

2022 Offshore Spring Racing Program

Notice of Race (NOR)

1. EVENT DESCRIPTION

1.1 The 2022 Offshore Spring Racing program will consist of four days of regattas (Sunday May 1, Saturday May 7, Saturday May 21 and Sunday May 22) as further detailed on the FBYC website (www.fbyc.net) or on the Regatta Network event page.

Each regattas will consist of a single day of multiple races for PHRF (A, B, C, NON-SPIN, CC) sailboats holding a valid PHRF of the Chesapeake certificate, one-design classes, and cruising class sailboats having a provisional handicap rating assigned by FBYC.

The format for PHRF A, B, C and NON-SPIN will be courses around drop marks. PHRF NON-SPIN will be sailed allowing only one (1) headsail downwind. PHRF CC (Cruising Class) will be sailed around government marks and drop marks.

1.2 This Notice of Race (NOR) will constitute the complete NOR for this event unless updated on the FBYC website (www.fbyc.net) or the event site on Regatta Network.

2. RULES

2.1 The Organizing Authority is Fishing Bay Yacht Club

2.2 Races will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2.3 US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 63.2 and 63.4 will not apply.

2.3 All boats must meet U S Sailing (Nearshore) Safety Requirements (found at):

https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/US_SER_2019.0_Categories.pdf

2.4 Alterations, deletion, and addition of the rules may be made by the following documents; any conflict will be resolved in favor of the later document in the list.

Offshore General Sailing Instructions (GSIs)

Event Notice of Race

Event Sailing Instructions

3. ENTRIES AND QUALIFICATION

3.1 Sailboats shall comply with US Sailing "Safety Equipment Requirements" (SER) - "Nearshore" category.

3.1.1 In the event of a conflict between the SER and applicable class rules, the class rules shall govern.

3.2 Qualification. Races are open to PHRF Handicap (PHRF SPIN and NON-SPIN), One Design class boats with at least three participants, as well as any Cruising Class boats.

3.3 A competitor who will not have reached his/her 19th birthday by December 31 of the current year may race as a Junior.

3.4 Registration. A completed entry on the corresponding Regatta Network event site, prior to the start of the first race of the event, is required for each event. If the event is part of a larger series, the yacht will be entered and scored for the entire series. A boat may not enter in more than one class in a start sequence. It is the sole responsibility of the entrant to see that the completed online registration is submitted no later than the start of the event's first race, or by the deadline specified in the Event Notice.

3.5 Ratings: A boat entered in a CBYRA sanctioned Handicap Division class shall have a valid rating or measurement certificate on file with the appropriate CBYRA organization. PHRF entries shall also conform fully to the requirements described on the Entry Form under Class Information, unless otherwise stipulated in the Event Notice for a particular race or series. The General or Event Sailing Instructions may have additional requirements. The Race Committee may assign ratings to boats not holding valid certificates only for the purpose of club scoring in non-CBYRA sanctioned events (i.e. FBYC Cruising and Classic Divisions) or non-sanctioned classes. Such ratings are at the discretion of the Race Committee and not subject to appeal.

3.6 Sail Numbers: For any sanctioned event, a boat shall display either US SAILING sail numbers, or the numbers listed by CBYRA, or the sail numbers listed in the roster of sail numbers as maintained by her class. It is the responsibility of the entrant to clearly identify the boat and its class. It is acceptable for a boat to race using sails that differ from that boat's proper sail number, so long as the skipper informs the Race Committee of the change prior to the first start of the day, and receives its acknowledgment.

4. SCHEDULE OF RACES

4.1 SCHEDULE

Date: Each day of racing

0900: Flag Raising & Skippers Meeting

1100: Warning for the first start for multiple races around government and drop marks.

4.2 TIME LIMIT If one boat in a class finishes within five (5) hours of the actual start time of the race for that class, then the race will be valid for all boats in that class.

5. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be posted online at www.fbyc.net or at the event site on Regatta Network.

6. SKIPPERS' MEETING

When held, a Skippers' Meeting will be held at the Flagpole on the Jackson Creek side at 0900 of the day of the race. Any changes to the SIs for the races will be reviewed at this meeting.

7. RACING AREAS

For the starting and racing areas, the Committee Boat will be in the general vicinity of Piankatank R. Lt. R "2" FI R 4s (FBYC "F").

8. SCORING

8.1 The scoring system is as defined in the Offshore General Sailing Instructions (available online www.fbyc.net), except as modified by an Event Notice.

8.2 SPRING SERIES SCORING Races run under this program will also count towards the overall Spring Series. The Spring Series winner in each class or subclass will be the qualified boat having the highest score for the series based on the "High-Point Percentage Scoring System." Daily awards are awarded based on the "Low-Point Scoring System".

9. AWARDS

9.1 Awards for each class, or subclass scored separately will be presented as follows:

DAILY AWARDS: PLACE/MINIMUM NUMBER OF STARTERS

First/3; Second/4; Third/5

SERIES AWARDS: PLACE/MINIMUM NUMBER OF QUALIFIED BOATS

First/1; Second/4; Third/6

9.2 Every attempt will be made to announce and post results on the official notice board at the conclusion of each day's racing. Visiting boats desiring a copy of the race results should find them at www.fbyc.net, the event site on Regatta Network or can contact the Offshore Division Lt. Commander.

10. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in any race or regatta entirely at their own risk as instructed in RRS, 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 race or regatta.

11. NOTICE TO VISITING BOATS

Fishing Bay Yacht Club extends club privileges to visiting boats and crews participating in the events listed in the Sailing Events book. Boats desiring to layover should please contact the General Manager upon arrival – [804-334-7575](tel:804-334-7575). For those arriving via car, please observe all posted speed limits on Fishing Bay Road.