

Commodore John V. Dugan III, Memorial Round the Cat Race

2021, October 2nd

Pass Christian Yacht Club 120 South Market St Pass Christian, MS

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- **1.1.** The regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the 2021-2024 edition of *The Racing Rules of Sailing* and by the GYA PHRF Regulations.
- **1.2.** If there is a conflict between the notice of race and the sailing instructions, the sailing instructions shall take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the notice board located inside the Pass Christian Yacht Club (PCYC) lounge.

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0930 on the day it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- **4.1.** Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagpole on the South side of PCYC.
- **4.2.** If a postponement is signaled ashore, the warning signal will be made not less than 30 minutes after Flag AP is lowered. This changes Race Signals "AP."

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Saturday, October 2nd, 2021

0830-0930 Breakfast and Registration
0930 Competitor briefing
1025 PHRF Class warning signal

6. CLASS FLAG

6.1. The PHRF Class flag shall be a dark green.

7. RACING AREA

7.1. The racing area will be on Mississippi Sound, South of Pass Christian harbor.

8. COURSES

- **8.1.** The primary course for the race will be around Cat Island with a total distance of approximately 28 NM.
- **8.2.** Weather conditions may require the use of the inside-the-island course for a total distance of approximately 16 NM.

8.3. Specific courses and marks are provided on the attachment below.

9. MARKS

- **9.1.** Pin end of the starting line will be an orange tetrahedron.
- **9.2.** All other marks on the course will be fixed marks described on navigation charts.
- **9.3.** The finishing line will be between an orange flag on the Yard Arm halyard on the South lawn PCYC flag pole and the PCYC channel piling marked with a red triangle approximately 50 yards to the Southwest of the PCYC fishing pier.

10. THE START

- **10.1.** The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- **10.2.** The race committee signal boat will, after the starting signal, attempt to hail the sail numbers of boats that have not complied with RRS 29.1 or 30.1 on VHF channel 68. The delay of such a hail, or failure of a competitor to hear such a hail, shall not be grounds for granting redress; this changes RRS 62.1(a).

11. TIME LIMITS

11.1. The time limit to finish for all classes will be 10 hours from their starting time.

12. PROTESTS

12.1. Protests forms are available at the PCYC office. Yachts intending to protest must so advise the race committee immediately after finishing the race. Protests must be lodged within one hour of the finishing time of the last boat in the class to finish within the time limit.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

13.1. A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee prior to leaving the racing area by VHF hail. If this is not possible, she shall notify the PCYC Admin Office upon arriving ashore at 228-452-2571.

14. EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATION

14.1. Race committee will be on VHF channel 68. Given distance of the race, Race Committee may not receive VHF communication for competitor emergencies. It is advisable that each boat monitor Channel 68 and 16 for emergencies and to render assistance if necessary.

15. PRIZES – Prizes will be awarded to competitors as follows:

15.1. Three boats registered First Place

15.2. Five boats registered First and Second Places

15.3. Six boats registered First, Second, and Third Places

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.