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# 2020 Leukemia Cup Regatta

Organizing Authority (OA): Charleston Ocean Racing Association (CORA)  
September 25 – 26, 2020  
Charleston, SC

## SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(version 09/24/2020)

### 1 RULES

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

### 2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to the competitors will be posted on the CORA website which will also serve as the official notice board.

### 3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions (SI) will be announced over the official VHF channel before the warning signal for the first boat.
- 3.2 Oral changes to the SIs may be given on the water by hail from the Race Committee (RC) by displaying code flag L in accordance with RRS 90.2 (c). Changes communicated must be made before the first starting time.

### 4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

No signals will be made ashore. All announcements will be made over the official VHF channel.

## 5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

Events and Races are scheduled as follows:

Friday	September 25	1830	Virtual Skippers Meeting
Saturday	September 21 <sup>st</sup>	1025	Scheduled start time for the first boat
		1830	Virtual Leukemia Cup Party and Racing Awards

6 **CLASS FLAGS** - Class flags will not be displayed as the start is pursuit style .

7 **RACING AREAS** - The racing area will be inside Charleston Harbor.

## 8 THE COURSE

8.1 Start (CYC-SC dock), *BPp*, *R2p*, *G27p*, *R34s*, *G37p*, **Finish (CYC-SC dock)**

8.2 Boats shall monitor and keep clear of all commercial traffic. Boats that hinder commercial traffic to the point of five horns are subject to protest by the RC.

## 9 MARKS

Start/Finish mark – CYC dock/orange mark

*BP* – FL (2+1) R 6S 5M

*G27* – G FL G 2.5S 5M

*G37* – G FL G 4S

*R2* – R FL R 2.5S 5M

*R34* – R Q R 4M

## 10 AREAS THAT ARE OBSTRUCTIONS

The following areas are designated as **obstructions**: Middle Ground & Castle Pinckney.

## 11 THE START

11.1 **The start will be pursuit style** where each vessel will be given a specific GPS start time which will be available at the Competitors Meeting and posted on the official notice board.

11.2 The starting area will be off of the CYC-SC dock. The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the CYC-SC dock and a nearby starting mark.

11.3 Boats who are not within five minutes of their starting time shall avoid the starting area which is defined as 100 yards in all directions from the starting line.

11.4 A boat that doesn't meet the definition of *start* within 4 minutes of her assigned starting time will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This is added to RRS A4.

## 12 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

There will be no course changes unless RC decides to shorten or abandon a race per RRS 32.

### **13 THE FINISH**

The finishing line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the CYC-SC dock and a nearby finishing mark.

### **14 PENALTY SYSTEM**

- 14.1 RRS Appendix V shall apply, which is posted on YachtScoring.
- 14.2 RRS Appendix T1(b) shall apply for post-race penalties.
- 14.3 A boat that has taken a penalty turn(s) in accordance with SI 14.1 shall notify the RC.

### **15 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES**

The time limit shall be 4 hours. Additionally, boats failing to finish within 50 minutes after the first boat sails the course and finishes may be scored TLE or finished in place. This change is an addition to RRS A11.

### **16 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS**

A boat intending to protest shall comply with RRS 61 and additionally report to the RC signal boat as soon as possible after finishing, giving the RC its sail number and the sail number(s) of the protested boat(s). This changes RRS 61.

### **17 SCORING**

- 17.1 Scores will be recorded as boats finish.
- 17.2 One race will constitute a regatta and the Low Point System of RRS Appendix A will apply, except no race score will be excluded.
- 17.3 If the course is shortened, RC will record finish times and scores will be calculated using PHRF time-on-distance.

### **18 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

- 18.1 Each competitor is solely responsible for his own safety and, by participation, agrees to sail at his or her own risk. CORA, Leukemia Cup Regatta, RC, ChYC, CYC-SC nor other persons assisting with the conduct of races shall be responsible for damage or injury suffered during races or related activities up to and including death.
- 18.2 A boat that retires from the race or leaves the course area shall notify the RC as soon as reasonably possible.
- 18.3 There may be a courtesy announcement on the designated VHF channel in the morning and at the end of the day's racing to communicate expected commercial traffic needs to the fleet. Boats are reminded that Charleston Harbor and its approaches have a high level of commercial traffic.

## **19 RADIO COMMUNICATION**

- 19.1 A boat intending to race shall check in with the RC using the boat name, sail number and class using VHF 74 or by verbal hail and continue to do so until acknowledged by RC.
- 19.2 Once acknowledged, boats shall switch and monitor VHF 73 for all further race communications. Boats failing to check in may be scored DNS.
- 19.3 RC may report visual signals displayed on VHF 73. Information reported is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not in any way alter any competitor's responsibility to observe the RC visual signals, which govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions will not be grounds for redress.

## **20 PRIZES**

One overall trophy will be awarded to the first boat to finish and one trophy will be awarded to the first finisher for each class.

## **21 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY**

- 21.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS4, Decision to race). The OA or RC will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury, or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during, or after the regatta.
- 21.2 CORA, the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, RC, ChYC, CYC-SC their employees and volunteers do not accept responsibility for the loss of life or injury to participants or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel in any way or from any cause during or relating to the event.

## **22 INSURANCE**

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per event or the equivalent.



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# SAFETY INFORMATION

### IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY ON THE WATER:

Please contact a Safety Boat on VHF **Channel 74**; you will then be instructed to switch to **Channel 71** for further transmissions.

Emergencies requiring medical assistance: Once on site, the Safety Boat will gather pertinent information and if necessary, **call 911** and proceed to Carolina Yacht Club with the injured person to meet with EMS personnel. If an emergency warrants additional support, the USCG may be contacted on VHF Channel 16 for further instructions.