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Sailing Instructions *Rabbit Island Race*

Saturday, April 15, 2017

Organizing Authority: Hawaii Yacht Club (HYC)

1. RULES

- 1.1. The race will be conducted according to *The Racing Rules of Sailing 2017-2020* [RRS], including the 2010 updates, US Sailing Prescriptions, Hawaii Yacht Racing Association [HYRA] Prescriptions and HYC Standing Rules for Offshore Races unless otherwise amended in the Notice of Race or these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. RRS 51 and 52 are modified to allow the use of integrally designed Canting Ballast Twin Foil [CBTF] and water ballast technology.
- 1.3. RRS 52 is modified to allow the use of winches operated by using stored power.
- 1.4. RRS 55 is modified to add the following: "However, material used for banding sails may be discarded while setting sails".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Hawaii Yacht Club [HYC] or on the Main Race Committee Boat.

3. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0830 on the day they will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore on Saturday will be displayed at the HYC flagpole.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

- 5.1 Dates of Racing all boats will be Saturday, April 15, 2017
- 5.2 Number of Races: All classes will compete in one (1) race.
- 5.3 Pursuit-Style staggered start will commence on Saturday, April 15, 2017. Start times will be posted by 1800 hours on Friday, April 14, 2017

6. RACING AREA

The regatta will be held on the waters between Waikiki and manana (Rabbit) Island

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1. A diagram of the course is provided A Skipper may choose to round both Rabbit Island and Bird Island. In the event of a discrepancy the course start and finish will prevail.
- 7.2. Saturday Course Start – round DH(p) _round Rabbit Island (s) _pass DH(s) R2 (s)
Finish course length is approximately 32 nm

8. MARKS

- 8.1. "DH" is the red Diamond Head buoy.
- 8.2. "R2" is the red Ala Wai Harbor Channel entrance buoy.
- 8.3. "Rabbit Island" is manana island aka Rabbit island
- 8.4. "Bird island" is kaohikaipu island

9. THE START

- 9.1. The starting sequence will conform to RRS 26.
- 9.2. The starting line on **Saturday is the same as Friday night. The start line will be between the mast of the Hawaii Yacht Club and the tall coconut tree.**
- 9.3. Boats starting later than 10 minutes after the last starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. The finish line on **Saturday is the same as Friday night . the start line will be between the mast of the Hawaii Yacht Club and the tall coconut tree**
- 10.2. (DH) Yachts shall check in with principal race officer Ron Uryga at 351-7482
- 10.3. Boats finishing after 1700 hours shall record their own finish time and report it to the Race Committee as soon as possible.

11. PENALTY SYSTEM

Yachts that take a penalty or retire under RRS 44.1 shall file a written acknowledgement with the race committee prior to the protest time limit.

12. TIME LIMITS

There is no time limit for finishing the races.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. Protest forms are available downstairs at HYC at Sailing Main Race Notice Board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.
- 13.2. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the race has finished.
- 13.3. Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of the time and location of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.
- 13.4. Notices of protests by the race committee or the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- 13.5. A list of boats that, under instruction 13, have acknowledged taking a penalty or retiring, will be posted before the protest time limit.

14. ARBITRATION

Arbitration will be offered as described in the Standing Sailing Instructions.

15. SCORING

- 15.1. The low point system of Appendix A will apply as modified in the Standing Sailing Instructions.
- 15.2. Regatta will be scored on a combined corrected time.
- 15.3. In the event of a tie, RRS A7 will apply.
- 15.4. The PHRF handicap system will be in effect for all boats. Race handicaps will be calculated using the Time-on-Time method as adopted by HYRA.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 **VHF Channel 68** is reserved for essential communications, otherwise yachts shall monitor VHF Channel 16.
- 16.2 Upon withdrawing from the race, yachts shall inform the race committee via **VHF Channel 68**, by voice hail, or by calling the principal race officer Ron Uryga at 351-7482 or RC Sail Steven Eder 808-292-3617. Failure to do so may result in denied entry to future races.

17 PRIZES

For each class, 1st prize will be awarded if three or more boats enter, 2nd prize will be awarded if five or more boats enter, and 3rd prize will be awarded if seven or more boats enter.

18 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 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 race.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000 per event or the equivalent.