

MANDEVILLE RACE
May 15 & 16, 2021
Southern Yacht Club
Lake Pontchartrain

NOTICE OF RACE and SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Including NOR Addendum No. 1

The Organizing Authority (OA) is Southern Yacht Club (SYC). The host clubs are SYC and Pontchartrain Yacht Club (PontYC). Regatta Management Solutions (RMS) is the host for online registration. The OA reserves the right to accept or reject the entry of any yacht and will have the authority to interpret the conditions governing the event and shall assign yachts to classes.

1 RULES

1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).

1.2 This is a Pursuit Start race; RRS 26 is replaced by SYC Appendix P as noted herein. RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a) are also altered herein.

1.3 MOTORING is allowed as prescribed by SYC Appendix P, rule P5.2.

1.4 Yachts shall set only one (1) headsail at a time and only one (1) staysail per mast, which shall not extend beyond the rated LP distance.

1.5 NON-SPINNAKER classes shall set only headsails and staysails ahead of each mast and only in their designed and rated configurations. Whisker poles are permitted.

1.6 As provided by RRS 47, there will be no penalty for discarding biodegradable, environment-friendly bands when setting a sail.

2 YACHT ELIGIBILITY AND SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

2.1 The regatta is open to monohull yachts with a valid ORR-Ez rating certificate.

2.2 The OA strongly recommends compliance with the requirements of the *US Safety Equipment Requirements* (USSER) for a Coastal race.

2.3 [NP] Prior to the start, each yacht shall hold a man overboard (MOB) briefing or drill with the crew.

2.4 [NP] At each yacht's start, every soul aboard shall be visible on deck wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and a handheld VHF radio shall be displayed.

3 CREW ELIGIBILITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 The term "Skipper" as used herein means the person, whether or not the owner of the yacht, who is so designated on the entry form and who is the Person in Charge of the yacht during the race. The Skipper is responsible for the yacht, its handling and safety, the conduct of the crew before, during and after the race, and compliance with the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions.

3.2 The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Owner, who shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully sound, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced crew who are physically fit and sufficient in number to sail the boat in adverse conditions. The owner must ensure that all safety equipment is properly maintained and stowed and that the crew knows where it is kept and how it is used.

4 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices will be posted online and on the official notice boards at SYC and PontYC, as applicable. Electronic notifications (email and/or text msg.) may be sent to competitors registered to receive them.

5 DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

The fleet will have the following divisions, broken into classes as entries warrant:

- SPINNAKER – Monohull yachts.
- NON-SPIN – Monohull non-spinnaker yachts.

6 ENTRIES AND FEES

Eligible yachts may be entered by completing the online entry form. There is no entry fee.

7 SKIPPERS MEETING

There will be no skippers meeting.

The SCRATCH SHEET with starting times will be posted online by 2000 on the day before the start.

8 SCHEDULE

Friday, May 14, 2021	
2000	Entry deadline
Saturday, May 15, 2021	
1000	Pursuit starting sequence begins
ASAP	Daily trophies at PontYC
Sunday, May 16, 2021	
1000	Pursuit starting sequence begins
ASAP	Awards Ceremony at SYC

9 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the SYC A-frame (Sat) and the PontYC mast (Sun).

10 TIMING AND RADIO COMMS

The RC will use local GPS time and **VHF 72**. The RC may hail its intentions or additional instructions.

11 THE COURSE

11.1 The race will consist of two stages, each with its own start and finish.

11.2 The distance for each stage will be **20.42 nm** and is not subject to protest. This alters RRS 62.1(a).

11.3 The required MARKS OF THE COURSE, in order of rounding or passing, are listed in the table below.

12 THE START

12.1 SYC APPENDIX P – PURSUIT STARTING SYSTEM shall apply. RRS 26 is deleted.

12.2 The STARTING LINE will be between a staff bearing an orange flag on the Race Committee boat on the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.

12.3 STARTING TIMES will be calculated using ORR-Ez time-on-distance (TOD) ratings and shown on the Scratch Sheet.

12.4 [NP] PFDs shall be worn at the start. See 2.4.

13 NOTIFICATION OF RETIREMENT

[NP] Yachts retiring while racing must report their actions as soon as possible to the Race Committee via VHF or phone (see Contacts below). Failure to report promptly will be grounds for penalty, including exclusion from future events.

14 THE FINISH

14.1 The FINISH LINE will be between a staff bearing either a blue or orange flag on the Race Committee boat and the course side of the nearby finishing mark.

14.2 [NP] FINISH BOAT ABSENT – If required, yachts shall report their finishing time and position in relation to nearby boats, as soon as possible, to the Race Committee. Failure to report promptly will be grounds for penalty, including exclusion from future events.

MARKS OF THE COURSE			
Mark	Leave To:	Description	NOAA Chart
Stage 1 – Saturday			
SYC “A” – Start	PORT	Yellow buoy – C “A”	11369
SYC “J”	PORT	Yellow buoy – C “J”	
Pipeline marker “M1” – Finish	PORT	Fixed mark – Fl Y 2.5s 15ft “M1”	
Stage 2 – Sunday			
Pipeline marker “M1” – Start	PORT	Fixed mark – Fl Y 2.5s 15ft “M1”	11369
SYC “J”	STBD	Yellow buoy – C “J”	
SYC “A” – Finish	PORT	Yellow buoy – C “A”	

15 TIME LIMIT

There is no time limit. The RC finish boat will remain on-station no later than 1800 each day. See also 14.2.

16 PENALTIES AND PROTESTS

16.1 US SAILING Prescriptions Addendum V Alternative Penalties shall apply.

16.2 The Protest Time Limit is one (1) hour after the last yacht finishes.

16.3 Breaches of rules denoted by [NP] shall not be grounds for a protest by a yacht and penalties for these may be less than DSQ. This alters RRS 60.1.

17 DOCKAGE

Yachts may moor or raft along the Mandeville Harbor bulkhead on Bayou Castine overnight without charge. Each yacht must have a MOORING STICKER which will be distributed in the PontYC bar.

18 SCORING

18.1 Yachts shall be scored in accordance with SYC Appendix P using time-on-time (TOT) handicap correction.

18.2 A yacht's regatta score will be the total of her scores for both stages. Ties will be broken in accordance with RRS A8.

19 PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- First place in class for each stage.
- First to third place in class, overall.
- First place in fleet, overall.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the event entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 Decision to Race. The Management of the event will not accept liability for any losses resulting from competitors' participation in this event and associated activities prior to, during and after the regatta.

21 INSURANCE

Each participating yacht shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance sufficient to cover liability for loss, damage, personal injury or death.

22 MISCONDUCT

In the event of gross misconduct by a Skipper, owner, crew or their guests, before, during or after the regatta, a yacht may be subject to disqualification and other disciplinary action.

23 CONTACTS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

For more information, see the SYC web site (www.southernyachtclub.org) or contact:

- Southern Yacht Club: (504) 288-4200 or info@southernyachtclub.org
- Pontchartrain Yacht Club: (985) 626-3192
- RC Twitter feed: [@SouthernYCRC](https://twitter.com/SouthernYCRC)

Regatta Management Solutions event page:

https://www.regattaman.com/results.php?race_id=896&yr=2021

Scan the QR code to view the RMS event page.



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APPENDIX P—PURSUIT STARTING SYSTEM

The purpose of the Pursuit Starting System is to apply a staggered starting time arrangement whereby yachts start in the inverse order of their predicted elapsed time on the course. Thus, the fleet should finish within a relatively narrow time span.

P0 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS [NP]

P0.1 Prior to the start, each yacht shall hold a man overboard (MOB) briefing or drill with the crew.

P0.2 At each yacht's start, every soul aboard shall be visible on deck wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and one handheld VHF radio shall be visible in the cockpit.

P1 PURSUIT STARTING SYSTEM

P1.1 When the Pursuit Starting System is specified by the NOR & SI, RRS 26 is deleted. RRS 62.1(a) and Race Signals Flags I & P are also altered herein.

P1.2 Each yacht shall have a prescribed Starting Time corresponding to her handicap rating and calculated for the course distance, as shown in the starting sequence distributed by the Race Committee. Starting Times may be altered by postponement.

P1.3 The WARNING SIGNAL will be displayed with one sound signal not less than five (5) minutes prior to the first start of the starting sequence or following a postponement. The signal will remain displayed throughout the starting sequence, as follows:

- **Flag I** – The starting sequence is active; each yacht shall start at her prescribed time.
- **Flags I over P** – The starting sequence is active following a postponement. Each yacht must check the postponement time displayed by RC signal boat and adjust her Starting Time accordingly.

This changes Race Signals Flags I & P.

P1.4 Each yacht's STARTING SIGNAL shall be her Starting Time and her PREPARATORY SIGNAL shall be four (4) minutes prior to her Starting Time. No visual signals will be made.

P1.5 The RC will attempt to make a sound signal at the Starting Time of each yacht entered in the regatta. Failure to make an accurate sound signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

P2 INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

P2.1 The **I Flag Rule**, RRS 30.1 (around the ends), will be in effect for all starts.

P2.2 The RC will attempt to hail the sail numbers of OCS yachts. The order, timing and success of these hails shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

P3 POSTPONEMENT

P3.1 At its discretion, the RC may signal a postponement in accordance with RRS 27.3 before or during the starting sequence. Postponements will apply only to yachts that have not yet started.

P3.2 Postponements will be made in five (5) minute increments. Prior to resuming the starting sequence, the aggregate duration of all postponements will be displayed by the RC signal boat in hours and minutes (H.MM).

P3.3 If there is a sufficient gap in the starting sequence, the RC may reduce or omit previous postponements for subsequent starts by removing flag P, with multiple sound signals, and making a new Warning Signal. Yachts must remain vigilant for changes to the postponement status.

P4 SCORING

P4.1 A yacht's elapsed time shall be the interval between her prescribed Starting Time and her recorded finish time.

P4.2 Unless prescribed otherwise, the staggered Starting Times shall serve as the only handicap correction and yachts shall be scored in their order of finish, after any adjustments.

P5 MOTORING TO THE START

P5.1 Unless prescribed otherwise, yachts may use auxiliary propulsion without penalty as specified in this section. A yacht motoring shall keep clear of a yacht sailing.

P5.2 Prior to *starting* and not within two (2) boat lengths of the starting line, a yacht may continue to motor after her preparatory signal and Starting Time have passed.

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NOTICE OF RACE – ADDENDUM No. 1

Issued: May 4, 2021

For the purposes of the SYC Handicap Spring Series, the Open and Classic fleet scores will be extracted, scored as separate classes and transferred to that series.

REPLACE NOR 5 with the following:

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