



CORTEZ RACING ASSOCIATION

A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT CORPORATION
SAN DIEGO, CA



NOTICE OF RACE

MARCH MADNESS REGATTA

A PHRF-SD Championship Series Event

Saturday, March 13, 2021

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, except [US Sailing Prescriptions](#) to Rule 63.2 will not apply.
- 1.2 [DP] Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all boats will follow the *SD County Safe Reopening Protocol for Recreational Boating* attached to this NOR. The person in charge of the boat has numerous responsibilities and this protocol is required reading.
- 1.3 Each boat racing in a PHRF class is required to have a current, valid PHRF certificate or temporary rating issued by [PHRF San Diego](#).
- 1.4 The following rules will be modified in the Sailing Instructions:
RRS 35 *Time Limit and Scores*: There is a time limit of **4:45 pm** for all racing.
RRS 61.1(a) *Protest Requirements*: Protestor required to inform the RC at the finishing line.
RRS 61.3: *Race office* defined to include an email address.
RRS 62.1(a) *Redress*: Removes grounds for redress due to failure of hails for OCS boats or due to the PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned to a race.
RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5 are modified in the SIs to allow the race committee to disqualify a boat without a hearing for:
 - Infringing USCG Navigational Rule 9
 - Sailing through an obstruction.

2 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND COURSES

The sailing instructions and course table will be available by **5:00 PM** on Friday, March 12, 2021, on the [CRA](#) website.

3 COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 The online official notice board is located at:
https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/21854#_newsroom.
- 3.2 On the water, the race committee will make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on VHF radio channel 68.
- 3.3 [DP] Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The regatta is open to all members of organizations affiliated with US Sailing.
- 4.2 All eligible boats must enter on-line at www.cortezracing.com, no later than **6:00 PM on Friday, March 12, 2021**.

- 4.3 [DP] All boats shall have clearly visible sail numbers. Missing, improper, inconsistent, unclear, illegible, or numbers other than those used for check-in, are not permitted and may result in being scored DNF. RRS 60.2, 63.1, and A5 are modified to add that the RC may disqualify a boat infringing this instruction without a hearing.
- 4.4 Late entries will only be accepted from CRA members. Late entrants may not check in by radio, but must provide to the R/C, in writing, the owner's name, DOB and zip code, email address, phone number, boat name and type, sail number, class, and RLC and Buoy ratings, to complete their entry. Submission of this information to the RC represents the boat's acceptance of the liability waiver in the registration form and that they agree to be bound by *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by all other rules that govern this event, including the *SD County Safe Reopening Protocol for Recreational Boating*.

5 FEES

\$40 Registration fee for non-CRA members, with a \$5 discount for USSA membership. No charge for CRA members.

6 CLASSES AND CLASS PENNANTS

- 6.1 The following classes will be offered: *Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, One Design, Cruising Class, and Multi-hull boats*.
- 6.2 One design classes may be considered, if requested by the Fleet Captain, and if four boats sign up by Wednesday, March 10, 2021, to constitute a class.
- 6.3 Spinnaker class breaks will be determined by the Race Committee based on entries. Official Spinnaker Class assignments for the regatta will be established and posted as an amendment to the NoR on the regatta website no later than 1200 Friday, March 12, 2021. Provisional assignments MAY be posted earlier.
- 6.4 [DP] The class numeral pennant must be flown from the backstay of all yachts, or in a prominent manner on the stern, when checking in, while racing, and when finishing. Competitors shall supply their own numeral pennant.
- 6.5 The Organizing Authority retains final authority for a boat's class placement.

7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 Two races are scheduled for all classes except non-spinnaker boats, which will have one long race.
- 7.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race is **11:55 AM**. The warning signal for the second race will be as soon as possible after the completion of the previous race.

8 VENUE

- 8.1 The starting area is in the vicinity of the ½ mile marker mid-Harbor Island.
- 8.2 The racing area covers the general locale known as San Diego Bay. For navigation, refer to NOAA Chart #18773, San Diego Bay.

9 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 9.1 *Appendix T*: Arbitration will apply.
- 9.2 Alternative Penalties Rules V1 and V2 will apply.

10 SCORING

- 10.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 10.2 Each boat's score shall be the total of her race scores. No score will be excluded.
- 10.3 Boats will be scored using Time-on-Distance.
- 10.4 PHRF "RLC" ratings will be used as the default for scoring all races and to determine class breaks. However, the PRO may elect, on a race-by-race basis for each class, to use the "Buoy" ratings, should conditions permit.
- 10.5 The PRO's decision regarding the rating assigned will not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1 (a).
- 10.6 PHRF non-spinnaker offsets will be used for scoring the non-spinnaker class only.

11 PRIZES

- 11.1 Race results will be published on the CRA web site. There is no after race party.
- 11.2 Regatta prizes will be awarded using the listed procedure: one prize in each class of 2 - 4 boats, two for 5 - 7 boats, three for 8 or more, based on the number of starters in the class.
- 11.3 Regatta prize winners will be informed where they may pick up their prizes.

12 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. 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. The race organizers (CRA, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or an other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against CRA and its officers, directors, members, committees and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

13 FURTHER INFORMATION

Questions may be addressed to the R/C Chair, Colleen Cooke, at sailorcookie@cox.net or (619)852-5010.

SAFE REOPENING PROTOCOL RECREATIONAL BOATING (NON-COMMERCIAL) ADDENDUM

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to provide guidance for San Diego County Yacht Clubs, Port Tenants, and Public Parks/Launch Ramps, where boaters embark on their outings, to amend their sanitization and social distancing protocols to include vessels.

Measures to Protect Guest Health (Mandatory)

- Each boat will be required to log all persons aboard for purposes of contact tracing during the incubation period.
- The person in charge of each boat will confirm that each person aboard has shown no signs of illness and does not live with or had contact with any person who has had signs of illness for at least 14 days. Signs of illness can include but are not limited to: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, and diarrhea.
- **Face coverings will be required to be available for everyone on the boat and must be worn properly when within 6' of another person not in the same household.**

Measures to Prevent Crowds from Gathering

- No land-based social event or gathering associated with boating.
- When rafted together, persons transiting across boats or on someone else's boat will wear face covering when 6' of separation cannot be achieved.

Measures to Keep People at Least Six Feet Apart

- **Limit number of persons on board based on the natural configuration of the boat to allow a 6 foot separation between non-household persons unless face coverings are worn.**

Measures to Prevent Unnecessary Contact

- **Face coverings will be utilized in interior areas where more than one person is present.**

Measures to Increase and Ensure Hygiene and Sanitation

- The person in charge of the boat shall be responsible for the cleanliness and sanitation of the boat prior to allowing persons on board.
- The person in charge of the boat will be responsible for providing hand washing facilities and/or hand sanitizer effective against COVID-19 to all persons on the boat, to include requiring hand sanitizing before boarding.
- The person in charge of the boat will be responsible for providing disinfecting sprays or wipes that are effective against COVID-19 to sanitize equipment and frequently touched surfaces.

References:

SD County COVID-19: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/coronavirus.html>

CDC COVID-19: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>