RACES



SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



These are the Master Sailing Instructions (Master SIs) for races run by the Southern Ocean Racing Conference in the 2020-2021 season, including the Nassau Cup Race,



Lauderdale to Key West Race, and Eleuthera Race. Each race also has Supplemental Sailing Instructions (Supplemental SIs) that, together with these Master SIs, comprise that event's Sailing Instructions required by RRS 90.2(a).



RULES 1

- Each Race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing. 1.1
- 1.2 From sunset to sunrise, Part 2 of the Rules shall not apply and shall be replaced by Part B, The Steering and Sailing Rules, of the International Regulations for Preventing collisions at Sea (COLREGS).
- 1.3 The U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Regulations will apply as modified by each race's NOR and



1.5 Anchors shall not be stowed on or protruding from the bow area of the boat except only anchors that may be stowed in a bow locker or on deck in chocks, provided that no portion of the anchor or anchor rode extends beyond the edge of the deck.



1.6 Except for the rules of RRS Parts 2 and 3, the jury may impose an alternate penalty less than DSQ for breaking a rule, in accordance with RRS 64.2.



2 **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS**



The Official Notice Board and locations of signals ashore will be indicated in each race's Supplemental SIs.

Useful Web sites

SORC Web Site U.S. Sailing ORC Ratings PHRF of SE Florida MOCRA MOCRA Ratings

www.sorcsailing.org www.ussailing.org www.orc.org www.phrfsef.com www.mocra-sailing.org.uk sites.google.com/site/mocrarating

3 **RADIO MONITOR**

3.1 The Race Committee will monitor the designated VHF race channel from one hour prior to the first start until one hour after the last start. All competitors should then monitor VHF Channel 16 for the duration of the race.

PARTNERS

3.2 The Race Committee will monitor the designated VHF channel while boats are finishing.



4 **START**

- 4.1 The starting area, start line, and start times will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.
- 4.2 Starting signals shall be made in accordance with rule 26, with classes starting at five (5) minute intervals. The Starting signal for each class shall be the Warning signal for the next class.

5 RECALLS

- 5.1 If a boat is identified on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal, the race committee will attempt to broadcast the sail number on the starting VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 5.2 In the event of a General Recall, the start of the last scheduled class shall be the warning signal for the new start of the recalled class. If more than one General Recall is signalled, each recalled class will restart after the class recalled before it. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 5.3 A boat failing to comply with RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) need not return to the pre-start side of the line but shall have a penalty of 30 minutes added to her elapsed time.

6 COURSE

Each course is described in the Supplemental SIs for each race.

7 FINISH

7.1 The finish line and finishing procedures will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

8 TIME LIMIT AND RETIREMENT

- 8.1 The time limit for each race will be described in its Supplemental SIs.
- 8.2 A boat retiring from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as reasonably possible. Official race results will not be posted until all boats have been accounted for.

9 SCORING

Appendix A, using the "Low Point" scoring system of the rules shall be in effect. The course distance of the Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race is established at 160 nautical miles for scoring purposes. Scoring procedures for each class are described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

10 TRACKING

Tracking will be used for public viewing and media purposes. Information from the tracking system shall not be used as a basis for a protest or request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.2.

11 PROTESTS

Protest procedures and time limits will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

12 AWARDS

Awards parties and locations will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

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ELEUTHERA RACE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SUPPLEMENTAL)

This document, combined with the SORC Master Sailing Instructions, comprises the Sailing Instructions for the Eleuthera Race. Numbered sections in this document are supplements to, not replacements for, equivalently numbered sections in the Master SIs unless otherwise indicated.





ELEUTHERA . THE BAHAMAS

The race is scheduled to start at 1000 hrs, February 17, 2021, approximately 1.0 nm northeast of the Miami Harbor Entrance (Government Cut), and finish just outside of the entrance to the Cape Eleuthera Resort and Marina.

1 RULES

- 1.7 The personal AIS Beacon requirement in section 3.1 of the 2020 Multihull SER is waived for this race, though competitors are encouraged to avail themselves of this invaluable device.
- 1.8 2020 Monohull SER paragraph 2.2, requiring stability index greater than or equal to 103, applies to this race.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 2.1 The Official Notice Board will be on the event's Yachtscoring.com web page accessible from www.eleutherarace.org. No signals will be made ashore.
- 2.2 In Eleuthera, the SORC Duty Station will be located at the outdoor bar pavilion, from 1000 to 1400 hrs on Friday, February 19 and Saturday February 20. If finishers are approaching the finish line, the Race Committee may be outside the Duty Station, at a spot on shore bearing 090° from the finish mark.
- 2.4 Any changes to the Sailing Instructions will be made before 1700 on February 16.
- 2.5 The Skippers Meeting will be held via Zoom at 1800 hrs on February 16. The link to the meeting will be available on www.eleutherarace.org. This changes NOR 13.1.

3 RADIO MONITOR

3.1 The designated race channel for the start and finish is VHF 71.

4 START

- 4.1 The Starting Line will be established approximately 1.2 miles northeast of the Miami Harbour entrance. The starting line will be between an inflatable race mark, and a staff on the Race Committee Signal Boat displaying an orange flag.
- 4.3 The first Warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1000 hours on February 17.
- 4.4 Class Signals and start times will be announced in an addendum to the Sailing Instructions prior to the Skippers Meeting.

6 COURSE

- 6.1 The course to be sailed shall be from the Start Line northeast of Miami Harbour entrance, to the Finish Line west of the Cape Eleuthera Resort and Marina, Powell Point, Eleuthera; leaving the following points to starboard:
 - Great Isaac (including Northeast Rock and East Brother)
 - Great Stirrup
 - Eleuthera Island, including:
 - Harbour Island,
 - the shoal off of East End Point at N24°35.72' & between the longitudes of W76°07.20' and W76°07.90', and
 - Chub Rock.

7 FINISH

- 7.1 The finish line shall be a line extending to the west (270°) from the red flashing mark of the Cape Eleuthera Resort and Marina Channel, for 1/4 mile.
- 7.3 Immediately after finishing, boats shall announce their sail number and recorded finish time (GPS Eastern Standard time) to the Race Committee on VHF channel 71.
- 7.4 Each boat shall take a photo of its exact GPS position at the time of finish and send this with the boat's name via text message to the Race Committee at 954-695-7168 or email to chair@eleutherarace.org as soon as reasonably possible after finishing. If known, the names of the boats finishing immediately before or after the finisher should be included.

8 TIME LIMIT AND RETIRING

- 8.1 The time limit for the race is 80 hours.
- A boat retiring shall call or text the Race Committee on (954) 695-7168 or send an email to chair@eleutherarace.org as soon as reasonably possible after retiring.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 ORC scoring will use Time-on-Time simple scoring ratings.
- 9.2 For PHRF and MOCRA divisions, a boat's calculated Time on Time rating allowance will be applied as a factor of the boats elapsed time for the race.

10 TRACKING

10.2 The prohibition on the use of tracking as the basis for a protest in NOR 11.3 and SI 10 does not apply to AIS data.

11 PROTESTS

- 11.1 Protests in Cape Eleuthera shall be submitted to the race committee at the Duty Station (see SI 2.2).
- 11.2 The protest time limit is two hours after her finishing or retiring time for a boat finishing or retiring between 0900 and 1600 hrs, or for a boat finishing or retiring after 1600 hrs, 1100 hrs the following day.
- 11.3 Protest hearings will be scheduled upon receipt of protests and will be held no later than 1200 hrs on Saturday, February 20, unless the protest committee posts a change to the hearing schedule by that time.

12 AWARDS

- 12.1 The Awards Presentation and After-Race Party will be held on Saturday, February 20th from 1700 to 2000 hrs on the beach at Cape Eleuthera Resort. Dinner will be provided, as will free beer while supplies last. A cash bar will be available.
- 12.2 Costs for the Awards and Dinner Beach party will be \$45.00 per person, billed by the resort. A head count from each boat must be provided to the Race Committee at the Duty Station during office hours.

For More Information:

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