



The Gulf Region
Pass-A-Grille Run
Clearwater Yacht Club (CYC) & Dunedin Boat Club (DBC)
(Organizing Authority)
West Florida PHRF Boat of the Year
SAILING INSTRUCTIONS
Saturday, March 6, 2021

1. Rules

1.1 The Pass-A-Grille Run Regatta will be governed by the rule as defined in THE RACING RULES OF SAILING.

2. Notice to Competitors

2.1 Notice to Competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located at the website;
<https://www.yachtscoring.com/>

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

3.1 Any changes to the sailing instructions will be posted by 1830 hrs. on Friday March 5th.

3.2 In the event of postponement or cancellation (example: due to extreme weather), notice will be posted both on the Official Notice Board website noted above by 0800 hrs. on Saturday, March 6th and broadcast on vhf channel 72.

4. Signals Made Ashore

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5. Schedule of Races

5.1 Saturday March 6th, First Warning: 0855hrs.

5.2 Sunday March 7th, reserved for adverse weather – first warning 0855 hrs. No warning will be signaled after 1200 hrs.

6. Class Flags

6.1 The Class Flag will be pennant 3.



7. Racing Area

7.1 The racing area will be the Gulf of Mexico from the vicinity of Clearwater Pass to the Pass-a-Grille Channel entrances.

7.2 The course is approximately 19.5 nautical miles.



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8. The Course

8.1 From approximately ½ mile north of Clearwater Pass; leave Clearwater Pass, Green #1 (N 27 58.11 - W 082 50.86) to starboard. Leave John's Pass “JP” (N 27 46.3 - W 082 48.0) to starboard. Leave the Pass-a-Grille “PG” to port. Finish when the Pass-a-Grille, “PG” (N 27 40.35 - W 082 46.1) bears due east of the bow at approximately 100 yards.

9. Marks

9.1 The Starting Mark will be a red/orange ball. All others are government marks as per SI 8.1.

10. The Start

10.1 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.

10.2 For the pursuit start, each boat will be assigned a starting time (based on her PHRF rating) in minutes and seconds after the class flag is lowered for the start of the first boat. After the first boat starts, there is no additional class flag. It is the responsibility of each subsequent boat to time her own start. Should a boat be on the course side of the starting line at her scheduled start time, the race committee will sound one horn, raise then immediately lower race signal flag “X”. The timing of subsequent starts will not be affected. This changes race signal flag “X”.

10.3. Any boat on the course side of the starting line at her scheduled start time will be assessed a penalty which will be the greater of 20 seconds or the difference between the actual start time and the scheduled start time.

11. The Finish

11.1 Each boat shall record her finish time when she complies with SI 8.1 and then contact the race committee on VHF Channel 72, **and** by calling or texting Race Committee at (813) 833-2285 stating her sail number and the GPS time of her finish. If practicable, she should also identify the boat immediately in front of and behind her.

12. Time Limits

12.1 If a boat fails to sail the course and finish by 1800, she shall be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS35, A4 and A5.

13. Protests and Request for Redress

13.1 Forms for protests and requests for redress will be available at SPYC Pass-a-Grille. Boats intending to protest shall notify David Kresge - 813-833-2285 as soon as possible after finishing.

13.2 Protests shall be in writing and delivered to the Race Committee within one hour of the protesting boat’s docking at Pass-a-Grille.

13.3 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. Location of the protest room and time of the protest hearing will be included on the notice.



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14. Scoring

- 14.1 The Low Point Scoring System of Appendix A is amended so that no race is excluded.
- 14.2 One race is required to be completed to constitute a regatta.

15. Safety Regulation

- 15.1 Before the warning signal, boats shall sail by the stern of the race committee signal vessel on starboard tack, or contact the race committee signal vessel on VHF channel 72 and hail her sail number. The Race Committee will acknowledge her sail number.
- 15.2 A boat withdrawing from the race shall notify the Race Committee on VHF 72 and phone or text Race Chairman David Kresge at (813) 833-2285.

16. Radio Communications

- 16.1 Except in an emergency, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

17. Prizes

- 17.1 Subject to SI #13 (Request for Redress) in which case prizes will be postponed, prizes for first, second and third place in each class will be awarded at the docks at Pass-a-Grille as soon as possible after all vessels are docked.

18. Disclaimer of Liability

- 18.1 Competitors participate entirely at their own risk. See rule 3 “decision to race”.
- 18.2 The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage, personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta.
- 18.3 Competitors will be expected to complete the waiver instructions within their Yacht Scoring registration.

19. Insurance

- 19.1 Each participating boat is required to hold adequate insurance including third party insurance, and it is the owner’s sole responsibility to ensure insurance is in place and adequate to participate in these events.
- 19.2 Competitors will be expected to complete the insurance acknowledgement within their Yacht Scoring registration

20. For further information

Please see additional documents posted at the registration site: www.yachtscoring.com or contact Race Chairpersons:

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DBC David Kresge @ 813-833-2285 / dckoffsu@gmail.com