

PRACTICE STARTS

(LIKE IT NEVER HAPPENED REGATIA)

May 21, 2022

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. REFER TO RACE FOR THE CASE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND SCRATCH SHEET

- **1.1.** Refer to the Race for the Case Regatta S.I.'s for starting area, VHF channel, and more. The sailing instructions below are for practice starts proceeding the Race for the Case Regatta.
- **1.2.** Refer to the Race for the Case Scratch Sheet. Classes are intended to be the same as the Race for the Case scratch sheet. At the discretion of the RC, classes may be combined.
- 1.3. For scoring, prizes, and postings on Regatta Network, this event will be treated as "LIKE IT NEVER HAPPENED".

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- **2.1.** This regatta provides our visiting and local competitors an optional early season set of practice race starts where they and their crews can rapidly practice in our water just before the start of our Race for the Case Regatta that follows 15 minutes after this regatta concludes.
- **2.2.** To especially welcome visiting competitors, the start will be set as west as possible for given wind conditions, in the designated starting area.
- 2.3. All check-ins for this regatta are carried forward to the Race for the Case Regatta.
- 2.4. Crews are advised to keep a good watch on the RC signal flags. There may be as many as 9 starts across 3 or 4 classes. The Race Committee may (i) start classes in any order, (ii) RC may key the mike at some starts, and not others. (iii) and the RC may abbreviate or discontinue VHF announcements altogether, leading competitors by signal flags alone.

3. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **3.1.** Racing is scheduled for May 21, 2022.
- **3.2.** The scheduled time for the first warning signal is 0930 hrs.
- **3.3.** The course will be an upwind mark directly square with the start line, to be sailed for 1 minute only.
- **3.4.** It is the intent of the race committee to run race starts continuously, until 30 minutes before the next regatta.
- **3.5.** By VHF the RC will announce the conclusion of the regatta.

4. THE START

- **4.1.** Races will be started according to RRS 26 using a rolling sequence where the Start of one class is the Warning Signal for the following class unless otherwise announced by the RC.
- **4.2.** The starting mark will be an orange flag with an "X" marked on it.
- **4.3.** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the signal boat and the flag on the starting mark as described in 4.2, or a nearby mark of the course.
- **4.4.** The RC will attempt to identify OCS boats and broadcast their sail numbers via VHF channel 72. RRS 62.1a. is amended to add "Failure of a boat to see or hear her recall notification and the timing and order of such hail shall not be cause for redress.".
- **4.5.** OCS boats are not to return to the start line, but rather depart the race area immediately.
- **4.6.** Boats whose warning signal have not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and boats in their starting sequence.

5. TIME LIMIT

- **5.1.** For all races, the race is to be automatically abandoned after 1 minute without signals or VHF announcements from the RC. This changes RRS rules 35, A4 and A5.
- **5.2.** The preparatory horn for the next class shall be treated by competitors as race abandonment without VHF announcement or race abandonment signals of any kind. On the one minute signal, feel free to signal boats around you "race abandoned / race never happened"

6. SCORING & PRIZES

6.1. No scoring or prizes. It will be like it never happened.