# **Spring Foil Regatta**

# April 24-25, 2021 Course Racing

# Option 1 Skyway Bridge, East side, Pinellas side or Option 2 Pass-A-Grille Beach 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave South

# **Sailing Instructions**

#### VHF Channel #71

#### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024
- 1.2 For the windsurfing events, RRS Appendix B applies
- 1.3. RRS B.A8 and B5.61.1 are deleted.
- 1.4 For the kiteboarding event, RRS Appendix F applies
- 1.5 Only the following US SAILING prescriptions apply RRS61.4, appendix R, and RRS 60.3, 67, or 76.1.
- 1.6 Competitors in Kiteboarding must wear their OA provided jersey.
- 1.7 The use of personal flotation devices is required, every competitor and support boat crew member shall wear, above the waist, a jacket, harness, or impact vest with a minimum buoyancy of 4kg uninflated in freshwater.
- 1.8 If there is a conflict between the Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions the SI's take precedence. This changes RRS 63.7.

#### 2 ENTRY

- 2.1 Competitors shall complete online registration by April 21, 2021. Check-in at Determined Venue Skyway or Pass-A-Grille Beach on April 24 no later than 60 minutes to posted Sailors Meeting time. Registration and check-in after the deadline will be approved at the discretion of the Principal Race Officer.
- 2.2 Online registration can be found at SPYC website under "Regattas"
- 2.3 The entry fee is \$100 (USD)

# 3 COMMUNICATION WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 A Competitors' Meeting will be held Saturday April 24, 2021. The location depends on forecast and the meeting can be run in person or through electronic channels through Yacht Scoring. Notification will be posted by 8 p.m. Friday April 23, 2021 on Yacht Scoring and by email.
- 3.2 Official Notices will be posted on the Official Regatta Notice Board located on Yacht Scoring
- 3.3 Questions regarding the Sailing Instructions may be submitted by email to the OA contact. Answers will be emailed back to you. Questions and written responses will be posted on the Yacht Scoring Official Notice Board.

# 4 CHANGES TO THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Changes to the Sailing Instructions will be posted by 0900 hours on the day they take effect except any changes to the schedule will be posted by 2000 hours on the day before they take effect on Official Yacht Scoring Notice Board.

#### **5 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE**

- 5.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from the beach.
- 5.2 When Flag AP is displayed ashore '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 20 minutes'. Changes Race Signal AP

# **6 SCHEDULE OF RACES**

- 6.1 The intent is to run as many races as possible.
- 6.2 To alert boats that a race will begin soon, the orange starting line flag will be displayed with 1 sound, at least 5 minutes before a warning signal is made.
- 6.3 Friday April 23 1800 1930 Registration/Happy Hour -
  - St Petersburg YC 2301 Pass A Grille Way, St. Pete Beach, Florida 33706

Saturday Apr 24	0830	Skippers Meeting – this may be done electronically vs in-person		
	1000	First Warning Class Flag - Kite Formula Class		
	1200	First Warning Class Flag - IQ Class		
	1400	2nd Session Class Flag - Kite Formula Class		
	1600	2nd Session Class Flag - IQ Class		
Sunday Apr 25	1000	First Warning Class Flag - Kite Formula Class		
	1200	First Warning Class Flag - IQ Class		
	1500	No racing started after this time – Awards to follow soon after last race		

# 7 CLASS FLAGS

7.1 The Kite Foil Class Flag will be a Pink Flag.

7.2 The IQ Class Flag will be a White Flag

### **8 VENUE**

Based on the forecast, the venue can be at the North end of the Skyway Bridge East side or Pass-A-Grille Beach at 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue South (Option 2). A final announcement will be made no later than 2000 hours the night before racing.

# 9 COURSES & MARKS

Course is described in Attachment A – Official Description of the Marks

Windward Mark Large Yellow Tetrahedron
Windward P Mark Large Yellow Tetrahedron
Leeward Mark Large Yellow Tetrahedron
Gybe Mark Large Yellow Tetrahedron

The Finish Pin Orange Tomato located downwind of RC Signal Boat

The Starting Pin Large Green Tetrahedron

# 10 RESTRICTED AREAS

- 10.1 At Pass-A-Grille beach, competitors shall only kite in the swim zone when going to or from the racecourse.
- 10.2 The swim zones are defined as obstructions.
- 10.3 A competitor breaking this rule may not correct her error per RRS 28.1 and shall retire. This changes RRS 28.1.

# 11 THE START

11.1. Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
3	Class Flag	One	Warning Signal
2	U, or black flag	One	Preparatory Signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

- 11.2 The Starting Line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and an inflatable mark set to port.
- 11.3 A competitor that does not start within 3 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A5.1 and A5.2

#### 12 THE FINISH

The Finish Line will be between a staff displaying a Solid Blue Flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and a mark set downwind of the committee boat.

### 13 TIME LIMIT FOR EACH RACE

13.1 Time-limits and target times, in-minutes, are as follows;

Target Time	Time Limit	Mark 1 Time Limit	Finish Time Window
Kites A&B Div 12	24	6	10
IQ Foils 15	25	10	10

- 13.2 If no boat rounds Mark 1 within the Mark 1 time limit, the race will be abandoned. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS-62.1(a).
- 13.3 Any boat failing to finish within the Finish Time Window (time after the first Div A boat starts, sailed the course as required by RRS28 and finishes) will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1,A4 and A5.1
- 13.4 The IQ Class Finish Time Window will be activated when after the first IQ boat starts, sailed the course as required by RRS28 and finishes.

# 14 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 14.1 Protests and requests for redress are available on line at Yacht Scoring.
- 14.2 Protest and requests for redress shall be filed with the Jury within 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later. The time will be posted on the notice board.
- 14.3 Infringements of Sailing Instructions 1.7, 3 & 16 shall not be grounds for protest from one competitor to another but may result in action from the Jury and or Race Committee.

## 15 SCORING

- 15.1 Scoring will be according to the low point system in Appendix A.
- 15.2 One Race is required to be completed to constitute a series
- 15.3 When fewer than 5 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores. When 6 to 12 races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores excluding her worst score. If 13 or more races have been completed, a boats series score will be the total of her races excluding her worst 2 scores. This amends Appendix A.

# **16 SAFETY REGULATIONS**

The check in, check out procedure will apply:

- 16.1 Check-out: Each competitor shall check-out each time they leave the shore with the Race Committee on-shore official.
- 16.2 Check-in: Each competitor shall check-in each time within 30 minutes of the end of the time limit of the race when they return ashore by notifying in person a Race Committee Beach on-shore official.

16.3 The penalty for infringement of the Safety System shall be 5 points added to the nearest race. The competitor's penalty score may be reduced to a 2-point penalty if a) the competitor who has not checked-out reports to the Race Committee Signal Boat before the warning signal of the first start for her class b) the competitor who has not checked in reports to the Race Office before the end of the protest time for her class.

#### 17 EQUIPMENT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Unless otherwise directed by the organizing authority, boards and equipment shall be launched and retrieved from the designated area at the event site.

### 18 DISPOSAL OF WASTE AND TRASH

No competitor shall discharge trash of any kind into the water. The penalty for a breach of this rule, which may include disqualification from a race, is at the discretion of the Protest Committee. This changes rules 60.1(a) and 64.1.

### 19 PRIZES

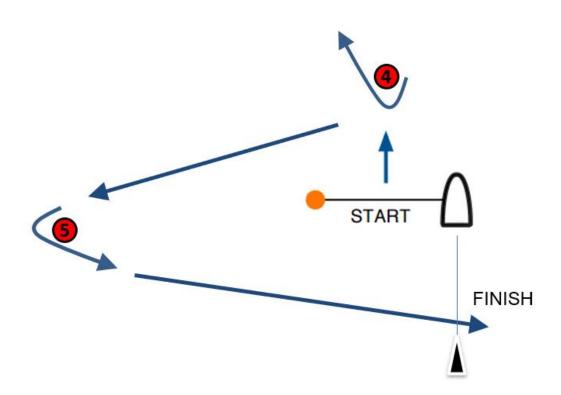
Prizes may be awarded based on participation.

### 20 DISCLAIMERS OF LIABILITY

20.1Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone. The organizing authority 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.

20.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the Regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of the crew of his/her boat both on the water and while ashore. The failure of any of those persons to comply with all federal, state, and local government regulations as well as the St Petersburg Yacht Club policies or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authority, Race Officers, or their representatives may result in the disqualification of the boat and its exclusion from the regatta. This modifies RRS 76.





XS 1: Start - Pp - 1p - Pp - 4s - 5p - Finish XS 2: Start - Pp - 1p - Pp - 4s - Pp - 1p - Pp - 4s - 5p - Finish