



2023 Sarasota Bay Cup Regatta

Organizing Authority: Bird Key Yacht Club, Sarasota, FL
April 15, 2023

One Design Sailing Instructions

The notation [DP] denotes a rule for which the penalty is at the discretion of the protest committee.

The notation [NP] in a rule of the sailing instructions (SIs) means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

Regatta Network (RN) - <https://www.regattanetwork.com/event/25909>

1. Rules

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in Racing Rules of Sailing and the US Sailing Prescriptions.
- 1.2 In the event of conflict with the Regatta's Notice of Race and *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, these Sailing Instructions will take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

2. Changes to the Sailing Instructions

- 2.1 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 races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.
- 2.2 Oral changes to a sailing instruction may be communicated to each boat by the race committee on the water.

3. Communications with Competitors

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located online at RN. Notices may also be sent to registrants by email and text through Regatta Network.
- 3.2 On shore and on the water, the race committee intends to monitor and communicate with competitors on VHF radio channel 72.
- 3.3 [DP] While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed at the flagpole at front of the Sarasota Sailing Squadron clubhouse.
- 4.2 When flag AP (postponement) is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in Race Signals AP.

5. Schedule

- 5.1 The warning signal for the first race will be at 13:00 Saturday April 15. Three races are scheduled.

6. Class Flags

Each class flag will be the class insignia on a plain background or announced at the initial Competitors' Meeting with the list posted as soon as practicable on the online Notice Board after the Competitors' meeting.

7. Racing Area

The racing area will be Sarasota Bay near the southern end of Longboat Key.

8. Course

8.1 The diagram in Attachment A shows the courses, including the approximate angles between legs, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

9. Marks

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Mark	Description
1, 2s, 2p	Orange inflatable
1a	Red Ball
Change Mark	Yellow inflatable
Start	Boat displaying an orange flag Green inflatable
Finish	Boat displaying a blue flag Red inflatable

10 The Start

10.1 The starting line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

10.2 [DP] [NP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.

10.3 A boat that does not start within 4 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2.

11 Change of the Next Leg of the Course

11.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark and offset (or move the finishing line) and remove the original marks as soon as practicable.

11.2 If only one gate mark is set, boats shall leave the single mark left to port.

12 The Finish

12.1 The finishing line is between a staff displaying a blue flag on the signal boat and the course side of the finishing mark.

13 Time Limits

13.1 The race time limit for the first boat of each class to finish is 1 hour.

13.2 Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat in their class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.1 and A5.2.

14 Hearing Requests

14.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the signal boat docks. The time will be announced on VHF channel 72.

14.2 Notices will be announced on VHF channel 72 before, but no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held as soon as practicable in the Bird Key Yacht Club, beginning at the time announced.

- 14.3 Hearings are expected to be heard in person but may be changed to online. Instructions for online hearings will be provided by the protest committee.
- 15. Scoring
 - 15.1 One race is required to be completed to constitute a series.
 - 15.2 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.
- 16. [DP] Safety Regulations
 - 16.1 Competitors shall check in by hailing their sail number to the signal vessel before the start of the first race.
 - 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall attempt to notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 17. Prizes
 - Prizes will be given for each class based upon the class selected in registration and the number of registrants in each class.

Attachment A – Course Illustration
COURSE W

Course	Description	
	Windward/Leeward offset mark 1a with Downwind finish	
	Possible courses	
	Signal	Mark Rounding Order
	W1	Start-1-1a-Finish
	W2	Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish
W3	Start-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-2s/2p-1-1a-Finish	