



2019 Double Handed Race

July 14, 2019

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The rules governing the 2019 Double Handed Race will be: The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020 (RRS), the 2019 Double Handed Notice of Race (NOR) the 2019 Double Handed Race Sailing Instructions (SI), the FCSA 2019 Rating Procedures and Racing Rules and any special instructions issued by the HRYC Race Committee. All entries are required to be sailed by two (2) persons only.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions will be posted at the Regatta Network website at: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/18487>
- 2.2 Communications via VHF radio shall be made on **channel 72**. All instructional communications via VHF radio will cease 10 minutes before the first warning signal.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of the race will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect. Any changes will be posted at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/18487>

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1 No Signals made ashore will be displayed at any time.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 The Double Handed Race will be held on July 14, 2019.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the Double Handed Race will be **1155**.

6 THE COURSE

- 6.1 **There are three possible course options. The actual course will be determined by the Race Committee by 5:00 pm EDT on July 13, 2019. This decision will be based on weather and sea forecasts, as well as the anticipated on the water support.**
- 6.2 **Option A: A race along the coast, possibly starting near Ponce Inlet #2, The North Turn Restaurant, or near the Sun Glow Pier with a course up the coast to the Main St. or Sun Glow Pier and back to the starting area. If a shorter course is chosen, then two laps may be required. Boats will sail courses that promote staying near the coast, with the possibility of additional marks near shore (20' minimum water depth for benign sea state conditions).**

From the start line, between the committee boat and Ponce R2, sail in a northwesterly direction, following the coast to the designated marks. If a mark has been placed off the end of the pier, then it is to be rounded **keeping it to port**. If no mark is present, a boat has reached the pier when they are **within 200 yards** and they can sight along the northern side of the pier they may turn in a **counterclockwise** direction. The R/C may provide a latitude and longitude of a virtual mark location. There could be additional marks near shore that

must be kept to the east. Any such marks will be announced before the start and will be large inflatable buoys. Any intermediate marks shall be kept to the ocean side of the course in both directions.

6.3 Option B: A race to a longitude – This course will only be used if there is not a R/C Mark boat to help with logistics.

From the start line, between the committee boat and Ponce R2, sail in an easterly direction to either longitude A, 080°43'00, or longitude B, 080°49'00. Cross that longitude and return to Ponce R2, leaving it to starboard. Longitude A or B will be chosen based on wind forecast/conditions for the day and will be determined by the previously provided cutoff time. A yacht finishes when R2 bears 000°, and less than three boat lengths, from the helmsman's position. Line A provides a 20 mile course and will be the preferred course; line B provides a 10 mile course. Co-Skipper's may sail to the declared longitude (A or B) and return on any point of sail they feel gives them an advantage over the other yachts, they simply must cross the longitude line and return. All yachts are requested to show their GPS tracks in the event of any protest. All competitors are encouraged to use the RaceQs app for tracking their performance.

6.4 Option C: A race around buoys as provided in the 2019 Commodore's Cup Sailing Instructions, Appendix A.

7 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

7.1 There are no areas that are designated as obstructions unless amended by the Race Committee signal boat.

8 THE START

8.1 A common start for all fleets will take place at the designated time.

8.2 Races shall be started as stated below in section 8.3 (SI). This changes rule 26 (RRS). The starting line will be between the committee boat and the designated starting pin, to the east of Ponce Inlet, or at another location communicated to the fleet as described in 6.1.

8.3 The starting sequence will be as follows:

- Five minutes before the start of the race a warning signal of a white (or otherwise announced) class flag will be raised and displayed for a period of one minute.
- Four minutes before the start of the race a "P" preparatory flag will be raised and displayed for a period of three minutes.
- One minute before the start of the race the preparatory flag will be lowered.
- The race will start upon the lowering of the class flag one minute after the preparatory flag has been lowered.
- One audible signal will be sounded upon the raising of all flags.
- The raising/lowering of a flag constitutes the official signal. If no flags are available, the audible signal transmitted via VHF radio shall be the signal.

9 RECALLS

- 9.1** Display of code flag “X” and one sound signal shall signal individual recalls. A boat recalled shall be notified by hail and on VHF channel 72 if possible.

10 THE FINISH

- 10.1** **If a finish line is not established by the R/C then the following describes the procedure to finish:**

A yacht finishes when she passes R2 **within two (2) boat lengths** to starboard and R2 bears 000* (due North) from the helm position. Yachts will take their own finish time (GPS time) and report it by text or phone to Chris Herbster at 386-679-6314, text messages are preferred.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 11.1** The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.1 (RRS), will apply.

12 TIME LIMITS

- 12.1** Time limit for all classes in the Double Handed Race will be 8 hours.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1** Protest forms are available at HRYC and online at www.hryc.com. Protests shall be delivered within the protest time limit. All protests shall be filled on an HRYC protest form.
- 13.2** The protest time limit is 1200 on July 15, 2019. The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 (RRS) and 62.2 (RRS).
- 13.3** Protests shall be filed in person at HRYC.
- 13.4** Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted at HRYC in accordance to instruction 13.2 (SI) to inform competitors under rule 61.1(b) (RRS).
- 13.5** Protests shall be scheduled within 5 days of being filled. All parties listed on the protest form will be advised of the date and time of protest. All protests hearings will be held at HRYC, 331 Beach St., Daytona Beach FL.
- 13.6** A list of boats that, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 (RRS) or have been disqualified by the Protest Committee, will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 13.7** Breaches of instructions 16 (SI) or 23 (SI) will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a) (RRS). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 13.8** Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 70.4 (RRS).
- 13.9** All boats shall carry at all times a U.S. Sailing protest form and a standard protest flag.
- 13.10** All boats are strongly encouraged to use the RaceQs smartphone application (<http://raceqs.com/>) to track their boat in the races. This free application will allow competitors to replay the race, with an opportunity to see where they may have performed well, or poorly, with respect to the other boats in the fleet. In addition, since the application uses GPS time to report position and location it can serve as a verification of events on the water, possibly to verify the reported finish time, or interactions between boats in the event of a protest.

14 SCORING

14.1 Scoring shall be the low point system for the regatta.

14.2 Additional scoring points:

OCS (Over Course Side) # of contestants +1

DNF (Did Not Finish) # of contestants +1

DSQ (DiSQualified) # of entrants +1

DGM (Disqualified, Gross Misconduct) # of entrants +5

BFD (Black Flag Disqualification) # of entrants +5

TLE (Time Limit Expired) last place +1

14.2 All boats shall be scored using their FCSA PHRF rating and corrected *time on time*.

15 SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1 Check-in: Boats shall sail within hailing distance of the Committee Boat, and state their boat name, sail number and fleet.

15.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible on channel 72 or by texting/calling 386-679-6314.

15.3 All boats shall carry all the necessary safety equipment required by law, regulation, or class rules.

15.4 All boats competing in the Double Handed Race should comply with all ISAF Category 4 requirements.

15.5 Use of Autopilot

Due to the high chance of storms this time of year, the use of an autopilot will be allowed.

16 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

16.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

17 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

17.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, the FCSA Rating Policies and Rules, the Sailing Instructions and all other rules and policies that apply. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18 OFFICIAL BOATS

18.1 Official boats will be marked with a race committee flag.

19 SUPPORT BOATS

19.1 All support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have started the race; the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

20 RADIO COMMUNICATION

20.1 A boat shall neither send nor receive any radio, mobile phone or WIFI network transmissions while racing that are not available to all boats.

21 PRIZES

21.1 Prizes will be given as follows:

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all classes with 5 or more boats competing
- 1st and 2nd in all classes with less than 5 boats competing
- 1st overall
- NOTE: Both co-skippers on each winning boat will receive a trophy.

22 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

22.1 The Race Committee will be in charge of all scheduled races. The Race Chairman or his designate will have final decision over management issues of the race, including, but not limited to whether a boat will be allowed to compete, penalties (except protest – which will be over-seen by the Protest Committee), scoring, eligibility of yachts to race and time limits.

Despite the schedule to race and despite the Race Committee's decision to race, it is **ALWAYS** the skipper's decision whether he, his vessel and/or his crew should participate in any race. The responsibility of the decision to race and any and all consequences lie **SOLELY** with the skipper, captain or owner/operator of the vessel. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE OF YOUR VESSEL AND ANYONE ABOARD! YOU ARE FURTHER RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR CREW AND DAMAGE TO, OR CAUSED BY, YOUR VESSEL. THIS SHOULD ALWAYS GUIDE YOUR DECISION TO RACE AND YOUR ACTIONS WHILE RACING.** The Race Committee accepts **NO** responsibility for your decision to race and the consequences that accompany it.

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

23 INSURANCE

23.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum of \$250,000.00 (USD) in coverage.