



NOTICE OF RACE

2021 Island Hop Regatta

July 10 & 11, 2021

Organizing Authority:
Ocean Springs Sailing Squadron

1. RULES

The regatta will be governed by the rules defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.

2. CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to all multihull vessels 16 feet long and longer. One design classes are encouraged and a minimum of five boats will qualify any one design class for separate one design class scoring. Eligible boats must register in person at OSYC before the races. .

3. ENTRY FEES AND REGISTRATION

The Registration Fee is \$90, payable at Regatta Network. Late fee is \$110 after 23:59pm July 2, 2021 The entry fee includes 2 days of racing, 2 regatta t-shirts, Fried chicken and copious beverages after racing on Saturday. Registration fee shall be paid in cash at check-in. Each boat shall provide sail number, SCHRS rating and the names and emergency contact information for each crewmember at time of check in.

<https://schrs.com/ratings.html>

4. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, July 9th 2021

Onsite Check in: 1700-1900

Saturday, July 10th, 2021

Onsite Check in: 0800-0900
Competitor's Meeting 0930
First Signal 1030

Sunday, July 11th, 2021

Competitor's Meeting: 0930
First Signal 1030

5. COMPETITOR'S MEETING

There will be a competitor's meeting both days under the clubhouse at 0930.

6. VENUE

This regatta will take place in Biloxi Bay and the Mississippi Sound.

7. SCORING

For One Design Classes, the Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A of the RRS will apply, except that a boat's worst score will not be discarded. Boats not in a one design class will be scored via the SCHRS. The SCHRS handicapped fleets will be Open Spinnaker and Open Non-Spinnaker. One completed race shall constitute a regatta.

8. PENALTY SYSTEM

Rule 44.1 is changed for all boats so that the Two-Turns Penalty is replaced by the One Turn Penalty (including one tack and one jibe). This changes RRS 44.1.

9. TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded

10. SAFETY

In addition to the requirements of RRS Rule 40 and its U.S. Sailing Prescription, a condition of entry and participation in this regatta is the wearing of a U.S. Coast Guard approved PFD, properly secured at all times while on the water, except for brief periods while removing or adding clothing. Wet suits, dry suits and inflatable PFD's do not constitute adequate personal buoyancy. Failure to comply is not grounds for protest, however boats will not be checked in, started, or scored unless all members of the crew comply with this rule.

11. RADIO COMMUNICATION

All vessels are encouraged to have a VHF radio and to monitor the race management channel as well as VHF channel 16. Except in case of emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio transmissions not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to mobile telephones.

12. 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 regatta.

13. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Preliminary sailing Instructions may be available online, and final official sailing instructions will be available onsite at check-in. The courses to be sailed will be contained in the sailing instructions.

14. RACE COURSE

Starting line for Races #1 and #3 is just south of OSYC

14.1 Race 1. Vessels will proceed SSE from the starting line on a course approximately 150 degrees

towards the west end of Horn Island. AIM TOWARDS THE WESTERN EDGE OF THE

WESTERNMOST GROUP OF TREES AS YOU ARE APPROACHING THE ISLAND. The Committee Boat will be just off of the Island. Racers will finish between the committee boat and an Orange cylinder. Race 2 will follow the reverse course to the OSYC finish line.

14.2. Race 3. The course will run west from the starting line to the channel between Casino Row and Deer Island. Competitors must ROUND CHANNEL MARKER 12 TO PORT and head south. Next competitors must ROUND CHANNEL MARKER 2 TO PORT. Turn East on a course approximately 100 true to the Biloxi East Channel south and honor the Former Location of the SMALL RANGE MARKER GPS. where a chase boat and orange cylinder will be placed. Proceed north down the East Channel to the finish line between the race committee boat and an orange cylinder near the OSYC beach area.

