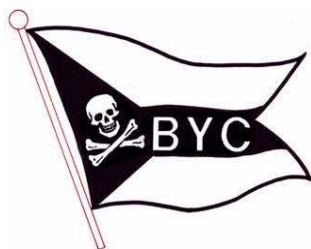


64th Dauphin Island Race

April 27th, 2024

Buccaneer Yacht Club
Mobile, Alabama



Sailing Instructions

1. RULES

- 1.1. This regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The US Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024.
- 1.2. Division 1 MONOHULL will be rated by the Existing Portsmouth Yardstick.
- 1.3. Division 2 MONOHULL yachts registered ORR-EZ or GYA PHRF shall be rated and governed by the current ORR-Ez Rules or GYA PHRF By-Laws and have current certificate available.
- 1.4. Division 2 MULTIHULL yachts shall be governed by the RRS and GYA Multihull Council Safety Recommendations (GYA-MC), for Category 3 events, except that all instances of “should” are replaced with “shall”, and as modified herein.
- 1.5. Yachts shall set only one (1) headsail at a time and one (1) staysail per mast, which shall not extend beyond the rated LP distance.
- 1.6. Yachts registered with Non-Spinnaker ratings shall set only headsails and staysails ahead of each mast and only in their designed and rated configurations. Headsails shall not be set flying. Whisker poles are permitted.
- 1.7. As provided by RRS 47, there will be no penalty for discarding biodegradable, environment-friendly bands when setting a sail.

2. SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1. The OA strongly recommends compliance with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (US SER) for a Coastal race.
- 2.2. Yachts will be subject to inspection at any time for compliance with US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements and rating certificates. Yachts found not in compliance will be subject to protest by the Race Committee which may result in disqualification or other penalties. These inspections are made for rules compliance purposes only; the RC will not assess nor warrant the safety or seaworthiness of yachts or crews.
- 2.3. Prior to the start, each yacht shall hold a man overboard (MOB) briefing or drill involving her full crew.
- 2.4. VHF radios are required to be on and functioning throughout the race.

3. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1. All notices will be sent to all competitors via text message or email. See SI 25. Electronic notifications (email and/or text) may be sent to competitors.
- 3.2. Prior to start and during the race special notices (if required for weather or safety) will also be broadcast via VHF on channel 68.

4.CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 4.1. Changes to these Sailing Instructions shall be posted no later than 0800 and will be signaled ashore on the morning of the race.

5.SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 5.1. Signals made ashore will be flown from the BYC mast.

6.SCHEDULE

- 6.1. Registration closes Wednesday, April 24, 2024.

6.2. Schedule of Events:

Friday, April 26th.

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| 1600-1930: | Packet pickup in person at Buccaneer Yacht Club |
| 1800-Until: | Live music, dinner and drinks |
| 2000hrs: | Skippers Meeting |

Saturday, April 27th

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| 0855: | Warning Signal for start of Division 1 |
| 0910: | Warning Signal for start of Division 2 |
| 1700-until: | Michelob Ultra After Race Party: Live music, Food and Drinks @ Buccaneer Yacht Club |

Sunday, April 28th

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| 0900-1130: | Brunch in the clubhouse with live music. |
| 1100: | Trophy Presentation. |

- 6.3. Friday, April 26th, 2024 1930 Deadline for SI changes to be posted
- 6.4. Saturday, April 20th, 2022 0800 Deadline to submit Crew List Form

7.TIMING AND COMMUNICATIONS

- 7.1. The RC will use GPS local time and VHF 68. The RC may hail its intentions or additional instructions.

8.CREW LIST

- 8.1. No later than 0800 on the morning of the start, each yacht must file with the RC a complete and accurate Crew List via email to race committee persons listed in SI 23 or by hand. The RC will not accept Crew List Forms on the water.

9.CLASS ASSIGNMENTS

- 9.1. The class assignments and ratings will be as shown on the Scratch Sheet and posted on the official notice board prior to the skippers meeting.
- 9.2. The starting sequence and warning signal times will be as follows:
 - 9.2.1. 0855: Warning Signal for start of Division 1
 - 9.2.2. 0910: Warning Signal for start of Division 2

10.PRESTART CHECK-IN

- 10.1. Prior to her warning signal, each yacht shall pass within hail of the RC Check-in boat, hail her sail number and be acknowledged. Failure to check-in properly may result in a score of DNC.
- 10.2. During the Prestart Check-In, every soul aboard shall be visible on deck wearing a Personal Flotation Device (PFD) and a handheld VHF shown or fixed VHF utilized in check-in on Channel 72.

11. THE COURSE

- 11.1. The STARTING AREA will be located approx. 1/4 nm south of Dog River Channel #5, this mark is for reference only and is not part of the race course. (30°32'41"N 88°03'33"W)
- 11.2. From the start proceed south and round Theodore Channel #10 to port
- 11.3. From Theodore Channel Marker #10 proceed and round Mobile Middle Bay Light to Starboard.
- 11.3.1. All competitors are required to avoid sailing IN the Mobile Ship Channel. Crossing is allowed.
- 11.4. Continue to the finish line ~1 nm north of the Intracoastal Waterway ~2.25 nm east of Dauphin Island Bridge. (30°17'58"N X 88°05'30"W)

12. THE START

- 12.1. The STARTING LINE will be between the staff bearing an orange flag on the RC signal boat, on the west end, and a staff bearing an orange flag on the east end RC Boat. Approximate location of the start will be ¼ nm south of Dog River Channel Marker #5.
- 12.2. The Warning signal for each start will be no earlier than as noted in SI 9.2.1.
- 12.2.1. Division 1 Warning Signal flag will be a large Green flag.
- 12.2.2. Division 2 Warning Signal flag will be a large Red flag
- 12.2.3. Preparatory flag for each division will be the "I" Flag

13. INDIVIDUAL RECALLS

- 13.1. The RC will attempt to hail the sail numbers of any yachts by sail number, DIR hull number or name (if visible) or any combination of the three. The order, timing and success of these hails shall not be grounds for redress. This alters RRS 62.1(a).

14. NOTIFICATION OF WITHDRAWAL

- 14.1. Yachts withdrawing while racing must report their actions as soon as possible to the Race Committee via VHF or phone (see RC contacts below). Failure to report promptly will be grounds for penalty by the OA, including exclusion from future events.

15. THE FINISH

- 15.1. The FINISH LINE will be set in the location described in SI 11.4.
- 15.2. FINISH BOAT will be the middle of the line. Division 1 will finish between the Orange Flag on the committee boat and Orange Tetrahedron. Division 2 will finish between the Yellow Flag on the committee boat and the Yellow Tetrahedron.

16. TIME LIMIT

- 16.1. No vessel shall be finished after 1730hrs local time.

17. PENALTIES & PROTESTS

- 17.1. RRS 44.1 (Two-Turns Penalty) shall apply.
- 17.2. US Sailing Appendix V2 shall apply.
- 17.3. No protests will be accepted after 2200 on Saturday, April 27th, 2024.

18. PRIZES

- 18.1. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.
- 18.2. Perpetual trophies will be awarded per the list contained in the Dauphin Island Race Booklet.
- 18.2.1. Perpetual trophies will be awarded with a keeper trophy also.

19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 19.1. Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 3 Decision to Race. The Management of the event will not accept any liability for material damage or personal exposure, illness, injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.

20. INSURANCE

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

21.MISCONDUCT

- 21.1.** In the event of a serious breach of conduct by a Skipper, owner, crew or their guests, before, during or after the race, a yacht may be subject to disqualification from the race.

22.CONTACTS AND MORE INFORMATION

- 22.1. Race Chairman: Johnrobert Deputy: marshalldeputy@gmail.com OR (251)510-4857
22.2. Tonia Camardella: tonia.c.beverly@gmail.com or (256)531-3083
22.3. Buccaneer Yacht Club: <https://bucyc.com/> or (251)479-8190 (Thursday evening, Saturday and Sunday only.)