



# Old Timers Memorial Race

**August 12, 2023**

Halifax River Yacht Club

Daytona Beach, FL

## **Sailing Instructions**

### **1 RULES**

- 1.1 The rules governing the 2023 Old Timers Memorial will be: The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (RRS), the 2023 Old Timers Memorial Notice of Race (NOR) the 2023 Old Timers Memorial Sailing Instructions (SI), the 2022 World Sailing Regulations, the FCSA 2023 Rating Policies and Rules and any special instructions issued by the HRYC Race Committee.
- 1.2 Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions will be posted at the Regatta Network on the official notice board at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25748>.

### **2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**

- 2.1 Any notices to competitors will be posted at HRYC on the official notice board and will also be available at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25748>.
- 2.2 Communications via VHF radio shall be made on **channel 72**. All instructional communications via VHF radio will cease 5 minutes before the first warning signal.

### **3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of the race will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before it will take effect. Any changes will also be posted at <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25748>.

### **4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

No Signals made ashore will be displayed at any time.

### **5 SCHEDULE OF RACES AND ACTIVITIES**

- 5.1 Date of racing is Saturday, August 12, 2023.
- 5.2 The scheduled time of the warning signal will be 1155 EDT.
- 5.3 There are two races scheduled, a single start for all classes is expected for the first start, and perhaps for the second race. If an R/C boat is present, there might be separate starts for the different classes.

### **6 THE COURSE**

- 6.1 The courses will be set using inflatable marks to denote the starting line (with R#2) and the windward mark. The position of the windward mark will be provided via VHF. It is anticipated that the races will use a windward-leeward course configuration, with the start-finish line serving as a gate if more than one lap is sailed.

### **7 MARKS**

- 7.1 Inflatable marks will be used to denote the start-finish line and to serve as the windward mark.

### **8 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS**

- 8.1 There are no areas that are designated as obstructions unless amended by the race committee signal boat.

## 9 THE START

9.1 The Cruising Class and the Performance Class warning will be at 1155 for the first race. If no R/C is present to conduct the start, all signals will be made on VHF channel 72.

## 10 RECALLS

10.1 Display of code flag “X” and one sound signal shall signal individual recalls. A boat recalled shall be notified by hail and on VHF channel 72 if possible; however, it is the responsibility of any yacht that is OCS to properly clear themselves.

10.2 Display of code flag “I” as the preparatory flag requires a yacht that is OCS within one minute of the start to round an end of the starting line before starting.

## 11 THE FINISH

11.1 When approaching R#2 to finish at the sea buoy, and there is no defined line to cross, then a boat will finish when she passes **within two boat lengths of the mark and turns such that the sea buoy is due north of the helmsman position.** The sea buoy is to be **left to starboard.**

11.2 Send your recorded finish times to Chris Herbster **386-679-6314**, and Todd Stebleton **386-547-3555** as soon as possible after completing the race. Text message is preferred over voice.

## 12 PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1 The Scoring Penalty, rule 44.3 (RRS), will apply for those boats not exonerating themselves under Rule 44.1. The penalty shall be one (1) percent of a yacht’s elapsed time added to her corrected time. This changes Rule 44.3 (c) (RRS). A yacht taking a scoring penalty shall report it to the Race Committee within the protest time limit.

## 13 TIME LIMITS AND TIME REFERENCE

13.1 The time limit for all classes is 1800 (6 pm). If no boat has reached the windward mark within 60 minutes, that race could be abandoned by the R/C.

13.2 Boats failing to finish by 1800 will be considered DNF.

13.3 The time reference for all boats shall be that which is provided by the National Institute of Standards and Technology time as broadcast by radio station WWV in Fort Collins Colorado. These may be accessed by telephone at 303-499-7111, Internet at <https://time.gov/> or by radio. The station radiates at 10,000 Watts on 5, 10, and 15 MHz; and 2500 Watts on 2.5 and 20 MHz. Each competitor is responsible for calibrating their own clocks.

13.4 All boats are strongly encouraged to use the RaceQs smartphone application (<http://raceqs.com/>) to track their boat in the races. This free application will allow competitors to replay the race, with an opportunity to see where they may have performed well, or poorly, with respect to the other boats in the fleet. In addition, since the application uses GPS time to report position and location it can serve as a verification of events on the water, possibly to verify the reported finish time, or interactions between boats in the event of a protest.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

14.1 U.S. Sailing [Protest forms](#) are available at HRYC and online. Protests shall be filed on a U.S Sailing Protest Form and be delivered within the protest time limit.

14.2 The protest time limit is 1200 on the day after the race. Boats that intend to file a protest must inform the R/C on the water (if present) of their intentions. All boats involved in the protest should be contacted by VHF and informed of their involvement by the boat filing the protest.

14.3 The same time limit applies to protests by the Race Committee and Protest Committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 (RRS) and 62.2 (RRS).

14.4 Protests shall be filed in person at HRYC using the standard US Sailing Protest form. The completed protest form may be emailed to [hryc.rc@gmail.com](mailto:hryc.rc@gmail.com) with the subject of “Old Timers Memorial Race

Protest for race [race number]”. For those wishing to send their protest via FAX, use 386.255.5377. The cover page should include the same information as in the email subject. For electronic submissions, the deadline is based on the time it was received, not the time it is read.

- 14.5 Notices of protests by the Race Committee or Protest Committee will be posted in accordance to rule 2.1 of the Sailing Instructions to inform competitors under rule 61.1(b).
- 14.6 Protest hearings shall be scheduled as soon as possible after boats return to shore. All parties listed on the protest form will be advised of the time of the protest hearing. All protest hearings will be held at HRYC, 331 Beach St., Daytona Beach FL, or via remote meeting tools as is desired by those involved in the hearing. Remote users are responsible for providing their own Internet connection and must agree to use the meeting application chosen by the Protest Committee.
- 14.7 A list of boats that, under instruction 14.4, have acknowledged breaking rule 42 or have been disqualified by the Protest Committee will be posted before the protest time limit.
- 14.8 Breaches of instructions 16 and 24 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes rule 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches may be less than disqualification if the protest committee so decides.
- 14.9 Decisions of the Protest Committee will be final as provided in rule 64.
- 14.10 All boats shall always carry a US Sailing protest form and a standard protest flag.

## 15 SCORING

- 15.1 Scoring will be the low point system. There are no dropped scores for this event. Ties will be broken using the Total Corrected Time for the two races. This changes the RRS A8.
- 15.2 All boats shall be scored using their FCSA PHRF rating and corrected *time on time*.
- 15.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to reclassify any boat at its discretion

## 16 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 16.1 Check-in: Boats shall sail within hailing distance of the committee boat and state their boat name and sail number and fleet. Check-in by VHF on channel 72 is also allowed.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 16.3 All boats shall carry all the necessary safety equipment required by law, regulation, or class rules.
- 16.4 All boats competing in the Old Timers Memorial should comply with all ISAF Category 4 requirements

## 17 REPLACEMENT OF CREW OR EQUIPMENT

- 17.1 Substitution of competitors will not be allowed without prior written approval of the Race Committee.

## 18 EQUIPMENT AND MEASUREMENT CHECKS

- 18.1 A boat or equipment may be inspected at any time for compliance with the class rules, the FCSA Rating Policies and Rules, the Sailing Instructions and all other rules and policies that apply. On the water, a boat may be instructed by a Race Committee to proceed immediately to a designated area for inspection.

## 19 OFFICIAL BOATS

- 19.1 Official boats will be marked with a race committee flag, or will be identified on channel 72.

## 20 SUPPORT BOATS

- 20.1 All support boats shall stay outside areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the first class to start until all boats have started the race, the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment.

## 21 RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 21.1 A boat shall neither send nor receive any radio, mobile phone or Wi-Fi network transmissions while racing that are not available to all boats.

## 22 PRIZES

- 22.1 Prizes will be given as follows:
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in all classes with 5 or more boats competing
  - 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in all classes with less than 5 boats competing

22.2 Prizes will be awarded at the HRYC Sailing Awards Dinner, November 17, 2023.

### 23 **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

23.1 The Race Committee will be in charge of all scheduled races. The Race Chairman or his designate will have final decision over management issues of the race, including, but not limited to whether a boat will be allowed to compete, penalties (except protest – which will be over-seen by the protest committee), scoring, eligibility of yachts to race and time limits.

Despite the schedule to race and despite the Race Committee's decision to race, it is **ALWAYS** the skipper's decision whether he, his vessel and/or his crew should participate in any race. The responsibility of the decision to race and any and all consequences lie **SOLELY** with the skipper, captain or owner/operator of the vessel. **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY, HEALTH AND WELFARE OF YOUR VESSEL AND ANYONE ABOARD! YOU ARE FURTHER RESPONSIBLE FOR ACTIONS TAKEN BY YOUR CREW AND DAMAGE TO, OR CAUSED BY, YOUR VESSEL. THIS SHOULD ALWAYS GUIDE YOUR DECISION TO RACE AND YOUR ACTIONS WHILE RACING.** The Race Committee accepts **NO** responsibility for your decision to race and the consequences that accompany it.

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) will not be responsible for damage to any boat or other property or the injury to any competitor, including death, sustained as a result of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor agrees to release the race organizers from any and all liability associated with such competitor's participation in this event to the fullest extent permitted by law.

### 24 **INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$250,000.00 (USD).