

Sailing Instructions

Firecracker Regatta July 2nd and 3rd, 2022

PERRY YACHT CLUB

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The notation [NP] in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaching that rule. This changes RRS 60.1 (a).

1. RULES

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. Any questions regarding these SI's must be submitted in writing to the race committee prior to 0900 hrs on July 2nd, 2022. Answers will be posted on the official notice board as soon as possible following submission.

2. CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions (SIs) will be posted before 0930 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs on the day before it will take effect, except in event of an AP displayed ashore, the SIs may be changed 15 minutes prior to removal of the AP signal.
- 2.2. Changes to a sailing instruction may be made on the water by the Race Committee Signal vessel displaying Flag "L" with one sound signal and announcing the change. Boats shall sail astern of the signal vessel on starboard tack to receive the change and acknowledge their understanding of the change. The announcement will be made on the Race Committee VHF Channel and with a loud hailer. This change is made in accordance with rule 90.2(c).

3. COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board) located at the 3.1. northwest corner of the PYC pavilion.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed on the flagstaff located outside the PYC pavilion.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in the race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

Date	Number of Races	Time of 1 st Warning Signal
7/02/2022	Up to 5	1100 hrs
7/03/2022	Up to 3	1000 hrs
On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1330 hrs.		

- 5.1. To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with multiple sound signals five minutes before a warning signal is made for the first starting group each day.
- 5.2. Flag A displayed, with no sound, while boats are finishing, or after a group has finished, this means "No more racing today."

6. STARTING GROUP FLAGS

A boat's starting Group flag will be the numerical signal pennant corresponding to the number of the starting Group to which the boat is assigned. Starting Group assignments will be posted on the official notice board prior to the Competitors Meeting and announced at the Competitors' Meeting. Starting Groups may be composed of more than one fleet.

7. THE COURSES

- 7.1. The diagrams in Attachment A show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 7.2. If an offset mark is missing, the course will be sailed as if an offset mark is not a mark on the posted course's diagram.
- 7.3. If a gate mark is missing, the remaining mark shall be rounded to port.

8. MARKS

8.1. The Windward Mark will be an orange mark and the leeward gate will be orange cylinders.

- The windward offset mark will be a red ball. 8.2.
- 8.3. The starting and finishing mark will be a Orange Mark with Yellow banded cylinder.

9. OBSTRUCTIONS

9.1. [DP] While racing no boat shall cross a line crated by adjacent white caution buoys and the nearest shore at Grabber's Point.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Races will be started using RRS 26 with the warning signal made 5 minutes before the starting signal. This is in accordance with RRS 26.
- 10.2. The starting line will be between the staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel at the starboard end of and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- 10.3. [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 10.4. A boat starting later than 5 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.
- 10.5. The race committee may combine two or more Fleets in a starting Group.
- 10.6. The initial order of starting Groups, for the first race on Saturday and Sunday, will be posted on the Notice Board within 15 minutes after the conclusion of the competitor's meeting. The starting order may be changed after the first race.
- 10.7. RRS Appendix J2.1 (2) is changed to read "the schedule of races, the Groups to race and the times of the warning signals for each Group."
- 10.8. RRS Appendix J2.1 (5) is changed to read "descriptions of the starting and finishing lines, Group flags and any special signals to be used."

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 11.1. To change the next leg of the course, the RC will lay a new mark (or move the finish line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change the change mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.
- 11.2. Offset marks will not be set on a changed leg of the course. This changes RRS 33(c).
- 11.3. The RC may make minor changes to the orientation of the course, approximately 5 degrees or less, without signal a change of course. This changes RRS 33(a).

12. THE FINISH

12.1. The finishing line will be between the staff displaying a blue flag on the signal vessel and a Oyellow cylindrical mark.

13. TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

13.1. The Race Time Limit (See RRS 35), and the Finishing Window are shown in the table below,

Race Time Limit	Finishing Window
120 minutes	40 minutes

- 13.2. The Finishing Window is the time for boats to finish after the first boat sails the course and finishes. Boats failing to finish within the Finishing Window, and not subsequently retiring, penalized, or given redress will be scored Time Limit Expired (TLE) without a hearing. A boat, that is still racing, scored TLE shall be scored points for the finishing place two (2) more than the points scored by the last boat that finished, in her class, within the finishing Window, not to exceed the number of boats registered in the class. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.
- 13.3. Boats that have not finished a race and are delaying the start of the next race may be asked to accept being scored in place at the time of the notification.

14. HEARING REQUESTS

- 14.1. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 14.2. Protest forms are available at the race office located at the PYC Pavilion. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.
- 14.3. Notices will be posted no later than 15 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held at a location near the PYC Pavilion.
- 14.4. On the last scheduled day of racing a request for redress based on a protest committee decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes rule 62.2.

15. [DP] [NP] SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1. Prior to the warning of the first start of the first race of each day, each boat shall check-in with and be recognized by the signal vessel displaying Code Flag L by passing

- close astern on starboard tack and hailing her sail number. When a boat has been recognized, the signal vessel will hail the boat's sail number.
- 15.2. [DP] A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee at the first reasonable opportunity.

16. REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 16.1. Substitution of competitors is allowed.
- 16.2. Substitution of damaged or lost equipment is allowed.

17. EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

17.1. [DP] [NP] A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the sailing instructions. On the water, a boat can be instructed by a race committee equipment inspector or measurer to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

18. TRASH DISPOSAL

18.1. Trash may be placed aboard support or official boats.

19. RISK STATEMENT

19.1. Competitors participate in this regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 3, Decision to Race. Competitors acknowledge that sailing involves potential risks. As a condition of their participation in this regatta, competitors release all claims they may have against the Perry Yacht Club and its officers, directors, members, committees, and employees for damage to property, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta. Competitors shall be responsible for damage or injury caused by their breach of The Racing Rules of Sailing or applicable governmental rules for the avoidance of collision.

ADDENDUM A 20.









