2023 BARRY BROWN FROSTBITE REGATTA



CORPUS CHRISTI YACHT CLUB

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2021-2024 Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of the United States Sailing Association, rules of the South Texas PHRF, the Notice of Regatta, and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 Where there is any conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions, the Sailing Instructions shall be controlling.
- 1.3 Any questions regarding these Sailing Instructions must be submitted in writing to a race committee representative. The question and any answer will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board.

2. ENTRIES

A boat shall be considered entered if she has completed all registration and paid entry fees by 0930 Saturday December 9, 2023. Late registration may be accepted at the sole discretion of the RC. All yachts must hold a valid 2023 South Texas PHRF rating or temporary rating and will be scored according to that rating. Boats without a current PHRF rating shall apply to the local PHRF Committee for a temporary rating. Alternatively, the RC retains the right, at its sole discretion, to assign a temporary PHRF rating for the sole purpose of this regatta.

3. NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

All written Notices to Competitors will be posted on Regatta Network and/or in the CCYC Lanai area.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will either be posted in the CCYC Lanai and/or posted on Regatta Network. Changes will be posted before 1000 on the day it will take effect,
- 4.2 The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to also amend the Sailing Instructions orally and on the water if necessary.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the CCYC Flag Staff near the pool.
- 5.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, 1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 60 minutes' in the race signal AP.

6. SCHEDULE

These times are all subject to change at the discretion of the RC and may be changed after the Sailing Instructions are published:

Saturday December 9, 2023

- 0930 Competitor's meeting upstairs at CCYC.
- 1100 First warning signal, additional races to follow
- TBD Awards will be presented after the protest time limit has expired or immediately after the conclusion of all protest hearings.

7. CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

- 7.1 The racing classes for this regatta may consist of "A" and "B" All Sails classes and "A" and "B" NonSpin/150 classes, For the formation of a class, a minimum of three (3) yachts will be required. All Sails and 150 Classes shall be divided into "A" and "B" fleets by the Principal Race Officer (PRO) based upon PHRF ratings and depending on participation.
- 7.2 Classes will start in the following order for the starting sequence:

ClassFlagNon-Spin/150 A&BGreenAll Sails A&BPink

8. RACING AREA AND COURSE

- 8.1 The racing area will be the Corpus Christi Marina and Bay
- 8.2 For Non-Spin/150 classes, the course for each race will be posted on a board on the stern of the RC signal boat when on station at the starting line. The order of marks to be rounded and the side to which each mark is to be left will be listed sequentially.
- 8.3 All Sails classes will be a W/L course using a windward tetrahedron. Course and distance to the mark will be listed on the back of the RC boat.
- 8.4 If an unforeseen shore start is utilized the courses for both classes will be posted at the Wednesday Night Start Line on the starting board.
- 8.5 To change the next leg of the course, the RC may move the original mark or the finishing line to a new position.
- 8.6 The RC may tweak the course during a race, to maintain a fair racecourse, no more than .1nm or 10 degrees without signaling a course change. This changes RRS 33.

9. MARKS

- 9.1 Fixed bay marks may be used as numbered in the race mark map available online athttps://ccmorf.org/cc-bay-racemarks/and on the BB Regatta web page on Regatta Network.
- 9.2 When passing through the Gap, all navigational aids on station shall be considered marks of the course and left on the proper side if an unforeseen Wednesday start is used.
- 9.3 On the course board, the letters "p" or "s" following a mark designated to which side the mark is to be taken ("p" for port and "s" for starboard).
- 9.4 An orange tetrahedron and/or orange hippity hop could be used as the start/finish pin and windward/leeward marks respectively.

10. THE START

- 10.1 Races will be started using RRS 26.
- 10.2 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end of the line and an orange mark (Hippity Hop) at the port end or the Wednesday night start line as briefed at the skippers meeting.
- 10.3 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after their class's starting signal will be scored "DID NOT START" (DNS). This modifies rule A5.1 and A5.2.

11. RECALLS

- 11.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with rule 29.1. In addition, the race committee may attempt to promptly broadcast the sail number or name of each recalled boat on VHF channel 69.
- 11.2 The following shall not be grounds for redress:

Failure of a boat to receive the recall broadcast,

Failure of the race committee to broadcast proper recall numbers,

A boat's position in the sequence of broadcast numbers,

The promptness of the broadcast, if any.

12. THE FINISH

12.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the port end of the line and an orange mark (Hippity Hop) at the starboard end (as viewed from the windward mark) or the regular Wednesday night finishing line if briefed at the Skippers Meeting.

13. TIME LIMIT

13.1 If no boat finishes a race within ninety minutes (90 minutes) of the start, the race shall be abandoned.

13.2 Any boat may be scored DNF "in place" if her corrected time against the last finisher in her class eligible for a prize (based upon the number of prizes authorized under Section 19 below) plus thirty minutes has elapsed and she has not yet finished.

14. PROTESTS

- 14.1 Boats wishing to file a protest shall file a written declaration of the protest on a "US Sailing Protest Form" available at the CCYC front desk and shall be submitted to the RC Chairman within forty-five (45) minutes after the time of the docking of the race committee signal boat.
- 14.2 Protesting boats must notify the race committee at the finishing line if they intend on filing a protest.
- 14.3 Protest notices will be posted on the Official Notice Board within one-half hour of the Protest Time limit to inform competitors where and when there is a hearing in which they are interested parties.
- 14.4 The protest committee will hear protests in approximately the order of receipt.

15. SAFETY

- 15.1 A boat retiring from a race or the event shall notify the RC at the first reasonable opportunity.
- 15.2 Skippers shall review the CCYC Emergency Action card as well as the Safety Notification of Spoil Areas prior to racing. These documents are listed on Regatta Network. Having each document onboard is highly recommended.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

All radio communication between competitors and RC will be on channel 69 VHF.

17. LIABILITY

Registering for and entering the Regatta shall in no way hold Corpus Christi Yacht Club, its officers, committee persons, and/or any sponsoring group liable for injury to participants, crew, or yachts.

18. SCORING

- 15.1 Appendix A, Low Point Scoring system will apply.
- 15.2 No races shall be excluded. This modifies Appendix A2.1.
- 15.3 One (1) race is required to complete the regatta.

19. AWARDS

First, second and third place medals will be awarded to each crew in each class at the completion of the regatta based on scoring for all events and racing scheduled. First place winners will be memorialized on the centennial trophy and have 100 years of bragging rights. Champion defenders as well as medal winners shall drink at the club for free while defending their trophy during the Bi Centennial Regatta.

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