# Sisters With Sails Regatta

## Lake Ray Hubbard May 13, 2023

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 RULES
- 1.1 The event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 *Racing Rules of Sailing* (referred to "RRS" hereafter).
- 1.2 Skipper defined: for the entirety of each race in the regatta, the registered female skipper must be at the helm of her boat. This rule supplements the RRS. A violation of this rule will result in disqualification of the boat and no score for that race.
- 1.3 There are two classes in the regatta:

Diamond: PHRF rating below 210

Platinum: PHRF rating 210 and above

- 1.4 The organizing authority is a joint committee comprised of members of Sapphire Bay Yacht Club and Chandler's Landing Yacht Club as a joint undertaking of Sapphire Bay Yacht Club and Chandler's Landing Yacht Club. Skippers are encouraged to wear their tiara during the race.
- 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS
- 2.1 Notices to competitors will be emailed to the address used to register for the Sisters with Sails Regatta and posted on Regatta Network.
- 2.2 Supplementary sailing instructions (called "the Supplement" below) will be emailed to the address used to register for the Sisters with Sails Regatta and posted on Regatta Network.
- 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
- 3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted and emailed before 8:30 a.m. on the day it will take effect, unless this time is changed in the supplement. Any change to the schedule of races will be posted and emailed by 7:00 p.m. on the day before it will take effect.
  - ✓ Skippers, check your emails after 7:00 p.m. on May 12, 2023.

#### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole in front of The Yacht Club at Chandler's Landing.

#### 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

All races will be held Saturday, May 13, 2023.

#### 5.1 **TIME**

### 9:00 a.m. Registration

Skippers: Registration is available at Sapphire Bay Yacht Club (located at or near the Ship Store) and Chandler's Landing Yacht Club (located in the Portside Room which is downstairs in The Yacht Club).

Skippers need to check in and receive their tiaras, wristbands for the party, t-shirts, and provide a list of crew members who will be on their boat during the regatta.

Skippers must be registered by 10:00 a.m.

11:00 a.m. Diamond Class: First Warning Signal Additional races following
11:05 a.m. Platinum Class: First Warning Signal Additional races following

3:30 p.m. No Warning Signal after this time

5:00 p.m. Trophy presentation and Post-Race Party

Location: The Yacht Club at Chandler's Landing downstairs in the SS Lounge. There are a few guest slips available at Chandler's Landing Marina on a first come, first served basis or dock your boat at your home marina and join us for the celebration.

5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with one sound at least five minutes before a warning signal is made.

#### 6 CLASS FLAGS

- 6.1 Diamond: The class flag will be the number one (1) pennant.
- 6.2 Platinum: The class flag will be the number two (2) pennant.

#### 7 THE COURSES

7.1 No later than the warning signal of each race, the race committee will

- designate the course. Skippers must check the board on the race committee boat and check in with race committee prior to each race.
- 7.2 The courses are illustrated in Appendix 1, including the order in which marks are to be rounded. All roundings are to port.

#### 8 MARKS

- 8.1 A list of the marks which may be used is in Appendix 2.
- 8.2 Any changes to the marks, such as using dropped marks, will be included in any supplement or announced by the race committee prior to the warning signal for each race or as provided in the RRS.

#### 9 THE START

- 9.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26, with the Warning Signal five minutes before the Starting Signal.
- 9.2 Diamond class will be the first class to start. The first warning signal will be at 11:00 a.m.
  - Platinum class will start second.
- 9.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 9.4 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after the starting signal will be scored Did Not Start.

#### 10 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

10.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark. Race Committee will announce any change to the next leg of race on VHF radio (See 18).

#### 11 RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.1. In addition, the Race Committee will attempt to broadcast the name or number of each recalled boat on VHF radio (See 18). The following shall not be grounds for redress:
  - Failure of a boat to receive the recall broadcast

- A boat's position in the sequence of broadcast numbers
- 11.2. General recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.2.

#### 12 THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

#### 13 TIME LIMITS

- 13.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within one hour of the start, the race will be abandoned.
- 13.2 Boats failing to finish with 40 minutes after the first boat in the race finishes will be scored Did Not Finish, without a hearing.

## 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protest Forms may be picked up at the Registration Table at The Yacht Club at Chandler's Landing following the regatta. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. If no one is present at the Registration Table during the protest time period, please contact Shila Fletcher at (214)685-2600.
- 14.2 The protest time limit is 60 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.
- 14.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and where the hearings will be held.
- 14.4 Notices of protests by the race committee, technical committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

## 15. SCORING

- 15.1. One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.
- 15.2. Scoring will be made with adjustments in Finishing Places including the boat's Lake Ray Hubbard PHRF rating. The Low Point System in A4 will be used (with adjustments for each boat's PHRF rating).

15.3 A boat's regatta score will be the total of her race scores.

#### 16. SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- 16.1 Check-In: Before the warning signal of her first race, each boat shall sail past the race committee vessel and hail her sail number or boat name until acknowledged by the race committee by repeating the boat's sail number or boat name.
- 16.2 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as practical by VHF radio.

#### 17. SUPPORT BOATS

17.1 Coaches, cheerleaders, fans, and support personnel shall stay outside the areas where boats are racing from the time of the preparatory signal for the race to start until all boats have finished or retired or the race committee signals a postponement or abandonment.

#### 18 RADIO COMMUNICATION

18.1. The Race Committee will use Channel 71. Except in an emergency, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cellular telephones and devices.

#### 19 PRIZES

- 19.1 Trophies will be awarded for first, second, and third place in each class as determined by the organizing authority and regatta committee which is comprised of members of Sapphire Bay Yacht Club and Chandler's Landing Yacht Club.
- 19.2 The Sisters with Sails Regatta Trophy will be awarded to the top finishing boat in each fleet whose crew members on the boat during the entire regatta consist of primarily females (more than 50 percent of crew including skipper). Skippers must submit their crew member list at registration to be considered for this award. Crew member lists may also be emailed prior to the regatta to shilafletcher@gmail.com.

## 20. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

20.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 Decision to Race and RRS 4 Acceptance of the Rules, as well as this disclaimer. The organizing authority, race committee, and regatta committee will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta. This disclaimer is a complete disclaimer of liability intended to be as broad as possible. Any person participating in the regatta accepts the terms of this disclaimer.

Skippers, you are responsible to inform your crew members and participants on your boat of the dangers of sailing and the disclaimer of liability.