

# **2024 Weekend Series**

# **Sailing Instructions**

The Fort Worth Boat Club as the Organizing Authority (OA) issues the 2024 Weekend Series Sailing Instructions for the Marigail, Roadie, Hub Isaacks, Rolling Time, PAKI and Blue Moon.

The document is based on RRS 2021-24 Appendix S (pages 147-149) and these are the following local amendments.

#### 1. Rules

1.1. The weekend series races will be governed by the *rules* as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*, the class rules of the applicable one-design classes, and the FWBC Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF) Rules and Regulations.

# 2. Notices to Competitors

- 2.1. Notice to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located on Regatta Networks.
- 2.2. The OA recommends and encourages to select enable SMS messages when registering on Regatta Networks for centralized communications, should the OA need to communicate with competitors.

# 3. Change to the Sailing Instructions

3.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted at least two hours before the warning signal of the first race on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted at least one week before it will take effect.

# 4. Signals Made Ashore

- 4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the harbor flagpole.
- 4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with "not less than 30 minutes" in the Race Signals AP.

# 5. Schedule of Races

5.1. Refer to the 2024 Weekend Series Notice of Race

# 6. Class Flags

6.1. Class assignments are as follows.

PHRF Class Name	PHRF Rating Range	Class Flag	
Spinnaker 1	0-96	Numeral Penant 1	
Spinnaker 2	97-145	Numeral Penant 2	
Spinnaker 3	146+	Numeral Penant 3	
Genoa 1	0-140	Numeral Penant 4	
Genoa 2	141-190	Numeral Penant 5	
Genoa 3	191+	Numeral Penant 6	

# 7. The Courses

- 7.1. *The* courses to be sailed will be posted on the race committee signal boat. prior to the warning signal
- 7.2. Marks shall be left to port in the order posted unless the race committee signal boat displays a green flag or shape to indicated that marks are to be left to starboard.
- 7.3. No later than the warning signal, the race committee will display the approximate compass bearing from the RC signal boat to the first mark.

# 8. Marks

- 8.1. Marks will be permanent and/or temporary buoys.
- 8.2.Permanent buoys will be orange cylinders with a letter designation as shown in Attachment A.
- 8.3.Temporary buoys will be orange tetrahedrons or red spheres, and will be designated by numbers as follows: 1 windward mark; 2 reaching mark; 3 leeward mark
- 8.4. When a temporary buoy is used as a new mark as provided for in RRS 33 and SI 13, it will be an orange tetrahedron with a black band or a red sphere with a black band.
- 8.5. The starting and finishing marks will be marks of the course as described in SI 9.1.

# 9. The Start

9.1.The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and a nearby mark of the course.

- 9.2. Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. [DP]
- 9.3. A boat that does not start within 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 & A5.

# **10. Change of the Next Leg of the Course**

- 10.1. When using permanent marks, to change the next leg of the course, the race committee will display the letter designation of the new permanent mark instead of the new compass bearing. This changes RRS33(a)(1).
- 10.2. After changing the next leg of the course to a new permanent mark, the new permanent mark replaces the original mark for all subsequent legs of that race.

# **11. The Finish**

11.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the finishing mark

# **12. Time Limits**

12.1 If the leading boat fails to reach the first mark within 40 minutes of the starting signal, the PRO reserves the right to abandon the race for that day.12.2 Boats failing to finish with 45 minutes after the first boat in their fleet sails the

course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

# **13. Protests and Requests for Redress**

13.1 Protest forms are available upon request at the FWBC office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit.

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the race committee boat docks after the last race of the day. The time of docking will be signaled by a sound and the time posted on the official notice board.

13.3 Notices will be posted within 30 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and the location of the hearings.

13.4 Notices of protests by the race committee or protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

13.5 Breaches of SIs 11.2 and 17 shall not be grounds for redress.

# 14. Recalls

14.1 Individual recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.1.

14.2 The race committee may broadcast sail numbers or boat names of the recalled boats on VHF channel 68. Failure to receive any such broadcast, a boat's position in the sequence of any such broadcast, or the omission of an over early boat from any such broadcast shall not be grounds for redress.

14.3 General Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.2. If a subsequent class flag has been displayed, it shall be removed and voided.

# **15. Areas that are Obstructions**

15.1 The following areas are designated as obstructions: The Azle Pump Station and the restricted area surrounding the pump station designated by white navigational buoys.

# **16. Safety Regulations**

16.1 A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee as soon as possible. [DP]

16.2 Personal flotation devices (PFDs) shall be worn by all competitors on boats with less than 3 crew aboard at all times while racing. [DP]

16.3 When the (Yankee (Y) flag is displayed on the race committee boat all competitor crews are required to wear personal flotation devices. Failure to do so will result in a DNS score.

16.4 Personal flotation devices (PFDd) shall be worn by all competitors on boats for all races in the Marigail and Roadie series. Failure to do so will result in a DNS score. 16.5 PFDs when worn must be visible to the race committee as outer most clothing

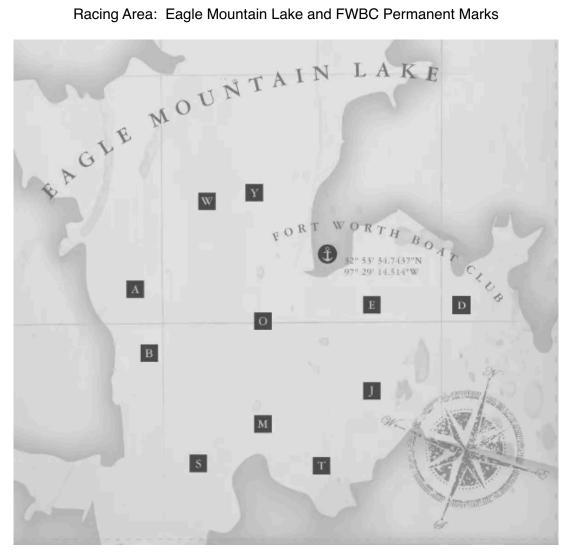
# **17. Disclaimer of Liability**

17.1 Sailing is an activity with inherent risks of damage and injury. Competitors in this event participate entirely at their own risk – see RRS 3, DECISION TO RACE. The race organizers (Fort Worth Boat Club (FWBC) race committee, protest committee, 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.

# 18. Insurance

18.1 Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$300,000.00 per incident.

# Attachment A



Racing Area: Eagle Mountain Lake and FWBC Permanent Marks

FWBC Mark Positions									
Mark	N Coordinate	W Coordinate							
Α	32° 53.286	97° 30.305							
В	32° 53.032	97° 30.264							
D	32° 53.318	97° 28.317							
E	32° 53.330	97° 29.037							
J	32° 52.956	97° 29.006							
м	32° 52.786	97° 29.713							
Ο	32° 53.238	97º 29.713							
S	32° 52.684	97° 30.075							
т	32° 52.714	97° 29.368							
w	32° 53.781	97° 29.879							
Y	32° 53.791	97° 29.713							

FWBC Mark Bearings (Magnetic)											
From /To	Α	В	D	E	J	М	0	S	т	w	Y
Α		168	85	83	102	131	91	158	121	31	40
В	348		75	69	89	113	61	151	108	19	27
D	264	255		266	233	241	261	242	231	284	287
Е	263	249	86		171	222	256	229	200	298	304
J	282	269	53	351		249	291	248	227	314	320
М	311	293	61	42	69		355	247	99	347	355
0	271	241	81	76	111	175		204	146	341	355
S	338	331	62	49	68	67	24		82	4	11
т	301	288	51	20	47	279	326	262		333	340
W	211	199	104	118	134	167	161	184	153		81
Y	220	207	107	124	140	175	176	191	160	261	

FWBC Mark Distances (Nautical Miles)											
From /To	Α	В	D	E	J	М	0	S	т	W	Y
Α		0.26	1.67	1.07	1.14	0.71	0.50	0.63	0.97	0.61	0.71
В	0.26		1.66	1.07	1.06	0.52	0.51	0.38	0.82	0.82	0.89
D	1.67	1.66		0.60	0.68	1.29	1.18	1.61	1.07	1.39	1.26
Е	1.07	1.07	0.60		0.37	0.79	0.58	1.08	0.68	0.84	0.73
J	1.14	1.06	0.68	0.37		0.62	0.66	0.94	0.39	1.10	1.02
М	0.71	0.52	1.29	0.79	0.62		0.45	0.32	0.30	1.00	1.00
0	0.50	0.51	1.29	0.79	0.62	0.45		0.63	0.60	0.56	0.55
S	0.63	0.38	1.61	1.08	0.94	0.32	0.63		0.59	1.11	1.15
т	0.97	0.82	1.07	0.68	0.39	0.30	0.60	0.59		1.15	1.15
W	0.61	0.82	1.39	0.84	1.10	1.00	0.56	1.11	1.15		0.14
Y	0.71	0.89	1.26	0.73	1.02	1.00	0.55	1.15	1.12	0.14	