

2023 Dallas Race Week

Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. Races will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing (2021-2024) ([ISAF-RRS](#)), and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2. **All boats shall provide to the race committee a completed registration form. To register, go to the Regatta Network's Event page: www.DallasRaceWeek.com**
- 1.3. **Updates to a boat's registration information (ie. contact info, sail #'s, etc...) shall be provided by updating the registration information on Regatta Networks.**

2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1. The Regatta Network's Event page for the current series and the Facebook Group (Sailors Racing) will be used as the Official Notice Boards. Notices will also be forwarded by email/text to registered skippers. As a courtesy, notices shall be provided by email/text to registrants on the Sailors Racing Regatta Networks event page. www.DallasRaceWeek.com
- 2.2. **Facebook Group: [Sailors Racing](#)**

3. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1. Any changes to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Boards 24 hours prior to the scheduled start time of the race in which it will take effect.

4. SIGNALS

- 4.1. All signals shall be announced via radio broadcast, on Channel 71 (see Section 15 RADIO COMMUNICATION)

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1. Races will be conducted per the schedule posted on the Official Notice Board (see Section 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS)
- 5.2. Unless agreed to otherwise, and posted in advance, only one race is scheduled per day.
- 5.3. Official time to be used for races shall be UTC (Coordinated Universal Time), or GMT (Greenwich Mean Time).

Note: GPS time shall not be used. GPS Time differs from UTC by at least 17 seconds.

Correct UTC/GMT time may be obtained from one of the following:

Greenwich: <https://greenwichmeantime.com/>

Atomic Clock: <https://www.time.gov/>

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. The fleets designated for each sailing series will be as follows:

- “A” AUX boats with PHRF Base Rating less than 121
- “B” AUX boats with PHRF Base Rating greater than or equal to 121 and less than 211
- “C” AUX boats with PHRF Base Rating greater than or equal to 211
- “D” AUX boats with Displacement over 6,500 pounds.

6.2. A boat that classifies for the “D” AUX fleet may instead race a series with the fleet designated by their PHRF rating (A,B, or C).

6.2.1. ***Displacement fleet Boats declaring that they wish to sail in the fleet designated by their PHRF rating (A, B, or C) shall notify the scorer prior to the beginning of each series, and shall sail the entire series in that fleet.***

6.3. ***There WILL NOT BE a separate fleet designation for the “Main and Jib” boats. “Main and Jib” boats will sail in the fleet designated by their handicap, adjusted to the Main and Jib rating, per the Lakewide PHRF Handicap System.***

6.4. The Race Committee shall not add any additional fleets to any race or series without prior approval.

6.5. Pursuit Starts will be used.

7. RACING AREA

7.1. The racing area is on Lake Ray Hubbard, South of Interstate 30 (see Appendix 2: Map - Lake Marks)

8. THE COURSE

8.1. The course to be sailed will be designated and announced by the race committee prior to the start of the day's race.

8.2. Leave all marks to Port, except as prescribed by the Race Committee

9. MARKS

9.1. The marks of the course will be temporary marks consisting of Orange Spheres, White Sphere, and Yellow Cans, as well as the permanent marks/buoys of the lake, as described in Appendix A.

9.1.1. Each of the permanent marks has been marked with an alpha or numeric designation as shown on the map. GPS coordinates for each of these marks are provided. See Appendix 2: Locations - Lake Marks

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10. THE START

10.1. Abandoning a Race

- 10.1.1. A race will not be abandoned until after its official warning time, unless at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 10.1.2. In the event of forecasted unfavorable conditions, the Race Committee (utilizing Go/No Go reference data) shall notify all racers that the day's race will be abandoned, but shall not make this notification more than 24 hours prior to a day's race.
- 10.1.3. Abandonment more than 3 hours prior to a day's race will be posted on the Official Notice Board (See 2 - Notices to Competitors)

10.2. All boats shall endeavor to check-in at the Race Committee boat prior to the warning signal of each day's race. Check-in may be done via radio communication with the race committee at least 5 minutes prior to the warning signal of the day's race. The Race Committee, at its discretion, may waive this requirement for a day's race.

10.3. The starting line will be between the Race Committee boat and permanent mark "0".

10.4. There shall be no time limit for a boat to start after her posted starting time. This changes rule A4.

11. THE FINISH

11.1. The finish line will be between the Race Committee boat and a temporary mark "hippity hop".

11.2. The Race Committee shall finish the boats racing as the leading most part of the boat crosses the finish line.

11.3. All boats racing, retiring early (not intending to finish), shall notify the Race Committee at its earliest convenience. (See section 16 Safety).

12. CHANGE OF COURSE AFTER THE START

12.1. There shall be no change of course after the start.

13. TIME LIMIT

13.1. The time limit for the first boat to finish a race will be 90 minutes (1 1/2 hours) from the start. Any boat not finishing within 120 minutes (2 hours) of the start will be scored DNF.

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14. SCORING

- 14.1. The Low-Point Scoring System, rule A2 will apply.
- 14.2. There will be no throw-outs.
- 14.3. Boats scored as DNS, OCS, DNF, or DSQ shall be scored points for the finishing place, one more than the number of boats participating in the day's race. (DNS shall only be scored for those boats that endeavored to come to the starting area).
- 14.4. Boats scored as DNC shall be scored points for the finishing place, one more than the number of boats registered in her fleet for the series.
- 14.5. Scores will be recorded by fleet and overall finish
- 14.6. Protests - Rule 61 - Appendix T is in effect. Protests shall be resolved during the race if at all possible. Corinthian [gentlemen] sailing is the goal of Dallas Race Week.

15. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 15.1. The race committee will monitor VHF channels 16 and 71. All communications with the race committee should be done on channel 71, or by check-in. All communications after the start of the race should be made via VHF radio so that the information is shared by all competitors. After acknowledged contact on VHF channel 16, the race committee will direct the hailing boat to switch to channel 71.
 - 15.1.1. In case of an emergency, a vessel in distress should hail on Marine VHF channel 16. If unable to make contact with the appropriate authorities or Race Committee, consider attempting to hail Race Committee on channel 71 and channel 16. Repeat sequence as necessary.
- 15.2. Radio communications with the race committee during the starting sequence is discouraged, and will only be answered at the discretion of the race committee, or in the event of an emergency.
- 15.3. The race committee will endeavor to hail individual recalls. Hails will also be broadcast on VHF channel 71.

NOTE: DON'T FORGET to bring your VHF RADIO. Race Committee will use channel 71 to radio information to the competitors before and during the start sequence. Race Committee will radio the fleet on channel 71 as to the course for the day's race. Also, monitor channel 71 for course changes, and as a means to "stay connected" to the fleet during the race, and in case any boat radios a distress message. If you do not have a working VHF radio, arrive early enough to check in with the Race Committee to receive the course.

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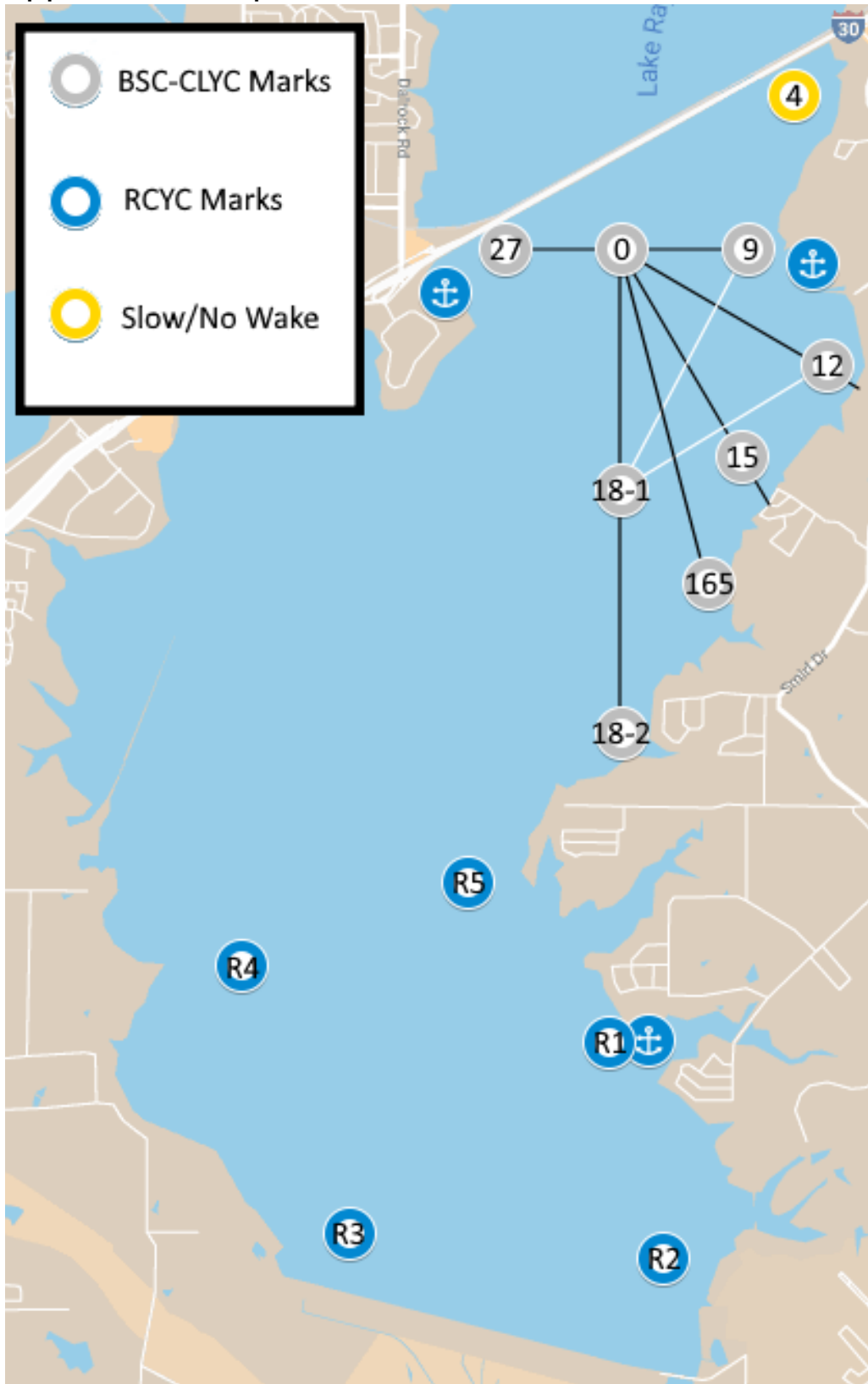
16. SAFETY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE

- 16.1. It shall be the sole responsibility of each yacht to decide whether or not to start or continue a race.
- 16.2. All boats participating are asked to check in with the committee boat prior to the Warning signals of each race.
- 16.3. A yacht that retires from a race shall attempt to notify the race committee before leaving the course area. See 15 Radio Communications.
- 16.4. Competitors participate in each racing series entirely at their own risk. See Racing Rules of Sailing (2017-2020) rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with, or prior to, during or after the racing.
- 16.5. To the fullest extent permitted by law, participants waive any rights they may have to sue the race organizers (organizing authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, sponsors, or any other organization or official) involved with the event with respect to personal injury or property damage suffered by the participant or their crew as a result of participation in this event and release the race organizers from any liability for such injury or damage.
- 16.6. Other Misc. Safety Information:

BE AWARE: All competing boats should already have an emergency plan in place to immediately retrieve a crew person who inadvertently falls overboard. All boats within close proximity to this type of emergency should be prepared to render aid.

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Appendix 1: Map - Lake Marks



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Appendix 2: Locations - Lake Marks

Notes:

1. All numeric mark designations represent the compass bearing to the mark from mark "0"(zero), divided by 10. The third digit of a mark designation represents the distance to the mark from mark "0"(zero).
2. Mark "N4" is the **fourth** mark from the north short of Interstate 30, near The Harbor. Coordinates to this mark in the chart below are an approximate location, to be used as a guide only.
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From	Mark	Description	Latitude	Longitude	0	4	9	12	15	165	18-1	18-2	27	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5
		0	Start	32N 52.688	96W 30.018	048	090	120	150	165	180	180	270	181	178	195	208	194
		4	The Harbor	32N 53.332	96W 29.161	228	197	173	188	190	204	195	242	191	186	201	212	203
		9	Chandlers-North	32N 52.686	96W 29.394	270	017	146	181	187	208	195	270	190	185	202	215	204
		12	Chandlers-South	32N 52.2	96W 29	300	353	326	223	209	239	210	290	198	190	209	224	215
		15	Mahria Bay	32N 51.82	96W 29.42	330	008	001	043	195	255	204	311	193	186	207	225	213
		165	Heath Inlet	32N 51.295	96W 29.585	345	010	007	028	015	317	211	329	192	184	209	231	219
		18-1	South, 1 mile	32N 51.685	96W 30.018	000	024	028	059	075	137	180	334	181	177	200	219	201
		18-2	South, 2 miles	32N 50.69	96W 30.018	000	015	015	030	024	031	000	346	182	176	208	238	225
		27	Bayside Marina	32N 52.688	96W 30.599	090	062	090	110	131	149	154	166	173	171	189	200	183
	R1	RCYC Club	32N 49.383	96W 30.083	001	011	010	018	013	012	001	002	353	166	233	282	319	
	R2	RCYC Heath	32N 48.483	96W 29.817	358	006	005	010	006	004	357	356	351	346	274	305	333	
	R3	RCYC Sunnysvale	32N 48.583	96W 31.367	015	021	022	029	027	029	020	028	009	053	094	338	018	
	R4	RCYC Power Plant	32N 49.7	96W 31.9	028	032	035	044	044	051	039	058	020	102	125	158	070	
	R5	RCYC Terry Point	32N 50.05	96W 30.783	014	023	024	035	033	039	021	045	003	139	153	198	250	

Distances are in nautical miles

Note: Mark 4 is the 4th buoy from I-30, off the north shore of The Harbor. Coordinates for Mark 4 are approximate.

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0	Start	32N 52.688	96W 30.018		048 0.97	090 0.52	120 0.99	150 1	165 1.44	180 1	180 2	270 0.49	181 3.31	178 4.21	195 4.26	208 3.38	194 2.72
4	The Harbor	32N 53.332	96W 29.161	228 0.97		197 0.68	173 1.14	188 1.53	190 2.07	204 1.8	195 2.74	242 1.37	191 4.03	186 4.88	201 5.1	212 4.3	203 3.56
9	Chandlers-North	32N 52.686	96W 29.394	270 0.52	017 0.68		146 0.59	181 0.87	187 1.4	208 1.13	195 2.07	270 1.01	190 3.36	185 4.22	202 4.43	215 3.66	204 2.88
12	Chandlers-South	32N 52.2	96W 29	300 0.99	353 1.14	326 0.59		223 0.52	209 1.03	239 1	210 1.74	290 1.43	198 2.96	190 3.78	209 4.13	224 3.49	215 2.62
15	Mahria Bay	32N 51.82	96W 29.42	330 1	008 1.53	001 0.87	043 0.52		195 0.54	255 0.52	204 1.24	311 1.32	193 2.5	186 3.36	207 3.63	225 2.97	213 2.11
165	Heath Inlet	32N 51.295	96W 29.585	345 1.44	010 2.07	007 1.4	028 1.03	015 0.54		317 0.53	211 0.71	329 1.63	192 1.96	184 2.82	209 3.1	231 2.52	219 1.6
18-1	South, 1 mile	32N 51.685	96W 30.018	000 1	024 1.8	028 1.13	059 1	075 0.52	137 0.53		180 1	334 1.12	181 2.3	177 3.21	200 3.3	219 2.54	201 1.76
18-2	South, 2 miles	32N 50.69	96W 30.018	000 2	015 2.74	015 2.07	030 1.74	024 1.24	031 0.71	000 1		346 2.06	182 1.31	176 2.21	208 2.39	238 1.87	225 0.91
27	Bayside Marina	32N 52.688	96W 30.599	090 0.49	062 1.37	090 1.01	110 1.43	131 1.32	149 1.63	154 1.12	166 2.06		173 3.34	171 4.26	189 4.16	200 3.18	183 2.64
R1	RCYC Club	32N 49.383	96W 30.083	001 3.31	011 4.03	010 3.36	018 2.96	013 2.5	012 1.96	001 2.3	002 1.31	353 3.34		166 0.93	233 1.34	282 1.56	319 0.89
R2	RCYC Heath	32N 48.483	96W 29.817	358 4.21	006 4.88	005 4.22	010 3.78	006 3.36	004 2.82	357 3.21	356 2.21	351 4.26	346 0.93		274 1.31	305 2.13	333 1.77
R3	RCYC Sunnyvale	32N 48.583	96W 31.367	015 4.26	021 5.1	022 4.43	029 4.13	027 3.63	029 3.1	020 3.3	028 2.39	009 4.16	053 1.34	094 1.31		338 1.2	018 1.55
R4	RCYC Power Plant	32N 49.7	96W 31.9	028 3.38	032 4.3	035 3.66	044 3.49	044 2.97	051 2.52	039 2.54	058 1.87	020 3.18	102 1.56	125 2.13	158 1.2		070 1
R5	RCYC Terry Point	32N 50.05	96W 30.783	014 2.72	023 3.56	024 2.88	035 2.62	033 2.11	039 1.6	021 1.76	045 0.91	003 2.64	139 0.89	153 1.77	198 1.55	250 1	

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