2013 Alfonso Jr. Regatta and Sutter Cup

Gulfport Yacht Club 800 East Pier Gulfport, MS 39501

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS March 16-17, 2013

1 RULES

The regatta will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, except as any of those are changed by the sailing instructions or any amendments thereto.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on the lower deck.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions signaled with one sound and the "L" flag hoisted on the GYC flagpole and will be posted on the Official Notice Board located on the lower deck except, that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the GYC flagpole.
- **4.2** When flag AP is lowered ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than '60minutes'

5 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday March 16, 2013

Competitor Check-In in the Regatta Room	0930-1045		
Skipper's Meeting Lower Deck	1100		
First Warning Signal	1230		
Cunday March 17 2012			

Sunday March 17, 2013

First Warning Signal 1055

6 CLASS FLAGS & STARTING ORDER

Division A		Division B		Division C	
<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
Laser	Laser Flag	Optimist (RBW)	Purple	Green Fleet	Green
Radial	Pink			3min whistles	
Finn	Light Green				

7 RACING AREA

The racing area will be to the southeast of the Gulfport Harbor. (Division A farthest to east. Then B. Leaving C farthest to the west)

8 THE COURSES

- **8.1** Division A courses will be Windward-Leeward's (W1, W1.5, W2, W2.5, W3) see page 2. Division B & C will use a mid-course line. The Start/Finish line will be closed. See, 15 Course Layouts
- 8.2 No later than the prep signal, the race committee signal boat will display the course & approximate compass bearing of the first leg. Failure to comply is not grounds for redress.

9 MARKS

9.1 Division A - Start/finish mark will be an orange ball. Marks 1(windward) & 2(leeward) will be orange tetrahedrons.

Division B - Start/finish mark will be an orange ball. Marks 1(windward) & 2 (leeward) will be orange tetrahedrons.

Division C – All marks will be orange balls.

10 THE START & RECALLS

10.1 Races will be started by using rule 26. Race committee may attempt to roll the starts back to back.

- 10.2 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the R/C boat and the nearby orange ball.
- 10.3 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with Rule 29.2, with the addition that the race committee will endeavor to hail the boat's sail number. Furthermore, the race committee will endeavor to hail premature starters when they have completely returned to the pre-start side of the line, except when code flag "I" has been displayed.

11 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE AND ABANDONMENT AFTER THE START

- 11.1 A change of course after the start will be signaled before the leading boat has begun the leg in which the change is to occur, although the new mark may not yet be in position.
- 11.2 Rule 32 is changed to additionally provide that the race committee, may abandon or shorten a race in progress when conditions have made the race an unsatisfactory test of skill.

12 THE FINISH LINE

Will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the RC boat and a orange ball.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1 Protests and requests for redress shall be written on protest forms located at the Official Notice Board and lodged there not later than one hour after the race committee signal boat docks for the day and fires one sound signal. The docking time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 13.2 Sail numbers of boats the race committee intends on scoring (OCS, DNS, DNF) will be posted on the official notice board within thirty minutes of the expiration of the time to file protests.
- 13.3 Sail Numbers of boats involved and the time & place for hearings will be posted on the official notice board within thirty minutes after the expiration of the time to file protests. Such posting shall constitute notice as required by rule 63.2. No signal will be made when this notice is posted. The protest committee will hear protests and requests for redress in approximately the order of receipt with hearings beginning as soon as possible.
- 13.3 Rule 61 is changed to add the following requirements for a valid protest: "A boat shall inform the finish line race committee boat of her intent to file a protest and the sail number (or other identification) of the protested boat either at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing, or if the protesting boat does not finish, at the first reasonable opportunity, and she must receive confirmation from the race committee."

14 SCORING

Each class shall be scored using the low point system of Appendix A. 12 Races are scheduled for all classes. One shall constitute a series. Each competitor will be allowed to drop one of their lowest score for every 6 races are completed. A competitor cannot drop a DSQ

15. Course Layouts:

