


ALL FEMALE SKIPPER REGATTA

Lake Ray Hubbard

May 4, 2024

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 Skippers are encouraged to wear their tiaras during the race. Tiaras will be given out during registration.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

2.1 The Official Notice Board will be posted on Regatta Network event website.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted and emailed before 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 2024.

✓ Skippers, check your emails after 7:00 p.m. on May 3, 2024.

4 SCHEDULE OF RACES

All races will be held Saturday, May 4, 2024.

5.1 TIME

9:00 a.m. Registration

Skippers: Registration will be at Sapphire Bay Marina--9051 Marina Vista Rowlett, TX 75088 (located at or near the Ship Store).

Skippers need to check in and receive their tiaras 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.

10:55 a.m. Diamond Class: First Warning Signal Additional races following

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

2:30 p.m. No Warning Signal after this time

4:30 p.m. Trophy presentation and Post-Race Party

The post-race party will be in the SS Lounge downstairs at The Yacht Club--501 Yacht Club Dr. Rockwall, TX 75032 located within Chandler's Landing residential neighborhood.

Drinks will be provided and there will be food for purchase from Smokin' Dawgz BBQ during the post-race party.

- 5.2 To alert boats that a race or sequence of races will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed 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 the first 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 the use of temporary tetrahedrons, 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 start 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 10:55 a.m.
Platinum class will start second at 11:00 a.m.
- 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 Yacht Club following the regatta. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered there within the appropriate time limit. If no one is present 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.

19.2 The Spirit of the Regatta Award will be awarded to the skipper of the Qualifying Boat with the fastest total time which will be calculated using the Lake Ray Hubbard PHRF ratings. A "Qualifying Boat" must have a majority (more than 50 percent) female crew during each race. Crew member lists should 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.