



DAVIS ISLAND

Yacht Club  
"The Sailingest Club in the South"



## 2020 TAMPA BAY TO NOT-FORT MYERS RACE

# SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The race will be governed by the Rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, including Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After a Race.
- 1.2 US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 Notices will be posted on the official notice board online in Regatta Network on the event webpage.
- 2.2 The race committee will use VHF channel 69 to communicate with boats on the water.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 1900, May 22, 2020..

### 4 SCHEDULE

Friday, May 22, 2020	1900	Competitors Meeting on Zoom
Saturday, May 23, 2020	0945	First warning signal
Awards Party TBD at a later date.		

### 5 COURSE

Course and marks are described in Attachment A.

### 6 CLASS FLAGS

<u>Divisions</u>	<u>Class Flag</u>
Multihull	Purple flag with white "P"
Spinnaker, Racer-Cruiser, Non Spinnaker	Red flag with white "S"
Cruising	Blue flag with white "N"

### 7 THE START

- 7.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 7.2 Should the wind conditions necessitate a postponement prior to the start, the race committee may move the starting area farther up the course by displaying code flag "L" and motoring towards the next mark. In this case, the starting mark will be either a mark of the course, a nearby government aid, or a drop-mark. Should the race committee pass a mark of the course,

that mark is then eliminated from the course.

- 7.3 When an individual recall is signaled, the race committee may attempt to hail the sail numbers of the boats that are OCS. See also SI 13.2.
- 7.4 Boats may not start more than 10 minutes after their starting signal.
- 7.5 Divisions may be combined for starts.

## **8 THE FINISH**

- 8.1 The finishing line will be at Measured Mile- "C".
- 8.2 Boats shall attempt to hail the race committee over VHF 69 when approximately 3 miles from the finish or call Brent at 813-363-6935.
- 8.3 If the race committee is not on station at the finish, the US Sailing prescription to RRS 34 applies. Take your GPS time when finish mark bears 270 degrees magnetic within 100 feet of the finish mark. Skippers taking their own time, please take a picture of your GPS with time and Lat/Long position and deliver to RC upon docking or via text to Brent Bacon at 813.363.6935.

## **9 TIME LIMIT**

- 9.1 The time limit for the first boat in each Division to sail the course and finish is 2200 on Saturday May 23, 2020.
- 9.2 If at least one boat in a Division finishes before the time limit, boats in that Division finishing after the time limit may take their own time and report it to the race committee.
- 9.3 Any Division with no finishers before the time limit will be abandoned per RRS 35.

## **10 SCORING AND PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 10.1 Races will be scored using the WFPHRF RLC ratings.
- 10.2 Only the Scoring Penalty, RRS 44.3, and the optional RRS V2, will apply.
- 10.3 The penalties as calculated and rounded in RRS 44.3(c) shall be increased by ½-point. This changes RRS 44.3(c).
- 10.4 One race is scheduled. The course distance is 51.4 miles.

## **11 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

- 11.1 A boat intending to protest, or request redress shall inform the race committee upon finishing or retiring by VHF or by text to Brent Bacon at 813.363.6935.
- 11.2 The protest time limit will be 1000 on Sunday, May 24, 2020.
- 11.3 Protests and requests for redress will be heard at a date and time scheduled by the Chief Judge.

## **12 SAFETY**

- 12.1 A boat that retires from the racing area shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP] Call or text Brent Bacon at 813-363-6935.
- 12.2 The COLREGs always apply between boats racing and vessels not racing. A boat shall not obstruct a commercial vessel. [DP]
- 12.3 Boats shall monitor VHF 16 except while starting or finishing.

## **13 COMMUNICATIONS**

- 13.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall neither make voice or data transmissions nor receive voice or data communications not available to all boats. [DP]
- 13.2 Race committee broadcasts concerning its intention, the course to be sailed, starting times, course changes, recalls, etc. are a courtesy only. Failure of the race committee to make a broadcast, the timing of a broadcast, or the failure of a boat to hear a broadcast will not be considered an improper action or omission under RRS 62.1(a).

## Attachment A – Course and Marks

Mark	Chart Description	Rounding / Passing	Approx. Location
Start @ Measured Mile-“C”	“C”	<b>Start</b>	N27° 43.395' / W82° 34.303'
Sunshine Skyway Bridge	Really Big Bridge	<b>Pass through</b> Center 3 Spans	N27° 37.220' / W82° 39.350'
SW 1	G “1” Fl G 2.5s Bell	<b>Round</b> to port	N27° 32.329' / W82° 48.597'
Longboat Pass- “LP”	RW “LP” Mo (A)	<b>Round</b> to starboard	N27° 26.103' / W82° 42.168'
SW 1	G “1” Fl G 2.5s Bell	<b>Round</b> to Starboard	N27° 32.329' / W82° 48.597'
Sunshine Skyway Bridge	Really Big Bridge	<b>Pass through</b> Center 3 Spans	N27° 37.220' / W82° 39.350'
Finish @ Measured Mile-“C”	“C”	<b>Finish</b>	N27° 43.395' / W82° 34.303'

- All coordinates provided as a reference. Any reliance on such coordinates shall not be grounds for redress.