

SAISA
SINGLEHANDED CHAMPIONSHIP
Florida Yacht Club,
April 17 – 18, 2021
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1) Rules

- a) The regatta shall be governed by the rules as defined by the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS), the ISSA Procedural Rules (ISSA PR), the SAISA Supplemental Rules, the Notice of Race, and these Sailing Instructions.
- b) Only US Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 40, 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), 76.1, and 82 shall apply.
- c) RRS 63.7 shall be replaced by – “If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race (NOR) and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the Sailing Instructions shall apply.” This changes RRS 63.7.
- d) No change of course signals will be required. This changes RRS 33.
- e) RRS Appendix U as modified by these Sailing Instructions shall apply.
- f) After a General Recall, the “Round-the-Ends-Rule” provision of RRS 30.1 shall apply for the subsequent re-start. This changes RRS 30.1.
- g) If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2) NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

- a) Official notices shall be posted on the official notice board located at the FYC Sailing Center and on Tech Score.

3) CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- a) Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted at least 30 minutes before the first warning on the day the change will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 1800 hours the day before it will take effect.

4) SIGNALS MADE ASHORE:

- a) Signals made ashore will be displayed from flagpole near the back marina near the boat ramp.
- b) When flag AP is displayed ashore, ‘1 minute’ is replaced with ‘not less than 30 minutes’ in the race signal AP. This changes RRS race signals.

5) SCHEDULE OF RACES

- a) Racing is scheduled Saturday, April 17th through Sunday, April 18th, 2021.
- b) Fifteen (15) races are scheduled with no more than ten (10) races on Saturday, April 17th.
- c) The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Saturday April 17th is 1030 hours.
- d) The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race on Sunday April 18th is 0930 hours.
- e) No initial warnings on Sunday, April 18th, after 1500 hours.

6) RACE AREA

- a) All races will be sailed in the vicinity of the Florida Yacht Club shoreline.

7) COURSES

- a) Based on conditions, the Race Committee will determine the courses as prescribed in ISSA PR 7.7
- b) The Race Committee may designate course selection orally. As a courtesy the course and order of starts may be displayed on a whiteboard from the Race Committee signal boat.
- c) The course to be sailed will be windward-leeward. The diagrams in Attachment I shows the courses, including the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

8) MARKS

- a) Mark of the course will be orange marks.
- b) Marks for the start and/or finish shall be orange and/or a staff displaying an orange flag on a Race Committee boat(s).

9) START:

- a) The starts will be in accordance to ISSA PR 7.8(a) which provides that Appendix U (Audible Signal Racing System) shall be used.
- b) The order of starts will be provided at the skippers meeting.
- c) Individual recalls shall be signaled as per Appendix U4. Flag "X" need not be displayed.
- d) General Recalls will be signaled by a series of short sounds. For the restart of the recalled race RRS 30.1 will be in effect except Flag "I" need not be displayed. This changes RRS 29.2 and 30.1.
- e) The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee signal boat at the starboard end and a nearby mark at the port end.
- f) A boat starting later than 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- g) Boats subject to individual recall (RRS 29.1) shall be signaled by hailing the sail number/bow number (or other distinguished feature) of the recalled boat. This Changes RRS 29.1.
- h) Failure to hear an adequate hail or sound signal shall not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1.

10) CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE:

- a) In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7, the Race Committee may change to position of any mark to maintain course configuration, provided that no boat is on that leg of the course. No course change signals will be required. This changes RRS 33.
- b) In accordance with ISSA PR 7.7(d) races will not be shortened. This Changes RRS 32.

11) THE FINISH:

- a) The finishing line will be between a staff on a Committee boat displaying an orange flag on the port end and a nearby orange mark at the starboard end for downwind finishes. For upwind finishes the finishing line will be between an orange flag on a committee boat on the starboard end and a nearby mark on the port end all to windward of the windward mark and offset.

12) PENALTY SYSTEM

- a) Appendix P shall apply with the following changes:
 - i) Delete the word “first” in P2.1 ii)
Delete P2.2 and 2.3.
 - iii) P3 is replaced with: “If a boat has been protested under P1 and the Race Committee signals a postponement, general recall or abandonment, the penalty is cancelled.”
 - iv) P4 is replaced with “A boat shall not be given redress for an action by a member of the Protest Committee or its designated observer under Rule P1.
 - v) Delete P5.

13) TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES:

- a) The target time for each race is 20 minutes. Failure to meet the target time shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 60.1(b) and 62.1(a).
- b) The time limit for the first boat to finish is 30 minutes.
- c) Boats failing to finish within 15 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes will be scored ‘Time Limit Expired’ (TLE). Boats scored TLE will receive a score equal to the number of boats that finished plus 4. This changes RRS 35 and A4.1.
- d) If in the opinion of the Race Committee a boat(s) will not meet the time limit the Race Committee may terminate the race prior to the time limit expiring and score the boat(s) in the place they would have finished.

14) PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS:

- a) Protest procedure will be in accordance with ISSA PR Part VI.
- b) A protesting boat shall, at the first reasonable opportunity after finishing, notify both the Race Committee and protested boat(s) of her intent to protest. Failure to do so may be grounds for closing the protest hearing under RRS 63.5.
- c) Competitors shall not communicate with coaches before reporting to the Race Committee their intent to protest.
- d) The jury desk and jury room will be located near the Sailing Center or the blue canopies near the pool.
- e) Protests and requests for redress or reopening forms will be available at the jury desk.
- f) Protests and requests for redress or reopening forms shall be delivered to the jury desk within the appropriate time limit.
- g) The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the race committee signal boat docks. The protest time limit will be posted on the official notice board. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and jury about incidents they observe in the racing area and for requests for redress. This changes RRS 61.3 and 62.2.
- h) 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.

- i) The race committee will post a list of penalties being assigned by the race committee prior to the end of protest time limit. The deadline for requesting redress based on these scores will be either 30 minutes after posting of the penalty notice or the protest time limit, whichever is later. This changes RRS 62.2.
- j) Notices of protests by the RC or jury will be posted to inform boats under RRS 61.1(b).
- k) Breaches of SI 13, 16, 17, and 18 will not be grounds for a protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a). Penalties for these breaches will be as indicated in these Sailing Instructions or if not stated at the discretion of the jury (DPI: Discretionary Penalty Imposed).
- l) On the last day of racing a request for redress based on a jury decision shall be delivered no later than 30 minutes after the decision was posted. This changes RRS 62.2.

15) SCORING:

- a) Scoring will be in accordance with ISSA PR 9.
- b) Boats score shall be the total of her race scores, no races will be excluded (NO DROPS). This changes RRS A2.1
- c) Three (3) completed races are required to constitute a championship.

16) SAFETY REGULATIONS:

- a) Competitors shall wear a USCG approved Type III life jacket at all times while afloat in accordance to ISSA PR 2.2.
- b) Boats that retire from a race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as possible.
- c) Boats not leaving the harbor for any of the day's racing shall so inform the Race Committee.

17) SUPPORT PERSONS:

- a) Support, including coach, press, private and spectator boats shall not go afloat in the sailing area on the published dates of the regatta, unless granted equal access and explicitly permitted by the regatta chairperson. The penalty for failing to comply with this requirement may be the disqualification of all boats, competitors, and teams associated with the infringing party. An exception to this rule is that competitors with their coaches who will be arriving from local venues may bring their boats by water to the Florida Yacht Club waterfront on Friday. No coaches will be allowed to hold practice within one mile of the racing area after 4:00 p.m. on that day.
- b) Any Interaction – both direct and indirect – from any non-sailor afloat and non-RC members to sailors afloat in the racing area shall be considered a violation of sailing instruction 20(b) and the penalties for such violation shall apply. The Regatta Chair, Judges, or PRO shall have the sole discretion to judge violations and apply due penalties without the requirement for a protest or hearing.
- c) Competitors May receive coaching, including instructions, assistance, equipment or sustenance, only while on shore.

18) TRASH DISPOSAL:

- a) Trash may be placed on board support or official boats or be placed in trash cans at the venue.

19) PRIZES:

- a) The top five sailors in each division will receive.
- b) Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.

20) DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY & MEDIA WAIVER:

- a) 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.
- b) The race organizers (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 because of participation in this event. By participating in this event, each competitor 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.

21) RIGHTS TO USE NAME AND LIKENESS

- a) By participating in this event, competitors automatically grant to the Organizing Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio and video recordings, and other reproductions of them made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue, until their final departure, without compensation.

ATTACHMENT I

Course	Marks
W3	Start – W – O – G- Finish (upwind)
W4	Start – W – O – G – W – O – G - Finish (downwind)
W5	Start – W – O – G – W – O - G - Finish (upwind)

