



# 2020 GBCA Women's Regatta

Galveston Bay

July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Galveston Bay Cruising Association

1500 Marina Bay Dr. Building #113B, Clear Lake Shores, TX 77565

## Sailing Instructions

### 1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*, The Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. For each race in the Regatta, each boat competing shall be helmed by a female from the warning signal for her class until she has finished.

### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted online at:  
[http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16119#\\_home](http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16119#_home).

### 3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions, schedule of races or notice of race will be posted before 0800 on the day it will take effect.

### 4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be posted on Regatta Network's Regatta Notice Board Console:  
[https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/mgmt\\_notice\\_console.php?regatta\\_id=2093](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/mgmt_notice_console.php?regatta_id=2093)  
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## 5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Friday, July 10 <sup>th</sup>	1200 hours	Registration Deadline
Friday, July 10 <sup>th</sup>	1200 hours	Classes are formed
Friday, July 17 <sup>th</sup>	1700 hours	Late Registration Deadline
Saturday, July 18 <sup>th</sup>	1000 hours	Competitor's Briefing
Saturday, July 18 <sup>th</sup>	1300 hours	Warning Signal all classes
Saturday, July 18 <sup>th</sup>	2 hours after RC docks	Virtual Award Presentation

### 5.1. Competitor's Briefing

5.1.1. The Competitor's Briefing will be conducted via **teleconference at 605.313.5580 meeting code 186082.**

### 5.2. Number of races

5.2.1. There will be one throw out if four (4) races are scored.

### 5.3. Awards presentation and post-race social.

5.3.1. The status of the awards presentation and post-race social will be made available at the Competitor's Briefing.

## 6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. Class flags shall be defined by Appendix A

## 7. THE COURSES

7.1. Course for each race will be a Windward/Leeward/Windward/Leeward (four legs) as described by Attachment A.

## 8. MARKS

8.1. Marks will be orange or yellow tetrahedrons.

8.2. The original course marks will be orange.

8.3. Change of course marks will be yellow

8.4. Start mark will be orange.

8.5. The leeward mark (and finish line) will be set approximately 100' to starboard of the Race Committee signal boat.

8.6. All marks shall be left to port.

## 9. CHECK IN

9.1. Before the warning signal of the first race, each boat shall sail past the stern of the Race Committee boat on **starboard tack** and hail the sail number until acknowledged by the Race Committee.

## 10. THE START

10.1. Races will be started using RRS 26.

10.2. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee boat on the starboard end and the course side of the starting mark.

10.3. The Race Committee may trail a float and line astern of the Race Committee boat which shall be considered as part of the starting mark.

10.4. Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area and of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made.

- 10.5. Any class subjected to a General Recall may start after the last scheduled start for that race. This modifies RRS 29.2.
- 10.6. The initial start order is shown in Appendix A.
- 10.7. Subsequent races may not follow the same starting order as Appendix A.
- 10.8. Classes may be grouped together for a start.

## 11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. If the Race Committee displays the “C” code flag with one or more class flags, the course change applies only to those classes. If the “C” code flag is flown alone, all classes will sail the changed course. This modifies RRS 33.
- 11.2. To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

## 12. SHORTEN COURSE

- 12.1. If the Race Committee displays the “S” code flag with one or more class flags, the shortened course applies only to those classes. If the “S” code flag is flown alone, all classes will sail the shortened course. This modifies RRS 32.

## 13. THE FINISH

- 13.1. The finish line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark (or leeward mark).

## 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1. Time limit for the first boat of each class to pass Mark 1 is 60 minutes.
- 14.2. Time limit for the first boat to sail the course and finish is 90 minutes.
- 14.3. Finishing Window for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes shall be 30 minutes.
- 14.4. If no boat has passed Mark 1 within the Mark 1 Time Limit, the race shall be abandoned.
- 14.5. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window shall be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4, and A5.

## 15. SAFETY

- 15.1. A boat that retires from a race prior to finishing shall notify the Race Committee as soon as practicable on VHF channel 69. If radio communication is unavailable, call the Race Committee phone number: **281.705.3712** and leave a message or text message.
- 15.2. Attention is called to RRS 4: Decision to Race, “The responsibility for a boat’s decision to participate in a race or to continue  *racing*  is hers alone.”
- 15.3. Any support boats shall check-in with the Race Committee with their availability.

## 16. SCORING

- 16.1. The Low Point system, RRS Appendix A will apply. One race constitutes a series. In the event 4 races are run, there shall be one throw out. This modifies RRS A2.
- 16.2. PHRF Handicap classes shall race Time on Time using the US Sailing TOD to TOT conversion: **Time Correction Factor = 650/(550+PHRF)**.

**17. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

17.1. The protest and redress procedures for this regatta will utilize basic elements of RRS Appendix T, a US Sailing Prescription. Protests shall be communicated to the Race Committee by VHF channel 69 before leaving the race area and must be filed in writing prior to 1800 hours on the day of protest. This modifies RRS 61.

**18. COMMUNICATIONS**

- 18.1. Radio communication will be conducted on VHF channel 69.
- 18.2. The Race Committee will attempt to monitor and may make courtesy announcements on VHF channel 69. The failure of the Race Committee to make announcements or the manner in which announcements are made will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).
- 18.3. In addition to signaling Individual Recalls in accordance with RRS 29.1, as a courtesy, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast the names or sail numbers of boats that have started early. Failure to make such a broadcast, failure of a boat to receive that broadcast, a boat’s order in that broadcast, or the promptness of that broadcast will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a). If a weather-related postponement is required it will be announced at 1100 on VHF Channel 69.

**19. PRIZES**

- 19.1. Prizes will be given as follows:
  - 19.1.1. 3-5 Boats First place prize
  - 19.1.2. 6-8 Boats First and second place prize
  - 19.1.3. 9-11 Boats First, second, and third place prize

**20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

20.1. 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 regatta.

**21. INSURANCE**

21.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a **minimum coverage of \$300,000.00** per incident or the equivalent.

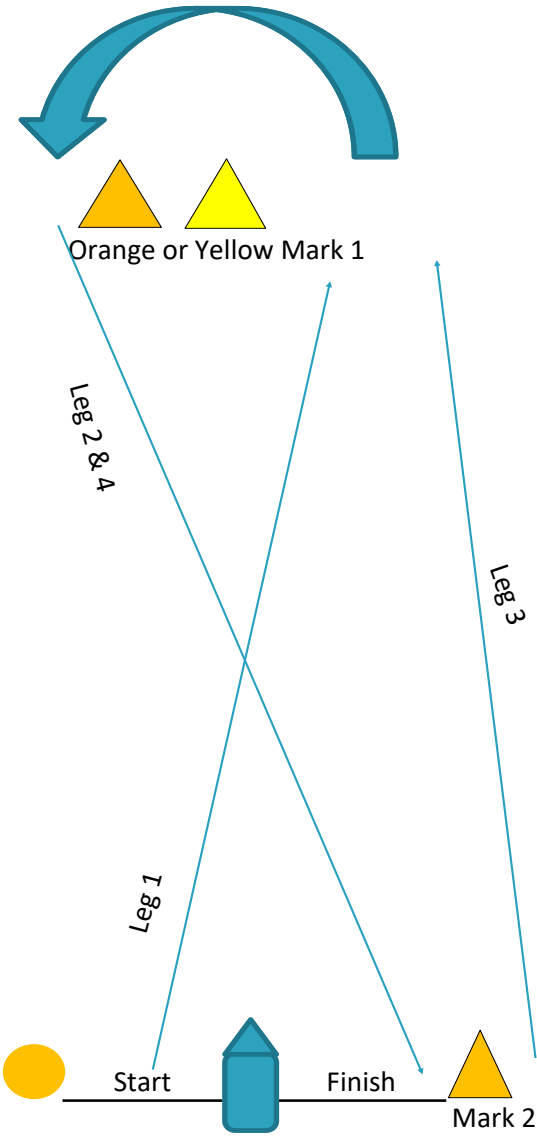


## Appendix A

### 2018 Women's Regatta Starting Order / Class Flags

Fleet		Flag
J-24	-	White w/ J/24
Cruising Club	-	Red
PHRF Spinnaker A	-	Yellow
PHRF Spinnaker B	-	Purple

# Attachment A



- Course angles are approximate

## GBCA Women's Regatta Scratch Sheet

Skipper	Sail #	Boat Type	Class	Rating
Shari Wynd	1809	Cal 40	GBCA Cruising Club	100
Bill Mead	303	Pearson 30	GBCA Cruising Club	196
Emily Farris	133	Cal 33-2 SD	GBCA Cruising Club	200
Andrea Hanson	N/A	Hunter 28.5	GBCA Cruising Club	220
Florence Rodriguez	814	J-24	J-24	171
Elisabeth Hudson	93	J-24	J-24	171
Rebekah Holmes	1155	J-24	J-24	171
Allie Cribbs	8	Martin 242	PHRF Spin A	69
Elizabeth Wheeler	51	Melges 24	PHRF Spin A	96
Marie Mather	9	RS 21	PHRF Spin A	120
Laurie Stapp	1428	J-22	PHRF Spin A	174
Andrea Zita	973	J-22	PHRF Spin A	174
Nancy Welch	21335	C&C 38-2	PHRF Spin B	129
Caroline Glasgow	30957	Moorings 432	PHRF Spin B	132
Nicole Laster	60120	Cal 33-2	PHRF Spin B	156