



49th ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK
APRIL 24th – 29th, 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

The Antigua Sailing Week Committee invites you to compete in the 49th Antigua Sailing Week. The Organising Authority is the Antigua Sailing Week Committee affiliated with the Antigua Sailing Association. The Regatta Headquarters will be located at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, Antigua.

Abbreviations:	ASW – Antigua Sailing Week	CSA – Caribbean Sailing Association
	PC – protest committee	RC – race committee
	OA – organising authority	NA – national authority
	RRS – racing rules of sailing	SI – sailing instructions
	IJ – International Jury	NOR – notice of race

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Regatta will be governed by the Rules as defined in the *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 – 2016 ('the RRS')*.
- 1.2 The Regatta will also be governed by:
 - (a) for boats in CSA classes, the *CSA Rating Rule*;
 - (b) for boats in Bareboat classes, the *Requirements for Bareboat Class*;
 - (c) for multihulls, the *CSA Multihull Rating Rule*;
 - (d) for all boats, *ASW Minimum Safety Rules*.
- 1.3 The RRS will be changed as follows:
 - (a) Rule 52, Manual Power, is deleted;
 - (b) Rule 55, Trash Disposal, will be changed by adding the following sentence to the Rule: 'However, discarding biodegradable, environmentally friendly bands when setting a sail is permitted.'
 - (c) Rule 64.1, Penalties and Exoneration, is changed by section 11.3 of this NOR;
 - (d) Rule 77, Identification on Sails, is deleted;
 - (e) Part 5, Section B is changed by section 11.4 of this NOR.The changes will appear in full in the Sailing Instructions. The Sailing Instructions may also change other Rules.
- 1.4 For Multihull classes only, ASW Minimum Safety Rule #2 with respect to lifelines shall not apply.

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2. ADVERTISING

- 2.1 Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and provided by the Organising Authority as permitted by ISAF Regulation 20.

3. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 3.1 The Regatta will be held for the following classes which may be subdivided:
- (a) CSA Monohull;
 - (b) CSA Bareboat;
 - (c) CSA Multihull.
- 3.2 Boats shall enter online at www.sailingweek.com.
- 3.3 Entries will be accepted up to 6 pm on Friday, April 15, 2016. Further entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organising Authority.
- 3.4 The Organising Authority reserves the right to amalgamate, cancel, divide, sub-divide or rearrange classes at its sole discretion.
- 3.5 All boats shall have a minimum of two (2) persons on board at all times while racing.
- 3.6 All entries must declare their sail configuration at Registration but in any event, by no later than 12 pm on Saturday, April 23, 2016.
- 3.7 All competitors will be required to complete a waiver provided by the Organising Authority prior to the start of racing.

4. FEES

- 4.1 For all classes the entry fee will be:
- (a) US \$10 per foot of measured overall length if paid in full prior to March 1, 2016;
 - (b) US \$12 per foot of measured overall length if paid in full between March 1, 2016 and April 15, 2016;
 - (c) US \$14 per foot of measured overall length if paid after April 15, 2016.
- 4.2 Entrants are requested to pay entry fees by Visa or MasterCard online at www.sailingweek.com. Alternatively, entry fees can be paid in person at the Antigua Sailing Week office located upstairs at Antigua Yacht Club Marina, open from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday year round. Cheques or payments not honoured will be subject to a fee of US \$100 plus any levied bank charges.
- 4.3 Paid entries withdrawing on or before April 15, 2016 will receive a refund of the entry fee, less a 20% administration fee. Entries withdrawing after April 15, 2016 will not receive a refund except in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Organising Authority.

5. REGISTRATION

- 5.1 Registration is mandatory for all entrants including bareboats and will take place at the Committee Desk at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, as follows:
- Friday, April 22 from 9 am to 5 pm;
 - Saturday, April 23 from 9 am to 12 pm.

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6. IDENTIFICATION

- 6.1 All boats are required to provide their sail numbers before the close of Registration.
- 6.2 All boats without sail numbers will be required to carry bow and/or stern numbers for the purpose of identification. These will be supplied at Registration and a refundable cash deposit of US \$50 will be charged to all boats requiring bow and/or stern numbers.

7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 For all classes racing will take place as follows:
- Sunday, April 24, 2016;
 - Monday, April 25, 2016;
 - Tuesday, April 26, 2016;
 - Thursday, April 28, 2016;
 - Friday, April 29, 2016.
- 7.2 A minimum of one (1) race shall be scheduled for all classes on each day of racing.
- 7.3 For all classes there will be a lay day on Wednesday, April 27, 2016.
- 7.4 The earliest warning signal for the first race on each day will be 10 am.

8. MEASUREMENT AND RATINGS

- 8.1 All entries shall have:
- (a) in the CSA Monohull classes, a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA rating certificate;
 - (b) in the CSA Bareboat classes, a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA Bareboat rating certificate;
 - (c) in the CSA Multihull classes, a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA Multihull rating certificate.
- 8.2 Boats requiring CSA measurement in Antigua should contact either of the CSA Official Measurers listed below by no later than 12 pm on Wednesday, April 20, 2016. Measurement of boats in time for Registration cannot be guaranteed after that time.
- Tony Maidment Phone: (268) 773-5598 Email: maidment@candw.ag
Sandy Mair Phone: (268) 464-1097 Email: cricketant112@gmail.com
- 8.3 All multihull entries must contact a CSA measurer via www.caribbean-sailing.com to arrange for measurement and to obtain a rating certificate.

9. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 9.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and online at www.sailingweek.com prior to Registration.

10. COURSES

- 10.1 All courses will be located in the waters surrounding the coast of Antigua and will be around laid marks or point to point courses.

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10.2 There may be variation in courses and distances for different classes and for sub-divided classes.

11. INTERNATIONAL JURY AND PENALTIES

11.1 An International Jury will be appointed in accordance with Rule 91(b).

11.2 Decisions of the International Jury will be final as provided in Rule 70.5.

11.3 Except for breaches of Parts 1 and 2 of the RRS, the International Jury may apply any discretionary penalties. This changes Rule 64.1.

11.4 For protests involving a breach of a rule of Part 2 of the RRS, an arbitration hearing may be offered prior to a jury hearing. This changes Part 5, Section B of the RRS. Decisions from Arbitration can be referred to a protest committee but cannot be reopened or appealed.

12. SCORING

12.1 The Low Point System, Rule A4, shall apply.

12.2 A boat's series score shall be:

(a) when fewer than six (6) races have been completed, the total of her race scores;

(b) when six (6) or more races have been completed, the total of her race scores excluding her worst score.

12.3 For all classes one (1) race must be completed to constitute a series.

13. PRIZES

13.1 Burgees will be awarded to first, second and third place in each class daily. Prizes may also be awarded.

13.2 Trophies will be awarded at the end of the week to first, second and third place overall in each class.

13.3 The Lord Nelson Trophy will be awarded to the most worthy performance in the opinion of the Organising Authority.

13.4 All other prizes to be awarded will be listed on www.sailingweek.com.

14. INSURANCE

14.1 Boats are strongly advised to hold Third Party Liability Insurance valid for the duration of the Regatta.

15. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RISK STATEMENT

15.1 Rule 4 of the RRS states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone.' Sailing is by its nature an unpredictable sport and therefore involves an element of risk. By taking part in ASW, each competitor agrees and acknowledges that:

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- (a) they are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the sport and accept responsibility for the exposure of themselves, their crew and their boat to such inherent risk while taking part in ASW;
- (b) they are responsible for the safety of themselves, their crew, their boat and their other property whether afloat or ashore;
- (c) they accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by their own actions or omissions;
- (d) their boat is in good order, equipped to sail in ASW and they are fit to participate; and
- (e) the provision of a race management team, support boats, judges and other officials and volunteers by the Organising Authority does not relieve them of their own responsibilities.

16. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 16.1 The governing documents referred to in Section 1, Rules, can be found as follows:
- (a) *ISAF Racing Rules of Sailing (2013 - 2016)* - www.sailing.org;
 - (b) the *CSA Rating Rule* - www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (c) the *Requirements for Bareboat Class* - www.sailingweek.com;
 - (d) the *CSA Multihull Rating Rule* – www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (e) *ASW Minimum Safety Rules* – www.sailingweek.com.
- 16.2 Information about the Caribbean Sailing Association, the CSA Rating Rules and CSA Measurers is available at: www.caribbean-sailing.com.
- 16.3 For further information see: www.sailingweek.com or contact roc@sailingweek.com.
- 16.4 To enter Antigua Sailing Week 2016, go to www.sailingweek.com and click on 'Enter'.

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