

**2015 Vanguard 15 National Championship**  
**Treasure Island, San Francisco, CA**  
**September 5-6, 2015**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

The regatta will be organized by the Treasure Island Sailing Center and Vanguard 15 Fleet 53.

**1. RULES**

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 RRS 40 is changed as follows: Competitors shall wear USGC approved personal flotation devices while on the water, except for brief periods while changing or adjusting clothing.
- 1.3 Appendix T Section A (PENALTIES WHILE RACING) shall apply.
- 1.4 Appendix T Section B (POST RACE PENALTIES) shall apply.
- 1.5 Class Rule 4.2 is amended to permit the use of non-builder sails; however boats must declare their use at registration and will not be eligible for the 1st Place Prize and recognition as the Class National Champion, which will pass sequentially in the order of finishes to the next eligible boat. All other Class Rules will apply. A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with Class Rules.
- 1.6 Boats may be required to display bow numbers provided by the organizing authorities.

**2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

- 2.1 The regatta is open to all boats of the Vanguard 15 one-design class that complete registration for the regatta.
- 2.2 Each skipper shall be a member of the Vanguard 15 Class Association.
- 2.3 Eligible boats may enter by completing online registration and paying the entry fees by credit or debit card. The regular registration deadline is **August 15, 2015**. No registrations will be accepted after **September 5, 2015**.
- 2.4 A Waiver and Release of Liability form must be signed by each participant at on site check in. No boat will be allowed to participate without completing these forms for all sailors participating.
- 2.5 Crew substitutions must be approved by the race committee in writing and shall comply with NOR 2.4.

**3. FEES**

- 3.1 The regatta entry fee is \$150. This fee includes breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday; lunch on Sunday; and two T-shirts.
- 3.2 A late fee of \$30 will be applied to all registrations completed after 6 pm PDT on **August 15, 2015**.

#### 4. SCHEDULE

##### 4.1 Friday, September 4, 2015

1400-1700	Practice races
1800	Social event

##### Saturday, September 5, 2015

0900-1000	Check in
1030	Skippers' meeting
1100	Lunch
1200	First warning signal, additional races to follow
1700	No races started after this time
1800	Class meeting
1830	Dinner and drinks at TISC

##### Sunday, September 6, 2015

1030	Skippers' briefing
1100	Lunch
1200	First warning for the day, additional races to follow
1600	No races started after this time
1700	Social and awards

4.2 14 races are scheduled.

#### 5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available on site at check in. An unofficial version of the sailing instructions may be available on the Vanguard 15 Fleet 53 website after September 2, 2015.

#### 6. VENUE

The racing area will be in Clipper Cove and waters to the east of Clipper Cove.

#### 7. THE COURSES

7.1 The courses will be windward/leeward or triangle type courses, with the start/finish line below the leeward gate.

7.2 A course chart and course descriptions will be provided with the sailing instructions.

7.3 The target time for the first boat to sail the course and finish will be 30 minutes.

#### 8. SCORING

8.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.

8.2 (a) When fewer than six (6) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

(b) When from six (6) to twelve (12) races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

(c) When thirteen (13) or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

**9. BERTHING**

Boats shall be kept and launched at the Treasure Island Sailing Center.

**10. PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the top five (5) finishers. The top finisher will be recognized as the Vanguard 15 Class National Champion.

**11. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

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.

**12. INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance.

**13. CHARTER BOATS**

A limited number of charter boats will be available on a first-come, first serve basis. Charterers should plan on bringing their own blades, lines and sails.

**14. FURTHER INFORMATION**

For further information including charters, travel, local food and lodging options, local conditions, and other event topics please see the Vanguard 15 Fleet 53 website:  
<http://vanguard15.org/schedule/826>

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