erFX, Nacra 17, 470 Men and 470 Women who have been issued an invitation by the OA.

- 3.2 Invitations may be requested by completing the invitation request form available online at: <https://goo.gl/forms/sc8zBv64BLeqGjNk2>
Invitation requests for all events will be accepted beginning April 15, 2017. Invitations will begin to be issued May 15, 2017.
- 3.3 Teams who receive an invitation may enter by following the instructions and adhering to the timing outlined on the invitation letter.
- 3.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the OA.
- 3.5 The following restrictions on the number of boats apply: Each class must have no less than four (4) boats registered for Triple Crown Series events to be given a start. Classes may be combined at the discretion of the OA to meet this restriction.
- 4 FEES
- 4.1 Required fees are as follows:
(a) Each Qualifier Event held at Oakcliff as described in NOR 5.2 will have a registration fee of \$200.
(b) Each Triple Crown Series event as described in NOR 5.4 will have a registration fee of \$250.
- 4.2 Other fees:
(a) Housing may be available on a first come first served basis at the rate of \$35 for the 1st night and \$25 for subsequent and contiguous nights on a per person basis. Housing requests may be made through the OA.
b) Coach boat fee is \$150 per coach boat per event.
- 5 QUALIFIER EVENTS AND TRIPLE CROWN SERIES
- 5.1 There are two (2) Qualifier Events for the 2017 Oakcliff Triple Crown Series. The top two (2) skippers of US Sailing Team eligible teams (skipper and crew) at each of the Qualifier Events will be awarded an invitation to all three (3) of the Triple Crown Series events as described in NOR 5.4.
- 5.2. The two (2) Qualifier Events by class are as follows:
- | <i>Classes</i> | <i>Events</i> |
|-----------------------|---|
| All Classes | June 3-4 at Oakcliff Sailing, Oyster Bay, NY |
| 49er & 49erFX | June 23-25 North American Champs, Kingston, Ontario |
| Nacra 17, 470M & 470W | June 24 -25 at Oakcliff Sailing, Oyster Bay, NY |
- 5.3 Invitations will be issued to up to two (2) international competitors and up to twelve (12) additional competitors at the discretion of the OA and the invitation committee, and will take into consideration, US Sailing Team membership, resume and competitor performance at recent events.

5.4 The Oakcliff Triple Crown Series will consist of three (3) regattas. These three (3) events are as follows:

All Classes

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 1 - July 21-23, 2017

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 2 - September 29-October 1, 2017

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 3 - October 6-8, 2017

6 PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE FOR TRIPLE CROWN SERIES

6.1 Registration & Equipment Inspection:

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 1 - Friday, July 21 from 1000hrs to 1800hrs

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 2 - Friday, September 29 from 1000hrs to 1800hrs

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 3 - Friday, October 6 from 1000hrs to 1800hrs

6.2 Dates of Racing for all classes:

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 1 - Saturday, July 22 and Sunday, July 23

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 2 - Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1

Oakcliff Triple Crown Series Stage 3 - Saturday, October 7 and Sunday, October 8

6.3 Provisional Schedule of events for all stages in Triple Crown Series

Friday	1000	Registration and Equipment Inspection
Saturday	0900	Competitors' Meeting at Oakcliff Beach
	1030	First Signal
	1830*	Casual BBQ Dinner at 2 South St. (2 tickets included, additional may be purchased onsite for \$25)
Sunday	1000	First Signal
	1600	No Warning Signal After
	1630	Post-Racing Refreshments on Oakcliff Beach for Pack-Up & Prize-giving

7 MEASUREMENT

7.1 All boats may be inspected for Class Rules compliance prior to racing. Boats can be randomly inspected for compliance at any time during the events. It is the competitors' responsibility to meet all class equipment rules.

7.2 Equipment shall only be replaced with the written permission of the Jury.

7.3 A boat shall comply with RRS 78.1 at all times while racing.

8 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 The sailing instructions for each Qualifier Event are in effect for that event only.

8.2 The sailing instructions for the Triple Crown Series will be available online through the Oakcliff Sailing website after July 1, 2017.

9 VENUE

- 9.1 The Qualifier Events will be sailed in the venues described in the official documents of each event.
- 9.2 The Triple Crown Series events will be held at Oakcliff Sailing on the waters of Oyster Bay, Cold Spring Harbor and/or Long Island Sound. See Attachment A - Venue and Racing Areas for the location of the venue and location of the racing areas.
- 10 THE COURSES
The courses will be windward/leeward style courses and trapezoid style courses. Diagrams of the courses will be provided in the sailing instructions.
- 11 SCORING
- 11.1 The Scoring System as described in the official documentation for the 49er and 49erFx North American Championships shall be in effect for that Qualifier Event only. For the Qualifier Events held at Oakcliff and the Triple Crown Series events, Appendix A4 low point scoring will be used.
- 11.2 Two (2) races are required to be completed in each of the Qualifier Events at Oakcliff and the Triple Crown Series events for each event to constitute a regatta.
- 11.3 When fewer than three (3) races have been completed in that class, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 3 or more races have been completed, a boats score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.
- 12 SUPPORT BOATS
Support boats shall check-in during registration times as described in NOR 7.1 and shall be marked with a flag provided by the OA at registration.
- 13 RADIO COMMUNICATION
Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.
- 14 PRIZES FOR THE TRIPLE CROWN SERIES
- 14.1 Prize Grants for the Triple Crown Series will be allocated as follows:
Each class will have a \$100,000 Prize Grant Pool to be split between the three (3) Triple Crown Series events as described in NOR 6.4 and subject to NOR 14.3. The prize grants will be distributed for each event within the classes as follows:
1st - 35% (\$11,667 per class, per event)
2nd - 20% (\$6,666 per class, per event)
3rd - 15% (\$5,000 per class, per event)
4th-8th - 6% (\$2,000 per class, per event)

- 14.2 The top three boats in each class will receive an Oakcliff prize.
- 14.3 The following restrictions on the prize grant allocation as described in NOR 14:
- (a) If a minimum of eight (8) teams in any class compete in any individual Triple Crown Series event 100% of the prize grant pool will be allocated for that class in that event.
 - (b) If more than four (4) teams but less than eight (8) teams in any class compete in any individual Triple Crown Series event 50% of the prize grant pool will be allocated for that class in that event.
 - (c) If less than four (4) teams compete in any given event, the event may or may not be held at the discretion of the OA, however no prize grants will be awarded for that class in that event.
 - (d) Teams eligible for qualification to the US Sailing Team will be allocated prize grant **funds** at 100% of distribution as described in NOR 14.1. International teams defined as any who are not or would not be eligible for qualification to the US Sailing Team shall be allocated prize grant funds at 50% of distribution as described in NOR 14.1.
 - (e) If a skipper and crew stop sailing as a team prize grant money not already distributed will be split 50/50 once the OA is notified in writing.
- 14.4 Terms and Conditions for the release of prize grant funds can be found in Attachment B - Terms and Conditions for Prize Grants.
- 14.5 Prize Grants may only be redeemed pursuant to the rules for grants set forth in Addendum B and have no independent cash value.
- 15 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY
Competitors participate in the Series 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 Qualifier Events or Triple Crown Series events. Furthermore, the OA has no legal connections to certain events selected as Qualifier Events and will not accept any liability for issues that arise at any outside Qualifier Events.
- 16 MEDIA RIGHTS, CAMERAS AND ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT
- 16.1 By participating in the Oakcliff Triple Crown Series and the associated Qualifier Events, competitors automatically grant the OA, Nacra 17, the International 49er and 49erFX Class Associations and the International 470 Class and their sponsors, the right in perpetuity to make, use and show, from time to time at their discretion, any motion pictures and live, taped or filmed television and other reproductions of the athlete during the period of competition without compensation.

16.2 Boats may be required to carry cameras, sound equipment or positioning equipment as specified by the OA.

16.3 Competitors may be required for interviews and press conferences before and after racing at the Triple Crown Series events.

17 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall carry valid insurance including third party liability coverage of at least USD \$500,000 (or equivalent) per incident.

18 FURTHER INFORMATION

18.1 Charter boats may be available upon request from Oakcliff Sailing. Interested parties can fill out the charter request form found here: <http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=gstinjdab&oeidk=a07ee0zpbdp2bae263c> . If link does not work automatically please copy and paste in your browser.

18.2 For general logistics and planning information, please refer to Oakcliff's website at <https://www.oakcliffsailing.org/about-oakcliff/where-to-stay/>.

18.3 Organizing Authority:

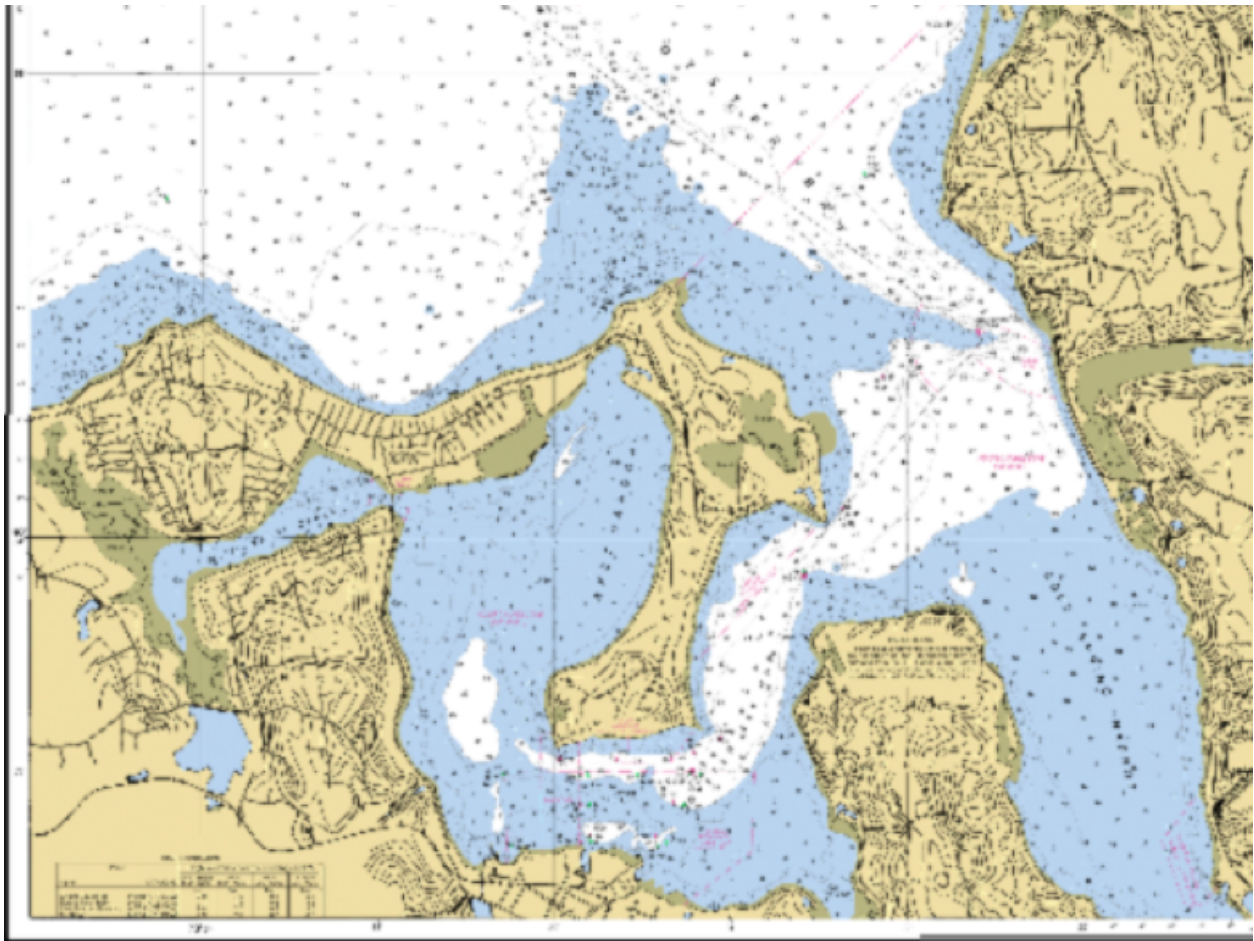
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ATTACHMENT A - VENUE AND RACING AREAS



Main Hosting Venue:

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ADDENDUM B - TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PRIZE GRANTS

Prize Grants

Prize Grants are the funds held in trust for the teams and are to be paid out according to the procedures which, are in part, but not comprehensively listed below:

Specifically allowed expenses include: entry fees, regatta travel expenses, boat transportation costs, coaching fees, a food per-diem of \$30/day when training or at a regatta.

Equipment Excluded: Complete boats and hulls.

Prohibited expenses include: rent, alcohol, uniforms, excessively expensive travel, partner's and friends expenses, etc.

Exceptions may be allowed with clear explanation as to how that expense is mission-critical to an athlete's goal of winning an Olympic medal and with prior approval a minimum of 30 days before expenditure.

Administration

Pre-Approved budgets are expected be paid within 15 days of receipt of proper documentation.

Non-preapproved expenses may take up to 30 days from receipt of proper documentation before payout.

No grants will be paid out without proper documentation (receipts).