

NOTICE OF ELIMINATION SERIES (NoE)

Puerto Rico Hobie Cat Association, Inc

Serie Eliminatorias Hobie Cat 16 Juegos Centroamericanos y del Caribe VERACRUZ 2014

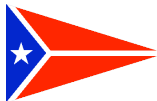
The Puerto Rico Hobie Cat Association Inc. (PRHCA) and Federación de Vela de Puerto Rico (FVPR), are hosting the “Eliminatorias Juegos Centroamericanos y del Caribe 2014”.

This event will serve as the Qualifier Series for the teams representing Puerto Rico in the Hobie-16 class at the Juegos Centroamericanos y del Caribe, VERACRUZ 2014. The 2 series event will be held in Palmas del Mar, Puerto Rico and adjacent waters on February 8-9 (series I) and February 15-16 (series II), 2014. If for any reason the series can't be completed, the PRHCA reserves the right of using any weekend after February 15-16 as an alternative date.

The venue for the event may also be changed at the discretion of the organizing authority at least two weeks before the event. All notices and amendments will be posted at www.puertoricohobiecat.com, www.facebook.com/pages/Puerto-Rico-Hobie-Cat, and/or www.sailingpur.org.

To be eligible to compete, all participants must be current members in good standing of the Puerto Rico Hobie Cat Association Inc.

The teams selected **must comply** with FVPR (including National Coach training program), PRHCA and **COPUR Requirements of Eligibility** in order to represent Puerto Rico at the CAC 2014 Games.



1. RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the rules may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 The Rules of the International Hobie Class Association shall be in full force and effect, except as modified, altered or made inoperative by the NOR or the SI, to the extent permitted by such class rules.
- 1.3 This Notice of Race and by the Sailing Instructions. Sailing Instructions will be available at registration.
- 1.4 Boats and crew will be weighed in prior to the event and all competitors may be subject to reweighing at any point during the event.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 To be eligible to participate in the events the competitors must be current members in good standing of the PRHCA (RRS 75.2 Competitors shall comply with ISAF Regulation 19, Eligibility Code).
- 2.2 For competitors that are not current members of the PRHCA, membership to the association will be available up to the time of registration for a nominal Fee.
- 2.3 All members of the selected teams must comply with the Federación de Vela de Puerto Rico (FVPR) and the Puerto Rico Olympic Committee (COPUR) Requirements of Eligibility in order to represent Puerto Rico at the Name of the games-regatta-or-event.
- 2.4 Eligible boats may be entered by completing the registration form for the PRHCA.
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3. QUALIFYING SERIES

- 3.1 These events will constitute the series of qualifying races for sailors representing Puerto Rico in the Juegos Centroamericanos y del Caribe, Veracruz 2014.
- 3.2 The first five positions at the end of the series will be eligible to represent Puerto Rico at the Juegos Centroamericanos y del Caribe, Veracruz 2014 based on requirements in the NOR from the PHHCA.
- 3.3 Places not able to be fulfilled by competitor for positions described in 3.2 for any valid reason will be fulfilled by the next competitor in the ranking based upon the final score in the series.

4. FEES

- 4.1 A \$35.00 fee will be charge for each competitor MEMBER of the PRHCA, at the time of registration for each date, the morning of the event.

5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration will be at the beach on Saturday, February 8, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 Dates of racing:

6.1.1 February 8-9 (series I) , 2014

6.1.2 February 15-16 (series II), 2014.

6.1.3 If for any reason the series can't be completed, the PRHCA reserves the right of using any weekend after February 15-16 as an alternative date.

- 6.2 Number of races:

The series will consist of a minimum of **3** races between all **2** weekends. If a minimum of 4 races is completed, one throw-out will be allowed for the whole series. Multiple races will be run on each day as time and weather conditions permit. No warning signal will be hoisted after 1700 hours, on Saturday. On Sunday no warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 hours.

6.3 Multiple races will be run on each day as time and weather conditions permit. The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on each race day is 1100 hours.

6.4 Any change to the Schedule of events or to the NOR shall be posted in advance no later than two weeks before the day it will take effect.

7. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions and courses to be sailed will be handed out at the time of registration.

8. VENUE

- 8.1 The racing area will be in the waters adjacent to *Palmas del Mar*.

9. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 9.1 Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of

their vessels, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or their belongings, to themselves (bodily injury included but not limited thereto) or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility the *PRHCA* Organization and all persons involved in the organization under whatever qualification. Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4: "The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone". In any case, competitors agree that The *PRHCA* Organization, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others or for the loss of, or damage to any vessel or property. As part of the registration process, each individual participating crewmember will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

10. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 10.1 For further information, please contact **Monica Cabrera**, (hobiepr@gmail.com) or **Julio Caceres** Tel #: (787-568-5469).
- 10.2 FOR THE NOTICE OF RACE, SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND NEWS REFER TO, www.facebook.com/pages/Puerto-Rico-Hobie-Cat, www.puertoricohobiecat.com and/or www.sailingpur.org

