

COLUMBUS DAY REGATTA 2021 October 9th , 2021 – Covid Guidelines

One Day Event

Organizing Authority: Columbus Day Regatta, Inc.

1. Rules

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2. All national prescriptions will apply.
- 1.3. If there is a conflict between languages, the English text will take precedence.

2. Advertising

2.1. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the organizing authority.

3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1. The regatta is open to the following classes:
- 3.1.1. **PHRF:** Current PHRF certificate required. If the certificate is not a Southeast Florida PHRF certificate, it may be subject to adjustment by the CDR rating Committee.
- 3.1.2. **ONE DESIGN CLASS:** To be determined by Committee if any.
- 3.1.3. **ASSIGNED RATING CLASS:** Any boat with present or past racing ability, 16' or larger LOA will have a rating assigned by the Committee and must use the sails declared by the Master on the entry form. Picture and manufacturer specifications must accompany application form. Yachts intending to use two genoas OR a spinnaker downwind must declare them on the entry form.
- 3.1.4. **GUNKHOLE CLASS:** Cruising pleasure yachts, as selected by the Committee, will have a rating assigned by the Committee. Picture and manufacturer specifications must accompany application form. Spinnakers, bloopers, or specialized sails will not be allowed. (Specialized sails are any sail flown free and not hanked on).
- 3.1.5. **MULTIHULL CLASS:** Catamarans or Trimarans, 24' or larger, using MASF rating.
- 3.1.6. **SALM FREEDOM CLASS:** Shake-A-Leg Miami's Freedom 20's open to both disabled and able-bodied competitors.
- 3.1.7. **BEACH CAT CLASS:** Beach Cats, Fast Cats and Spinnaker Cats (16ft or longer) are invited to participate. Classes will be assigned based on number of entries
- 3.2. Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form at: <u>https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_registration_form.php?regatta_id=23181</u> and by paying the entry fee.
 - 3.3. Entries without a boat rating must supply a picture and manufacturer specifications included with their entry to Columbus Day Regatta.
 - 3.4. No entry will be accepted after noon on Wednesday October 6th, 2021.
 - 3.5. Entries may be delivered to Coral Reef Yacht Club at 2484 S. Bayshore Dr. Miami, Fl. 33133 c/o Chris Lanza until noon October 6th, 2021. Please give to receptionist at front desk. If desk closed, give to gate guard.

4. Fee:

4.1. The fee for this event is \$40.00 and there will be no refund if the regatta can't be conducted due to unforeseen circumstances i.e. bad weather. If the competitor does not participate, there will be no refund.

5. Schedule:

- 5.1. There will be a Skipper's meeting via **ZOOM** on Thursday October 7th, 2021, at 18:30 hours. The Zoom link will be posted on the CDR website <u>http://www.columbusdayregatta.net</u> and emailed to all registered competitors.
- **5.2.** The Warning Signal for start of the regatta will be October 9th , 2021 at 10:00. <u>All Classes</u> will start at the same time.

(This is similar to the start system used for the Key Largo Race).

- 5.3. There will be one race for all classes.
- 5.4. There is NO packet pick up this year. Sailing instructions and bow/boat number assignment will be sent to competitors from Regatta Network. It is the skipper's responsibility to hold up the boat Number at the finish displaying the bow/boat number <u>and to announce their number via VHF Channel 71 as they approach the Finish Line.</u>
- 5.5. Class assignments and courses will be posted on Regatta Network.

6. Sailing Instructions:

6.1. The Sailing Instructions will be posted on the CDR website http://www.columbusdayregatta.net by October 6th, 2021, by noon.

7. Venue:

- 7.1. The regatta for all classes will be started and finished in the vicinity of the Rickenbacker Bridge in Biscayne Bay.
- 7.2. The Sailing instructions will have an attachment showing the location of the racing area.

8. Courses:

8.1. The Sailing Instructions will include course diagrams. All classes will finish in the approximate location of the start except the Gunkhole class who will be finished in the south end of the bay. See Sailing Instructions for details.

9. Penalty System:

9.1. RRS 44.1shall apply.

10. Scoring:

- 10.1. One race must be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 10.2. RRS A3 will apply.
- 10.3. The corrected time shall determine a boats' finishing place.

11. Support Boats:

11.1. Support Boats shall not assist competitors from the warning signal to the finish of the race unless safety assistance is required.

12. Berthing:

- 12.1. Due to Covid restrictions, berthing is not available at any of the yacht clubs on Biscayne Bay.
- 12.2. Most yacht clubs on Biscayne Bay still prohibit non-members on their property due to on-going Covid-19 restrictions. Do not assume you can berth at a Yacht Club.

13. Equipment:

- 13.1. All boats shall have a functional VHF on board and monitor Channel 71.
- 13.2. All boats shall have a suitable tow line available at least 16' long.
- 13.3. All Beach Cat and SALM skipper/crew shall wear PFDs during entire regatta. Failure to comply may lead to a penalty as determined by the protest committee.
- 13.4 No monohull shall add any form of trapeze unless the class rules for that class authorize one or more trapezes and they are racing as a class.

14. Radio Communication:

- 14.1 Except in an emergency a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data transmission that is not available to all boats. Failure to comply may lead to a penalty as determined by the protest committee.
- 14.2 The Race Committee will communicate with competitors and monitor VHF 71 during the

regatta When a boat is finishing, they **<u>should</u>** hold up their boat/bow number and **<u>shall</u>** call their boat/bow number to the race committee on VHF Channel 71. Failure to notify the race committee via VHF may result in the boat not being scored.

15. Prizes:

- 15.1 The first three yachts in each class will receive a trophy. Additional trophies may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- 15.2 Perpetual Trophies will NOT be awarded this year
- 15.3 The Trophy Presentation will be scheduled for a later date when Covid restrictions allow for a gathering of several individuals. If that is not practical, we will have the competitors pick up their trophies at the gate guard house at the Coral Reef Yacht Club in the near future. Results will be found on the CDR website http://www.columbusdayregatta.net

16. Disclaimer of Liability:

16.1 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.

17. Insurance:

17.1 Insurance is NOT required but encouraged.

18. Additional Information:

- 18.1. See the CDR website: http://www.columbusdayregatta.net
- 18.2. CDR Chairman: Chris Lanza 305-956-9040 email: cfl@lanzalaw.com
- 18.3. Race Officer: Mike Catalano 786-390-0301 email: mcatalanolaw@gmail.com