

# **SAVANNAH YACHT CLUB**

**2022 Firecracker REGATTA  
July 16-17, 2022**

## **SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

### **1. Rules**

**1.1 This regatta is governed by the “rules” as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)**

**1.2 Any competitor observed discharging trash into the waters of the racing area will, after a hearing to confirm the incident, be scored DSQ for that race.**

### **2. Entries**

**2.1 Eligible boats may be entered by completing registration on site from 1000-1100 on the day of the event, or online at:**

**<https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/24828>**

**2.2 Eligible boats are One Design Fleets such as Optimist Cubes, Sunfish, 420's, and Melges 15.**

### **3. Changes to the Sailing Instructions**

**Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted on the official notice board within 30 minutes following the end of the competitors meeting or earlier.**

### **4. Notice to Competitors**

**Notices to competitors will be posted on the official glass notice board located riverside on the SYC Dock House/Sail Loft.**

### **5. Signals Made Ashore**

**Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flag staff located on the SYC bluff. Code flag “AP” with 2 sound signal means the race is postponed. One sound Signal will be made when “AP” is lowered. This changes Race Signals “AP”. When the flag AP is displayed ashore, “1 Minute” is replaced with “Not less than 60 minutes” in the race signal AP.**

**6. Schedule of Races**

**July 16th, 2022, Saturday: 12:30 First Warning for class/classes to start. When possible, indicated by their class flag. Other classes will start either in conjunction with or after, as indicated by their class flag, and/or verbally, and/or as posted on RC Signal.**

**July 17th, 2022, Sunday: 10:00 First Warning for class/classes to start. No races to start after 2:00pm**

**Racing Area**

**Racing area will be the Wilmington and Skidaway Rivers.**

**7. Courses**

**Courses may be selected from the course appendix.**

**8. Marks**

**Marks for the Melges 15 and Adult Sunfish fleet will be orange Tetrahedrons, as outlined on the course board. Marks for the Optimist Cubes, 420's and Junior Sunfish Fleets will be orange hippity hops. Start line will be an orange flag on a staff or race committee boat and orange hippity hop at pen end.**

**Please pay attention to the Course Board**

**9. The Start**

**Races will be started by using a 5 minute sequence. Before the First Warning Signal of the day, all skippers intending to race shall check in by sailing past the stern of the signal boat and hailing their boat sail number. Any boat failing to do so may be scored Did Not Start (DNS) for that race. All boats shall compete in the Class for which they are registered. Approximately 1 minute prior to Warning Signal for each Class, as a courtesy, the Race Committee will make several short sound signals. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal boat and the start "Pin" mark. A boat shall not start later than 5 minutes after her starting signal. Boats whose preparatory signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area and clear of all boats whose preparatory signal has been made.**

**10. Recalls**

**The Race Committee will endeavor to recall OCS boats.**

**The lack of a hail, the failure to hear a hail, the timelines of the hail, or the order for the hail SHALL NOT be grounds for redress. General recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2.**

**11. Finishing Line**

The finish line will be between a staff displaying an blue flag on the Signal Boat and the start/finish “pin” mark.

**12. Shortening the Course**

The race committee may shorten course in accordance with RRS 32 at any mark of the course.

**13. Time Limits**

Each class/race will have a time limit of 60 minutes. Boats finishing more than 15 minutes after the first boat in her class will be scored “TLE”.

**14. Retirement**

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee before leaving the race area. If this is impossible, they shall report their retirement to the front office of SYC immediately upon arriving ashore.

**15. Protests**

A boat intending to protest shall do so in accordance with RRS 60, with these Modifications:

Protests shall be written on the forms available at the Sail Loft and delivered to RC within the time limit. The protest time limit shall be 60 minutes, starting when the signal boat docks. Protests will be heard in the order of receipt and as soon as possible.

Protests notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are parties to a hearing or named as a witness. This posting shall constitute the notification required by RRS 63.2. Rule 66 is changed by adding this sentence: “A party to the hearing may ask for a reopening of a hearing no later than 30 minutes after being informed of the decision.”

**16. Scoring**

Abbreviations for scoring records shall be in accordance with Appendix A of RRS. One race may constitute the series, however; it is the RC’s intention to sail more than one race and hopefully multiple races, based on conditions. Each boat’s score will be the total of all her races.

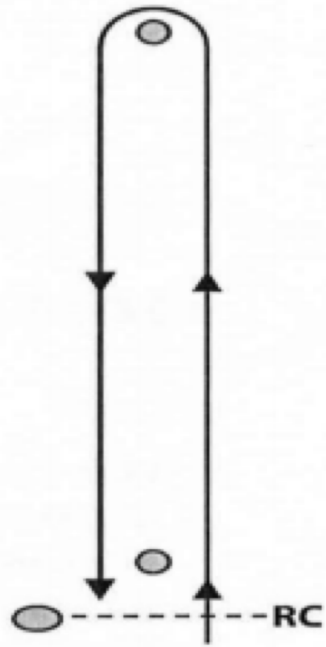
**17. Alternative Penalties**

The one turn penalty as provided in 44.1 and 44.2 of the RRS shall apply.

**18. Radio Communication**

**While racing a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive special radio transmissions not available to all boats.**

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