

Sailing Instructions

2016 Leukemia Cup Regatta

Presented by the Charleston Ocean Racing Association (CORA).

September 23 - 24, 2016

Charleston, SC

1 RULES

The rules governing the 2016 Leukemia Cup Regatta will be: The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS).

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to the competitors will be posted on the Leukemia Cup Regatta website and the official notice boards located at the Charleston Yacht Club on Friday 9/23.

3 CHANGES IN THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1 Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Leukemia Cup Regatta website and at the Charleston Yacht Club on Friday 9/23.

3.2 For an on the water change to the sailing instructions: "L" flag shall be displayed with class flag, if appropriate. The change will be announced on the designated VHF channel. This changes RRS Race Signals.

4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

4.1 The Leukemia Cup Regatta is open to PHRF monohull boats that are 24-60 feet LOA.

4.2 All competing boats must have registered and paid applicable fees to:
Leukemia Cup Regatta

5 SCHEDULE

5.1 Events and Races are scheduled as follows:

Friday	23 September	1900-2000	Registration and Welcome Party, Charleston Yacht Club, 17 Lockwood Dr, Charleston SC
Friday	23 September	1900-1930	Competitors' Meeting
Saturday	24 September	1025	1 st race of the day Warning signal, other races to follow
Saturday	24 September	1700-2100	Leukemia Cup Party, Racing Awards, Fundraising Awards, Silent/Live Auctions, Rum Bar, Charleston Maritime Center, 10 Wharfside St, Charleston, SC 29401

5.2 No warning signal will be made after 1430 on Saturday.

6 CLASSES

- 6.1** The following classes will be scored:
Class A, B, C, and D. Assignments will be made upon registration.
- 6.2** The class flags will be:
Class A: Pink
Class B: Green
Class C: Yellow
Class D: Light Blue

7 MARKS

The marks will be:

- Mark 1 is a yellow tetrahedron.
Mark O is an offset mark white ball
Marks 2 and 3 are yellow tetrahedrons.
The start and finish will be race committee boats or an inflatable buoy.
New mark 1 is a orange tetrahedron.

8 CHECK IN

- 8.1** A boat intending to race shall check in with the Race Committee using the boat name, sail number and class via VHF radio channel 74.
- 8.2** A boat shall continue to check in until it has been acknowledged by the Race Committee via VHF radio.
- 8.3** A boat failing to check-in may be scored DNS
- 8.4** Once acknowledged by Race Committee, the boat shall switch and monitor channel 73 for course announcements, starting order and other race information

9 COURTESY BROADCASTS

A designated member of the Race Committee may report visual signals displayed by the Race Committee over VHF channel 73. Information reported by the designated person is provided as a courtesy to competitors and does not in any way alter the competitor's responsibility to observe the Race Committee's visual signals, which govern the conduct of the racing. Errors or omissions on the part of the designated person will not be grounds for redress.

10 RACECOURSE

- 10.1** The diagrams in Illustration A (Illustration A will be provided in race packets) reflect the courses, including the approximate angle between legs, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which a mark is to be left. Courses will be windward/leeward, or include a reaching mark for a triangular course as designated.
- 10.2** The racecourses will be established in Charleston Harbor utilizing dropped marks and/or Government marks.
- 10.3** At all times boats must monitor and keep clear of the commercial traffic. Boats that hinder commercial traffic to the point of five horns are subject to protest by the race committee.

11. THE START

11.1 Races will be started by using RRS 26.

11.2 The starting line will be between the staffs displaying an orange flag on the starboard end signal boat and the port end starting mark boat. In the event that the port end mark boat is not on station, it will be replaced by an inflatable mark. The course side of the inflatable mark will define the line.

11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races. The starting area is defined as 100 yards in all directions from the starting line.

11.4 A boat starting later than 4 minutes after their starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes rule A4.

12 THE FINISH

The finish line will be on the opposite side of the signal boat from the starting line between a staff displaying an orange flag on signal boat and a white ball finish pin.

13 PENALTY

13.1 The first two sentences of Rule 44.1 are changed to: "A boat may take a one-turn penalty when it may have broken a rule of Part 2 or Rule 31 while racing. However when she may have broken a rule of Part 2 while in the zone around a mark other than a starting mark her penalty shall be a two-turns Penalty." RRS 44.3 scoring penalty shall not apply.

13.1.1 Unless the course is shortened to finish at the windward mark, penalties with-in the zone of the windward mark or on the offset leg may be delayed and taken as soon as possible on the downwind leg. This changes rule 44.2

13.2 Post Race penalties. RRS Appendix T, Section B will apply

13.3 A boat that has taken a penalty turn(s) in accordance with SI 10.1 shall notify the Race Committee after the race.

14 TIME LIMITS AND TARGET TIMES

14.1 The target time for dropped mark course races is 45 to 60 minutes but no greater than 90 minutes. Failure to meet the target time will not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a)

14.2 For dropped mark course races, boats still racing more than 20 minutes after the first boat to sail the course in accordance with RRS 28.1 finishes will scored TLE (Time Limit Expired) without a hearing (see Scoring). This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4.2, and A5.

15 SCORING

15.1 A maximum of four races are scheduled, one of which must be completed to constitute a regatta. The score for each boat will be the sum of the scores for all races sailed. This changes RRS A2.

15.2 There will be no throw-outs allowed.

16 PROTESTS

- 16.1** A boat intending to protest shall comply with RRS 61 and additionally report to the race committee (signal boat or finish boat) as soon as possible after finishing, giving the race committee its sail number and the sail number(s) of the protested boat(s). This changes RRS 61.

17 SAFETY

- 17.1** Each competitor is solely responsible for his own safety and, by participation, agrees to sail at his or her own risk. The Charleston Ocean Racing Association (CORA), Leukemia Cup Regatta, Charleston Yacht Club nor persons assisting with the conduct of races shall be responsible for damage or injury suffered during races or related activities.
- 17.2** A boat that retires from a race, leaves the course area or returns to the course area between races shall notify the race committee as soon as possible.
- 17.3** There will be a courtesy announcement on the designated VHF channel in the morning and at the end of the day's racing to communicate expected commercial traffic needs to the fleets. Boats are reminded that Charleston Harbor and its approaches have a high level of commercial traffic.

18 AWARDS

One overall trophy will be awarded in each class for every three boats entered up to a maximum of three trophies per class.

19 INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with valid, third party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$300,000 USD per event or the equivalent.

20 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 20.1** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. (See RRS4, Decision to race). 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 Charleston Ocean Racing Association, Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, Charleston Yacht Club, their employees and volunteers do not accept responsibility for the loss of life or injury to participants or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel in any way or from any cause during or relating to the event.