

Viper 640 Gulf Coast Championship



April 18–19, 2020

NOTICE OF RACE

1 RULES

- 1.1 Racing shall be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The current International Viper 640 Class Rules shall apply
- 1.3 The notation "[DP]" in this Notice of Race means the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.4 The notation "[NP]" in this NoR means a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 61.1(a).

2 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The Viper 640 Gulf Coast Championship is open to all Viper 640 boats sailing in compliance with the current International Viper 640 Class Rules.
- 2.2 Registration is available at Regatta Network: https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20272

3 FEES

- 3.1 \$90.00 for **paid** entries received no later than 2000hrs on Wednesday, April 1, 2020.
- 3.2 \$115.00 for entries received after 2000hrs on Wednesday, April 1, 2020.
- 3.3 Registration fee includes registration for the event, regatta t-shirt for skipper and two (2) crew, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, post-race snacks and beverages on Saturday and Sunday, competitors' bar-b-que dinner on Saturday evening at FYC.
- 3.4 Guest tickets (\$35.00) and regatta shirts (\$20.00) will be available for purchase at Registration.

4 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

4.1	Saturday, April 18	0830-1030 0800-1000	Breakfast available, FYC Jubilee Room Registration, FYC Ballroom
		1000	Registration closes
		1100	Competitors' Meeting, FYC Ballroom
		1255	Warning signal for first race; additional races as signaled by the
			Race Committee
		1900	Competitors' dinner, FYC Jubilee Room
	Sunday, April 19	0800-0930	Breakfast available, FYC Jubilee Room
		1055	Warning signal for first race of the day; additional races as
			signaled by the Race Committee
			No warning signal will be made after 1400hrs

4.2 A maximum of eight (8) races are scheduled, with a maximum of five (5) races on the first day. Two (2) races completed shall constitute a series.

5 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 5.1 The Sailing Instructions will be available at Regatta Network no later than April 1, 2020, (https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/20272) and will be posted on the Official Notice Board at FYC no later than 1800hrs on Friday, April 17, 2020.
- 5.2 The Official Notice Board shall be located in the FYC Ballroom.

6 ORGANIZING AUTHORITY and RACING AREA

The Organizing Authority is: Fairhope Yacht Club
101 Volanta Avenue

Fairhope, Alabama 36532

The racing area shall be Mobile Bay, west of the channel entrance to Fairhope Yacht Club.

7 COURSES

The courses shall be drop-marks, windward/leeward as shown in the Sailing Instructions.

8 PENALTY SYSTEM

RRS Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, will apply as specified in the Sailing Instructions.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 The Low Point Scoring System, *RRS Appendix A4*, will apply.
- 9.2 The number of races completed to permit a throw-out shall be six (6).

10 RADIO COMMUNICATION

10.1 [DP][NP] Competitors shall have and monitor a working VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on VHF channels 16, 69, and 72.

11 AWARDS

- 11.1 Awards will be presented as soon as practical following the last race on Sunday, April 19, 2020. Awards ceremony in the FYC Ballroom.
- 11.2 Overall Awards will be presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place.
- 11.3 Awards for 4th and 5th Place will be presented provided there are twenty-one (21) or more paid entries received no later than 2000hrs on Wednesday, April 1, 2020.
- 11.4 Other awards may be presented at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the Viper 640 Gulf Coast Championship entirely at their own risk. See *RRS* 4, *Decision to Race*. The OA will accept no liability for material damage, personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with, prior to, during, or after the event.

13 INSURANCE

[NP] Each competing boat shall have a minimum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) liability insurance through a valid, third party insurance carrier.

14 CONTACTS

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