

CHARLESTON YACHT CLUB BIG BOAT REGATTA
NOVEMBER 11, 2017
The Charleston Yacht Club
Charleston, SC

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES:

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

2.0 ENTRIES:

- 2.1 Competitors may enter by delivering a completed entry form (mail, e-mail or fax) and paying the entry fee to the Charleston Yacht Club, Charleston office **before 1100** on Saturday, November 11, 2017.
- 2.2 The regatta is open to all PHRF monohull sailing boats with a minimum length overall of 22 feet.
- 2.3 All boats must have operational auxiliary power (an engine that works).

3.0 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS:

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the Charleston Yacht Club Junior Training Room window.

4.0 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- 4.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board and announced on VHF Channel 73.

5.0 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the upper deck of the ChYC.

6.0 SCHEDULE:

- 6.1 Friday, November 10th - 1830 Skippers' Meeting
- 6.2 Saturday, November 11th - 1225 First Warning Gun
- 6.3 Saturday, November 11th - 1500 to 1800 Trotman Oyster Roast
- 6.4 Awards Ceremony following racing on ChYC Decks

7.0 CLASSES:

- 7.1 Classes will be assigned based on CORA PHRF ratings. Boats without a CORA PHRF rating will be assigned one.
- 7.2 Class Flags will be assigned as follows:
Class A: Pink
Class B: Green

Class C: Yellow
Class D: Light Blue

8.0 RACING AREA:

- 8.1** Ashley River and Charleston Harbor with a High Tide predicted for 2:10 pm.

9.0 COURSE:

- 9.1** Course 1. Start, BP Port, R2 Port, R4 Starboard, Finish. Length 7.9 NM.
9.2 Course 2. Start, BP Port, J MARK Port, R4 Starboard, Finish. Length 6.4NM
9.3 Course 3. Start, BP Port, G37 Port, R4 Starboard, Finish. Length 8.1NM
9.4 Course 4. Start, BP Port, G27 Port, R4 Starboard, Finish. Length 7.4NM.

10.0 MARKS

- 10.1** Marks of the course will be Government Marks and a Start/Finish mark.
10.2 The starting and finish mark will be an orange tetrahedron.

11.0 THE START:

- 11.1** Races will be started using rule 26.
11.2 The starting line is between an orange flag on the upper deck of the ChYC and the starting mark.

12.0 THE FINISH:

- 12.1** The Finish Line is between the orange flag on the upper deck of the ChYC and the Finish mark.

13.0 PENALTY SYSTEM:

- 13.1** US Sailing Prescriptions, Appendix V – Alternate Penalties is in effect.

14.0 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:

- 14.1** Protest forms will be available at the Charleston Yacht Club Junior Room.
14.2 Protests shall be delivered there within the protest time limit.
14.3 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the last boat finishes.
14.4 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearing in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the Junior Room.

15.0 SCORING:

- 15.1** Appendix A will be used.
15.2 Scores will be based on the time on time method.
15.3 One race is scheduled; therefore, no throw outs are allowed.

16.0 RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

- 16.1** The race committee will use VHF channel 73. Alternate channels may be used at the discretion of the Race committee.
- 16.2** The race committee broadcasts (hails or other communications, also be considered broadcasts) concerning its intentions, the course to be sailed, starting times; course changes, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of any boat to receive or properly interpret this information, or any errors or omissions on the part of the hailed messages shall not be grounds for granting redress.

17.0 PRIZES:

- 17.1** Awards will be given to the top 3 boats in each class.

18.0 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

- 18.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rules of Sailing - Rule 4, Decision to Race. The Charleston Yacht Club 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.