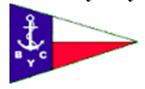
2025 BYC Turkey Day Regatta



BAY YACHT CLUB Corpus Christi, TX

November 15, 2025

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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. RULES

- 1.1 This event will be governed by the rules as defined in the 2025-2028 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 all registration is complete and entry fees paid by 0900 Saturday November 15, 2024. Late registration may be accepted at the sole discretion of the RC. All yachts must hold a valid 2025 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 Bay Star entrance area.

4. CHANGES IN SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1 Any amendments to the Sailing Instructions will either be posted on Regatta Network or onboard the Bay Star. Changes will be posted before 0900 on the day it will take effect.
- 4.2 The Race Committee (RC) reserves the right to also amend the Sailing Instructions orally at the skippers meeting and on the water if necessary.

5. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the RC Boat.
- 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:

6.1. Saturday, November 15, 2025

- 6.1.1 0800-0900: Final check-in, Registration and Launching
- 6.1.2 0900: Skipper's Meeting
- 6.1.3 1100: First race signal of the day, additional races to follow (Change from NOR)
- 6.1.4 1600: Awards and Social at BYC (1600 approx.)
- 6.1.5 1800 2000: Cocktails and Dinner (\$15 per person)

(Skippers please RSVP NLT than the skippers meeting on number of crew attending)

7. CLASSES AND CLASS FLAGS

7.1 For the formation of a class, a minimum of three (3) yachts will be required. Any racing classes for this regatta may consist of "A" and "B" fleets. 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&BYellowJ105Red

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 or bay mark. Course and distance to the mark will be listed on the back of the RC boat. The first race will be a sprint up and back. Unless otherwise notified on the water, the following races will be a two-lap race using the start/finish pin as the leeward mark.
- 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 race course, no more than .1 nm or 15 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 at https://ccmorf.org/cc-bay-racemarks/ and on the Turkey Day Regatta web page on Regatta Network.
- 9.2 if an unforeseen Wednesday start is used, when passing through the Gap all navigational aids on station shall be considered marks of the course and left on the proper side.
- 9.3 On the course board, the letters "p" or "s" following a mark designate to which side the mark is to be taken ("p" for port and "s" for starboard).
- 9.4 An orange tetrahedron and/or red 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 a red 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 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 a blue flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the port end of the line and a red mark (Hippity Hop) at the starboard end (as viewed from the windward mark) OR the regular Wednesday night finishing line, as 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 the corrected time against the last finisher in that class eligible for a prize (based upon the number of prizes authorized under Section 19 below) plus fifteen minutes has elapsed and the boat 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 online) and shall submit to the RC Chairperson 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 BYC 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.
- 15.3 Each boat shall be equipped with safety and life-saving equipment conforming to federal and state regulations. Every crew member must be made aware of the locations and methods for use. This is a responsibility of the skipper.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 16.1 All radio communication between competitors and RC will be on channel 69 VHF. Each boat is required to maintain a fully operable VHF aboard and tuned to channel 69 for the duration of the day's race activities. The volume must be adjusted such that the crew can audibly hear communications.
- 16.2 Each boat shall check in with the Race Committee either by hailing the RC boat or via VHF Channel 69 prior to race start. Failure to check in may result in a score of DSQ, at the discretion of the PRO.
- 16.3 A boat shall not receive special radio or telephone transmissions not available to all boats from 30 min. prior to the first warning until the last boat has finished.

17. LIABILITY

Registering for and entering the Regatta shall in no way hold Bay 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 awards will be given to the boats in each class at the completion of the regatta, based on number of races executed and scoring for all events.

20. CONTACT INFORMATION

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