

2019- 2020 RS 21 Sarasota Winter Series Sailing Instructions



1. RULES

- **1.1** The regatta & series will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- **1.2** The RS21 Class Association rules will apply.
- **1.3** Supplied charter RS21s must adhere to Class Rule C.1.2 regarding supplied equipment.
- **1.6** If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.
- **1.7** The sailing instructions will be on the official notice board located at SYC Sailing Center.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS.

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board at the Sarasota Yacht Club located at the SYC Sailing Center.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1930 on the day before it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE.

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole at the SYC.
- **4.2** When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' to the start of the next race.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES.

- **5.1** 1100 First Warning Signal each day.
- **5.2** No warning signal after 1600 each day.

6. CLASS FLAGS.

6.1 RS 21 Class Flag

7. RACING AREA.

7.1 All courses will be in Sarasota Bay. Refer to map of courses given.

8. THE COURSES.

- 8.1 Windward leeward Courses.
- 8.2 Course is attached below

9. MARKS.

9.1 One design course will be yellow windward marks and orange leeward marks.

10 CHECK IN PROCEDURES.

- 10.1 Before the start of the race, each boat shall check in with the RC signal boat by
 - a. crossing the stern of the RC boat on starboard tack and hailing her name, sail number and class
 - or -
 - b. hailing the Race Committee on the appropriate VHF channel.

11. THE START.

- **11.1** Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26. Courtesy horn warning signal will be made six (6) minutes before the 5-minute warning flag.
- **11.2** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and the course side mark.
- **11.3** The race committee may broadcast the sail numbers of boats recorded as OCS on the relevant VHF channel. Failure to make or receive a broadcast or the timeliness of such broadcast shall not be grounds for redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).

12. CHANGE OF COURSE.

Course changes will be announced per RRS 33. Marks used to change the course will be the same color as the original mark.

13. PENALTY SYSTEM.

RRS Rule 44.1 is changed to replace the Two Turns Penalty with a One Turn penalty.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS.

- **14.1** Protest forms are available on the Official Notice Board. Protests shall be delivered to the RC Room (SYC Sailing Center) within 45 minutes of the time the committee boat docks at SYC.
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16. SCORING.

16.1 The Low Point scoring system of Appendix A will apply with a drop after 5 races have been completed.

17. SAFETY REGULATIONS

A boat that retires from a race shall promptly notify the RC on the VHF channel assigned to their course.

18. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- **18.1** The race committee will monitor VHF channel 5.
- **18.2** Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority 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.

