



CMCS Sailing Instructions

2020 Festival of the Islands

November 14, 2020 at 10:00 am

1. Rules

- 1.1** The Regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Applicable class rules are those of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Federation (WFPHRF).
- 1.2** Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or these Sailing Instructions will be posted on yachtscoring.com website, <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13234>, no later than 24 hours before the race.
- 1.3** There may be emails sent out prior to the race start to notify skippers of changes and validate the scratch sheet including division entered, contact info, and WFPHRF.

2. Classes and Ratings

- 2.1** This race will have three classes as governed by the WFPHRF - Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and True Cruising. A minimum of three boats is needed to constitute a class for purposes of the BOTY scoring.
- 2.2** Classes may or may not have different start times depending on the number of boats entered. The Race Committee will announce starting sequence prior to the race start count down when each class starts.
- 2.3** If there are sequenced starts for classes, the start will be a rolling start. This means that the starting signal for one class will be the five-minute warning for the next class.
- 2.4** To remind all, there may be a horn signal one minute prior to the five-minute count down starts (six minutes before first start). All starts will be synchronized to GPS times starting on a minute. The countdown sequence will have a horn at 5:00, then 4:00, then 1:00 then start!
- 2.5 IMPORTANT!** All horns and communication will be broadcast over the radio on channel 72
- 2.6** Ratings for this race will be the WFPHRF rating for Buoy races.

NOTE: If a boat does not have a valid WFPHRF, the rear commodore of racing will assign a rating. This rating will not be subject to address.

3. Entry and Fees

- 3.1** Register for this race on the yachtscoring.com website, <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eid=13234>. The individual race cost is \$85.00 or is included in the BOTY series. **You must register for the regatta to be included in the scratch sheet.** Due to COVID containment issues there will no sponsored after race party.
- 3.2** Any NEW entrant (has not sailed with CMCS before) must complete the official entry form found online at yachtscoring.com. This is to ensure we have the correct information to communicate with you and add your boat to the scratch sheet.
- 3.3 IMPORTANT** - There will be an email distributed one week before the race that will go to all skippers. You must respond to that email with your intent to participate to ensure we can organize the scratch sheet, and the after party. Please respond either way.

4. Starting and Racing Area

- 4.1** Depending on wind direction, the course will be set up just off of Fort Myers Beach probably in the vicinity of SC and 2.
- 4.2** The start line may be between the committee boat and an inflatable buoy set off to the port side. The start line might also be between a government mark and an inflatable buoy set off to the port side.
- 4.3** There will be an inflatable buoy set for the windward mark.

4.4 The race committee may run any of the courses A thru F laid out in the diagram attached. The reaching mark will be a government mark to be announced prior to race start. SEE LAST PAGE OF THESE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

4.5 The race committee may decide to run an alternative course for one or more of the races to make the races exciting based on prevailing weather. Government marks may be used to create an alternative course. (markers SC, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and FMB entry marker 1 may all be used)

4.6 All communication of courses, either by designated letter or an alternative course design, will be announced by radio on channel 72 just prior to the race start.

6. Check In

6.1 All boats are to check-in by passing the stern of the RC Signals Boat on starboard tack, hailing the boat's name, class entered, sail number, and the number of persons on board. Check in will start approximately 30 minutes prior to the first warning signal.

7. Races, Time Limits, Finishing

7.1 The race committee will attempt to get in as many races as possible, probably three to four. The last race should end no later than 2:30.

7.2 Boats who are not in start sequence should stay well clear of the start finish line.

7.3 Over early on side recalls will be called by the committee boat. They will attempt to notify but failing to hear the notification is not grounds for redress.

7.4 The course choices and the distance for each race is entirely at the discretion of the committee. Of special note, the rear commodore of racing may be on his sailboat racing but will be helping to run and coordinate the race.

7.5 The time limit for a race will be 30 minutes after the first boat in its class has finished

7.6 A boat that withdraws should contact the committee boat with its intentions.

8. Radio Communication

8.1 All boats must be equipped with a working VHF radio, either fixed or handheld capable of receiving and sending on VHF channels 16 and 72. The Race committee will monitor and broadcast information on channel 72.

8.2 All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a cell phone.

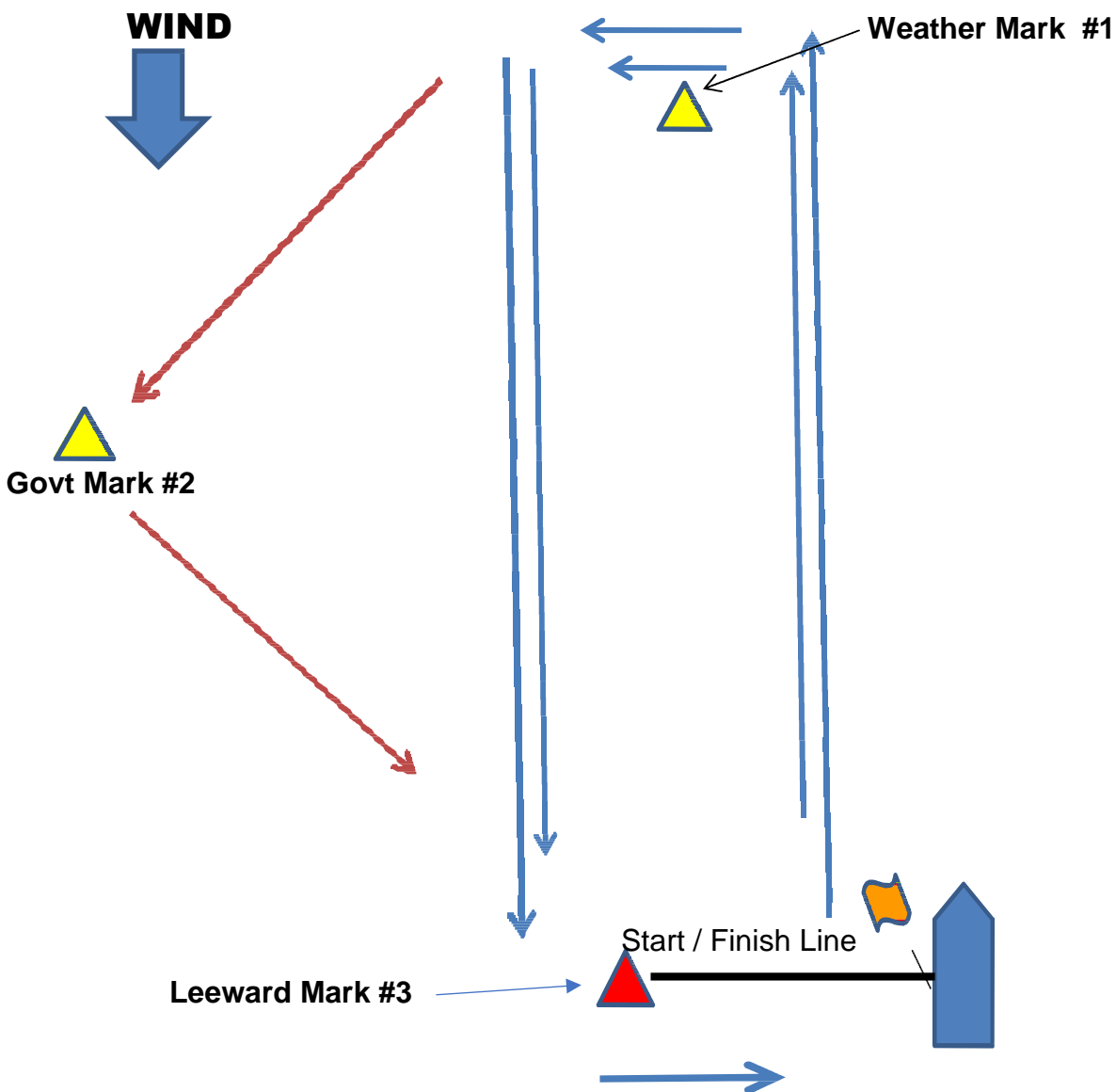
9. Penalties, Protests and Request for Redress

9.1 It is expected that skipper know the rules of racing, but it is also expected that this is fun club racing. Any time a boat has clearly created an infraction it is generally expected that they will take a penalty turn at the earliest safe time and proceed.

9.2 A boat intending to protest or request redress shall notify the RC by hailing or by VHF after the finish, but before leaving the racing area.

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SATURDAY BUOY RACES



COURSE DESCRIPTIONS		COURSE DESCRIPTIONS	
Windward – Leeward Courses		Triangle, Other Courses	
A	Start – 1 – Downwind Finish	D	Start – 1 – 2 – Reach Finish
B	Start – 1 – 3 – 1 – Downwind Finish	E	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – Downwind Finish
C	Start – 1 – 3 – 1 – 3 – 1 – Downwind Finish	F	Start – 1 – 2 – 3 – 1 – 2 – Reach Finish

NW Wind with reaching leg - EXAMPLE

