



Hawaii Yacht Club

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Rabbit Island Race

Sailing Instruction

Sunday, April 7th, 2024

Hawaii Yacht Club

1. RULES

1.1. The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.

1.1.1. RSS 52 is modified to allow the use of autopilot for double and single-handed racers only.

1.1.2. RSS 52 is modified to allow the use of powered winches.

1.1.3. RSS 47 is modified to allow the use of banding for safety purposes.

1.1.4. RSS 63.2 and 63.4 do not apply.

2. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS.

2.1. Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 09:00 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of race will be posted by 20:00 on the day before it will take effect.

3. COMMUNICATION

3.1. Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Hawaii Yacht Club.

3.2. RC for Sail, Scott Allen, can be reached via call/text at (808) 312-2249.

3.3. On the water, the race committee will monitor and communicate with competitors via VHF radio on channel 68.

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4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed at the Hawaii Yacht Club flagpole.



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5. SCHEDULE OF RACE

5.1. Sunday, April 7th.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Warning</u>	<u>Start</u>
B	10:25 am	10:30 am
A	10:35 am	10:40 am
X	10:45 am	10:50 am

5.2. In the event a start sequence is canceled or delayed, the class order will remain unchanged. B class will start before A class before X class.

6. CLASS FLAGS

<u>Class</u>	<u>Flag</u>
B	Bravo Flag (Red square)
A	Alpha Flag (Blue and white)
X	Pink Flag with Black "X"

7. COURSES (STANDARD + 2 ALTERNATE)

7.1. Due to pending high winds this season, one of the following three courses will be determined by majority vote at the skippers meeting held at 08:30am on 04/07/24.

7.1.1. Course 1 (Standard): Start – DH (p) – Rabbit Island (S or P) – DH (S) – Finish
7.1.1.1. Kaohikaipu island (AKA Black Rock, AKA Bird Island) is not a mark on the course.

7.1.2. Course 2 (Alternate): Start — DH (P) — Keehi (S) — DH (P) — Finish

7.1.3. Course 3 (Alternate): Start — DH (P) — Keehi (S) — DH (P) — Keehi (S) — DH (P) — Finish

7.2. Recommend all skippers attend the skippers meeting Sunday morning (04/07/24) at 08:30 to vote on course.

7.3. Chosen course will be announced over VHF Channel 68 the morning of the race.

8. MARKS

8.1. "DH" is red Diamond Head Buoy

8.2. "Rabbit Island" AKA "Manana Island".



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8.3. "Keehi" is green Buoy 1 at the entrance to Keehi channel.

9. THE START

- 9.1. Prior to a yacht's starting sequence all yachts must check in with the RC via VHF channel 68 (mandatory).
- 9.2. The starting sequence will conform to RRS 26.
- 9.3. The starting line will be between the starting mark on the port end and the staff of an orange flag on the Main Race Committee Boat on the starboard end.
- 9.4. Boats starting later than 10 minutes after the last starting signal for their class will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.



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10. THE FINISH

- 10.1. Upon passing Diamond Head buoy, yachts shall immediately call race committee via VHF radio channel 68. (You must get acknowledgment back from race committee as to your position). If you do not receive acknowledgement from race committee, text Scott Allen (808-312-2249).
- 10.2. The finish line will be between the finishing mark on the port end and the staff of an orange flag on the Main Race Committee Boat on the starboard end.
- 10.3. Boats finishing after 1700 hours shall record their own finish time and report it to the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- 10.4. In the event the Main Race Committee Boat is not at the finish line, the finishing line will extend 100' seaward from R2 due south.

11. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1. Protest forms are available from the race committee or on the HYC official bulletin board. Protests and requests for redress shall be delivered to the race committee within the appropriate time limit.
- 11.2. The protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat in the race has finished.
- 11.3. Notices of protests by the race committee or the protest committee will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).

12. SCORING

- 12.1. The low point system of Appendix A will apply.
- 12.2. The PHRF handicap system will be in effect for all boats. Race handicaps will be calculated using the Time-on-Time method.

13. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 13.1. Participants shall monitor VHF Channel 68, otherwise yachts shall monitor VHF Channel 16.
- 13.2. Upon withdrawing from the race, yachts shall inform the race committee via VHF Channel 68, by voice hail, or by calling the principal race officer. Failure to do so may result in denied entry to future races.



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14. PRIZES

14.1. For each class, 1st prize will be awarded if three or more boats enter, 2nd prize will be awarded if five or more boats enter, and 3rd prize will be awarded if seven or more boats enter.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

15.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the race.

16. INSURANCE

16.1. Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum cover of \$500,000 per event or the equivalent.