

THE HISTORICAL TROPHIES ADVISORY BOARD OF THE HAWAII MARITIME CENTER

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AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD

LIPTON CHALLENGE CUP ONE

(Modification #15)

The Historical Trophies Advisory Board of the Hawaii Maritime Center (herein referred to as The Trophy Advisory Board) by its court directed authority and responsibility, advises the Hawaii Maritime Center (HMC) to award the *Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Cup One Trophy* under the following terms and conditions:

1. **HISTORY:** The trophy shall henceforth be referred to as the *Hawaii Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Cup One*. This is one of the few trophies personally presented to American Yachting organizations by Sir Thomas Lipton. Originally deeded to the *Hawaii Islands Star Fleet*.
2. **CONDITIONS OF EVENT:** *The Hawaii Sir Thomas Lipton Challenge Cup One* shall be awarded to the winner of a series outlined in the Notice of Challenge, which shall be sent to each qualifying club by the Trophy Advisory Board. Such notice shall be sent no later than 90 days prior to the event and shall indicate the rating system to be used, the limitation (if any) on participating yachts, the option(s) on course configuration, and the number of races to be scheduled.
3. **ELIGIBILITY:** Eligibility to challenge and compete in the series will be by membership in the *Hawaii Yacht Racing Association (HYRA)* or its successor. Any Challenger must be capable of providing all aspects of the series to include both on water and off the water activities.
 - **Yachts** - There shall be only one yacht per *HYRA* member club. A yacht must be wholly owned or under charter by member(s) of the challenging or defending club, and must have a valid PHRF rating from the Hawaii Yacht Racing Association 14 Days prior to the first race of the series.
 - **Crews:** All members of the crew of any participating yacht shall be a life or dues paying member of the *HYRA* member club under whose burgee that yacht is racing. Non-resident members are not eligible. All crew members must be certified residents of the State of Hawaii. Upon demand crew members shall produce for the Judging Panel a copy of the most recent tax return or a most recent voter's registration card in order to qualify as a State of Hawaii resident. An exception is made for active military crew stationed in Hawaii. The Judging Panel shall retain the right to disallow any crew member they believe does not qualify as a permanent resident of the State of Hawaii based on alternative evidence. For the purpose of this event, dependant children under the age of 18 and spouses of the life or dues paying member shall be considered qualified members. All crew members shall have been members in good standing of their *HYRA* organization as of February 1st of the current year.
 - All participating yacht skippers shall submit a crew list to the Judging Panel at or before the Skippers Meeting. The skipper shall inform the Judging Panel of any crew changes during the event.
4. **METHOD OF CHALLENGE:**
 - Challenges declaring their yacht shall be submitted to the defending club and the HTAB forty five (45) days prior to race one.
 - The Defender of the Cup shall identify the yacht for the defense and give notice to all challengers, and the HTAB, thirty (30) days prior to race one.
 - The Challengers shall submit any change of yacht to the defending club and the HTAB twenty one (21) days prior to race one.
 - All yachts are subject to the conditions of the Notice of Challenge

5. **RULES:** The racing rules of the *International Sailing Federation (ISAF)* as adopted by the *USSA*, and the *HYRA* Prescriptions shall govern, except as otherwise provided in this authorization, the Notice of Challenge, or the sailing instructions as approved by the Judging Panel for the event.
6. **JUDGING PANEL:** The Executive Committee of the Hawaii Yacht Racing Association shall appoint a Judging Panel at least forty (40) days prior to the event. The Judging Panel shall consist of at least one USSA Certified Judge and two other members. The Judging Committee shall be responsible for monitoring the conduct of the series and perform the following functions:
 - Approve the Sailing Instructions
 - Approve any requests for yacht changes by competitors after the start of race one
 - Resolve all protests and appeals
7. **CONDUCT OF THE SERIES:**
 - The Defender shall conduct the races and provide adequate staff, equipment and committee boats for the conduct of the series.
 - The Defender shall also prepare the Sailing Instructions and submit those instructions for approval to the Judging Panel established in paragraph 6 at least thirty (30) days prior to the start of the series.
 - The Defender shall conduct a Skippers Meeting to present the Sailing Instructions to all participants at least two (2) days prior to the event. All participants shall be informed of the date, time, and place of the Skippers Meeting at least fifteen (15) days prior to the Skippers Meeting.
 - The Hawaii Yacht Racing Association shall stipulate the amount of an entry fee. Such fee shall be paid to the Hawaii Yacht Racing Association prior to conducting the series.
8. **AWARDS:** The Trophy Advisory Board is responsible at all times for the safety and security of the Lipton Cup and any use, transportation or display shall be only as approved or directed by the Board. The Board may allow for the trophy to be presented to the winner of an event at the venue where the event is held. A formal presentation shall be made at the annual HYRA Banquet. The winning organization may request to display the trophy at a specific location during the period of time between the HYRA Banquet and the next event. Such a request may be granted based on consideration for adequate security in an appropriate viewing area. The Trophy Advisory Board shall oversee all inscriptions on the trophy. An additional permanent trophy will be presented at the HYRA Banquet to be maintained and displayed as determined by the winning organization.
9. **AUTHORITY:** The Historical Trophy Advisory Board reserves the right to modify the Authorization to Award at any time with due consideration being given to the qualification dates outlined in the most recent modification. Any matters not covered by this *Authorization to Award* and any questions arising under any of its terms and conditions shall be referred to the *Historical Trophies Advisory Board of the Hawaii Maritime Center* for determination.

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