



2010 CALIFORNIA INVITATIONAL  
**BLIND SAILING REGATTA**

MAY 14-16, 2010 | ALAMEDA, CA

**Organizing Authority – Island Yacht Club**

**NOTICE OF RACE**

**1. RULES**

**1.1** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the *2009-2012 Racing Rules of Sailing*.

**2 ADVERTISING**

The Event shall be classified as a Category C event according to ISAF Regulation 20. This is an invitational event open to all blind sail crews. Please apply at the CIBSR website at <http://www.cibsr.com>.

**3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY**

**3.1** The regatta is open to qualified international, national and regional crews as invited by the organizing authority.

Each blind/visually impaired competitor shall provide verification of vision by an ophthalmologist. Vision impaired competitors may be subject to vision checks at any time during the Event.

**3.2** Eligible crews may enter by completing the entry form and sending it, together with the required fee, by **March 31, 2010**. Entry form and participant information can be found at <http://www.cibsr.com>.

**3.3** Entry forms shall be available commencing March 1, 2010 at: <http://www.cibsr.com> or by mail upon request.

**3.4** Entry fees must be paid via PayPal™ on the CIBSR website. You do not need a PayPal™ account to use their service. PayPal™ will automatically send you a receipt for your payment.

**3.5** Late entries will be accepted under the following conditions: the organizing authority may accept late entries in its sole discretion. There will be a \$50 late fee.

**4. CLASSIFICATION**

The ISAF Sailor Classification Code will apply. Each Sighted Tactician and Sighted Crew shall be a Group 1 or Group 2 competitor in accordance with ISAF Regulation 22 ISAF Sailor Classification Code.

**5. FEES**

**5.1** Required fees are as follows: \$275 for each crew entered which includes admission to the Dinner Celebration on Saturday night.

## 6. EVENT SCHEDULE

### 6.1 Registration day—Friday, May 14

**10 a.m.:** Registration starts at the Island Yacht Club

**1 p.m. to 4 p.m.:** Boats are available to be checked out for practice

**5:30 p.m.:** Welcome gathering at the Island Yacht Club

### 6.2 Day of Racing—Saturday, May 15

**8:15 a.m.:** Morning Briefing with light breakfast snacks and coffee

**10 a.m.:** First race

**Lunch break:** Boats will dock for lunch

**Before 4 p.m.:** Last race start

**6:30 p.m.:** Evening: Dinner Celebration at Island Yacht Club

### 6.3 Day of Racing—Sunday, May 16

**8:15 a.m.:** Morning Briefing with light breakfast snacks and coffee

**10 a.m.:** First race

**Lunch break:** Boats will dock for lunch

**Before 2 p.m.:** Last race start

**4 p.m.:** Awards and Closing Ceremony

## 7. BOATS AND CREW

7.1 All boats shall be supplied by the organizing authority. All crews will sail J/24s.

7.2 All boats shall be sailed with a four-person crew plus the boat owner/representative at all times.

### 7.3 Substitutions

7.3.1 All substitutions must be approved by the Race Committee.

7.3.2 For visually impaired participants, substitutes will only be allowed for medical or other emergency reasons with approval of race committee.

7.3.3 For sighted participants, following registration for the race, substitutes will be reasonably allowed provided notice of any such substitution is delivered in writing to the race committee the night prior to the racing day on which the substitution will be made.

7.3.4 For owners and owners representatives, substitutions will be liberally allowed by the Race Committee, provided, however, that no such substitution can be made after the start of the first race on a racing day.

7.4 Crews will randomly draw for boats before each day of racing at the morning briefings.

## 8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The sailing instructions will be available after 0900 *on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010* at Island Yacht Club or CIBSR websites.

Island Yacht Club: [www.iyc.org/racing.html](http://www.iyc.org/racing.html)

CIBSR: <http://www.cibsr.com>

## **9. VENUE**

The sailing shall take place in the Oakland Estuary in the vicinity of the San Francisco Bay. Boats will be sailed out of the Island Yacht Club:

Island Yacht Club  
1853 Clement Ave, Bldg 14  
Alameda, CA 94501  
Phone and fax: 510-521-2980

## **10. THE COURSES**

The courses to be sailed shall be windward-leeward configurations.

## **11. SCORING**

**11.1** Up to six races a day may be started depending on the number of entries and the weather. A total of at least 8 races are planned. Five races are required to be completed to constitute a series.

### **11.2 Total Scores**

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

**11.2.2** When six or more races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

## **12. PRIZES AND AWARDS**

Prizes and awards will be given as follows:

**12.1 Sportsmanship Trophy:** Awarded to a visually impaired participant, voted on only by visually impaired participants; voting to take place after racing on Day 2.

**12.2 First Place:** CIBSR 2010 Trophy for each crew member and boat owner.

**12.3 Second and Third Places:** CIBSR 2010 plaque for each crew member and boat owner.

## **13. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

**13.1 Crew Waiver Form:** As a condition of entry, each owner, tactician and individual participating crew member shall sign a liability waiver/media release and the fully executed crew waiver form shall be submitted at registration prior to racing.

**13.2** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See rule 4, Decision to Race.) The Organizing Authority and the regatta sponsors 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. DAMAGE DEPOSIT**

At registration, each participating crew shall lodge with the organizing authority a damage deposit of US \$1000 per boat. The amount of each damage deposit shall be maintained at US \$1000 for the duration of the Event taking into consideration the likely cost to repair any damages that may occur during the event.