

Naples OFFSHORE Regatta

A SWFL BOTY Event Saturday December 7, 2019

Sailing Instructions

1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS), the class rules of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Federation (WFPHRF) and these Sailing Instructions.
- 1.2 The Organizing Authority is the GCSC in cooperation with & CMCS.
- 1.3 There will be no signals made ashore.
- 1.4 The notation “[DP]” in a rule in these Sailing Instructions (SIs) means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the Protest Committee, be less than disqualification.
- 1.5 The notation “[NP]” in a rule in these SIs means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

2. Classes, Check-in Procedure and Start

- 2.1 A minimum of three entries will constitute a class. If five or more one-design boats are entered, they will be scored as a class.
- 2.2 **[DP][NP] Boats are to check-in on VHF 72 by paging “Race Committee” and provide the following information: Boat Name, Sail Number, Number of Souls Onboard, Number Attending Breakfast Buffet.**
- 2.3 The start time for all classes is 10:00 AM.
- 2.4 The starting area is in the vicinity of “SC” San Carlos Light (26° 25.13” N, 081°57.55” W), west of Fort Myers Beach.
- 2.5 The race committee boat will be “Calusa”.
- 2.6 There will be a short windward leg and then proceed to the finish.

3. Schedule of Races:

- 3.1 The Race Committee (RC) will operate on GPS time.
- 3.2 The RC will run one race.

4. Finish

- 4.1 The finish area is in the vicinity off the Naples Pier.
- 4.2 The finish line is defined as latitude 26° 07.892” N
- 4.3 **[DP][NP]** All boats are required to take a picture proving their being south of the finish line. This can be a picture of their GPS.
- 4.4 **[DP][NP]** All boats are required to send the pictures taken at the start and at the finish that confirm their positions, including the boat’s TIME and LOCATION to Frank Brown at FBROWN13@yahoo.com or 954-648-5838.

5 Time Limits, Shortening Course and Finishing

- 5.1 Time limit for all boats in all classes is 1600 hours.
- 5.2 Boat failing to finish within the time limit shall be scored Did Not Finish.

6. Penalties, Protests and Requests for Redress

- 6.1 RRS Appendix V1, Penalty at the Time of An Incident, will apply: The first two sentences of rule 44.1 are changed to: A boat may take a One-Turn Penalty when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or rule 31 in an incident while racing. However, when she may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark, her penalty shall be a Two-Turn Penalty.
- 6.2 RRS Appendix V2, Penalty Taken After A Race, will apply, and is changed to: "After a race, a boat that may have broken one or more rules of Part 2 or RRS 31 in an incident while racing may take a Post-Race Penalty for that incident. A boat takes the penalty by delivering a written notice to the race officer or by sending an email to FBROWN13@yahoo.com that identifies when and where the incident occurred. The penalty shall be calculated as stated in RRS 44.3(c). The written notice must be delivered at least fifteen (15) minutes before the protest time limit.
- 6.3 **[DP][NP]** A boat intending to protest or request redress based on an incident that occurred on the water shall notify the RC by hailing Frank Brown on VHF 72 or calling 954-648-5838 before leaving the racing area.
- 6.4 **[DP][NP]** A boat that wishes to take Appendix V2 penalty shall report this to the RC by VHF 72 and submit the request in writing to FBROWN13@yahoo.com.
- 6.5 The protest time limit and the time limit for requests for redress based on an incident in the racing area shall be Saturday, December 7, 1800. This changes RRS 62.2. Written protests shall be delivered by email or personally to either

the Race Committee or the Protest Committee

6.6 Protest/Redress Forms are available online at <https://www.ussailing.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/US-Sailing-2017-2020-Protest-Form.pdf>

6.7 Protest hearing notices will be posted at www.swflsail.com within thirty minutes after the protest limit time has expired.

7. Scoring

7.1 One race will constitute the Regatta. RRSA4, the low point system, will be used for scoring.

7.2 WFPHRF scoring is based on time on time. Corrected times will be calculated based on the boat's rating, the distance of the course sailed, and the elapsed time in which the course was sailed.

8 Radio and Cell Phone Telecommunication

8.1 Except for emergency purposes and calls to the RC per this SI, while racing, a boat shall neither make radio transmissions nor receive radio communications related to all aspects of the racing that are not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to use of cell phones for information regarding the race that might be of use to competitors.

8.2 Boats shall be equipped with a working Marine VHF radio on board. The RC will attempt to communicate, depending upon radio traffic, on VHF channels in the following order: 72, 68 and 69. Information received from the RC on any channel shall be considered as being information available to all competitors.

8.3 Failure to hear hails by the RC, and the timing and order of such hails will **NOT** be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

Liability Disclaimer: Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event are participating entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The race organizers (the organizing Authority, race committee, protest committee, host club, 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, or in the case of minors, each competitor's parent or guardian 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.

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