

**BRISA Cup Regatta 2023** 

October 14 - 15, 2023

# Notice of Race

The Organizing Authority (OA) is **Borinquen Island Sailing Association** (BRISA).

- 1. RULES
  - 1.1. This event shall be governed by the rules defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024 Edition. To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered, or made inoperative by addendums to the Notice of Race (NOR) or by the Sailing Instructions (SI).
  - 1.2. There may be three entry classes:
    - 1.1.1. Jib & Main
    - 1.1.2. Performance Cruiser
    - 1.1.3. RAYA
  - Boats in Jib & Main and Performance Cruiser classes must have official 2022-2023 CSA<sup>1</sup> (Simplified or Measured) rating certificates.
  - 1.4. For inquires and support contact the **Puerto Rico CSA measurer Rafael Martinez** at rim4@email.com and or phone **# 787-510-4817.** Changes to the reported CSA rating after registration shall be reported to the Organizing Authority before October 13, 2023.
  - 1.5. <u>Jib and Main classes</u> shall sail with one head sail only. Whisker pole is allowed. Genoas more than 150% are not allowed.
  - 1.6. <u>Performance Cruiser class</u> may sail with two head sails or spinnaker (symmetric or asymmetric). Spinnaker pole is allowed. Genoas more than 150% will not be allowed.
  - 1.7. **<u>RAYA class</u>** will use PHRF rating. It is a class for beginners. Only for teams with no prior experience racing. Will need approval of RO to be in this class.
  - 1.8. Each boat shall carry a **VHF radio** to be used exclusively for the purpose of safety and race committee communications. **VHF channel 71** shall be used for this event.
  - 1.9. The person in charge / Boat Owner must ensure compliance with a Federal and local statutory and regulatory safety equipment requirements. All safety equipment must be USCG or UL approved.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Caribbean Sailing Association

#### 2. Venue

2.1. The venue of this event includes the Bahia de Fajardo area, and the close to shore Atlantic Ocean waters to the east and northeast of Puerto Rico.

## 3. Eligibility and Entry

3.1 The Organizing Authority (BRISA) may refuse to allow a boat to race if in its opinion the boat is inadequately crewed or equipped or is otherwise not seaworthy or unsuitable for the course to be sailed. The race committee reserves the right to inspect any boat before or after any race.

#### 4. Classes:

- 4.1 <u>A minimum of three (3) boats</u> for each class is required to constitute a class. The acceptance of boats in a specific class is entirely at the discretion of the Race Committee.
- 4.2 Classes will generally be arranged according to rating and will be announced at the Skippers Meeting. The Race Committee, depending on the number of entries, will determine the number of classes within a division. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject entries in the classes as they deem appropriate.
- 4.3 Boats will be assigned to a class by the organizing authority which reserves the right to transfer a boat to another class after the first day's racing and before the start of the second day's racing. Changes will be posted on the official noticeboard at the Registration area.

## 5. Crew:

5.1 The minimum number of crew in all classes shall be three (3). No crew may be omitted or substituted unless permission is received in advance from the race Committee Chairman. All requests must be submitted in writing.

## 6. Registration:

- ALL CLASSES

   Early Bird Registration
   No later than Sept. 15, 2023, \$250.00

   Regular Registration:
   Sept 16 to Oct. 31, 2023, \$275.00

   Late Registration:
   After October 1, 2023
- 6.1 Registration Fee shall be as follows:

6.2 Registration and payment in full must be done using <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u> no later than Friday, October 13, 2023. Puerto Rico Sales Tax Law - an additional 11.5% tax will be charged at registration.

## 7. MARINA ACCOMMODATIONS

 7.1 Safe Harbor – Puerto del Rey Marina has offered limited berthing facilities at \$1.50 per foot per day. Contact marina for details on 787-860-1000.

## 8. NAVIGATION CHARTS AND SAFETY PLANS

- 8.1 Boats are encouraged to carry and be familiar with a current copy of NOAA charts, or equivalent, that cover the racing area.
- 8.2 In accordance with the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (Rule 46), a boat shall have on board a person in charge designated by the member or organization that entered the boat.

The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge. Fundamental RRS 4 states: "DECISION TO RACE: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

The Person in Charge/Owner shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and appropriately trained crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. The person in charge shall also assign a person to take over his responsibilities in the event of his incapacitation.

Upon registration through <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u>, Boat Owner / Person in Charge is responsible for providing their crew lists on this website. Boats need to provide a register of participating crew.

## 9. MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:

- 9.1 This is a costal race, the separation between ports in the route requires that each boat prepares a medical evacuation plan depending on the seriousness of the injury or disease potentially suffered. Skippers/Persons in Charge/Owners are responsible to make such plans and coordinate evacuations. Threatening life illnesses or accidents require immediate rescue by the U.S. Coast Guard, for which the boat must be ready to communicate the boat's coordinates for the rescue.
- 9.2 Injuries occurring close to Ports or Marinas must be handled by 9-1-1. In such events determine the optimal rendezvous locations for emergency transfers. Any serious injury requiring evacuation during Start Sequences shall be notified to the RCSV. Head injuries should receive immediate medical attention and the

injured should not return to the water until they have been evaluated by a medical professional.

## 10 - IDENTIFICATION OF SAILS / BOATS:

10.1 Boats will be identified by national letters, numbers or combinations placed on all sails. In the case of a duplicate number the last boat to be registered should modify its number before the first warning signal.

## **11.- SAILING INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 11.1 The Sailing Instructions for the regatta shall be posted in <u>www.yachtscoring.com</u> website under the BRISA Cup 2023 Regatta.
- 11.2 A copy of the Sailing Instructions will also be posted on the Official Notice Board at the regatta booth located next to the East Island Excursions ticketing facility (behind La Cueva del Mar) at Safe Harbor – Puerto del Rey Marina.

## 12 – AWARD CEREMONY - TROPHIES

- 12.1 The Award Ceremony is on be held Sunday, October 15, at 1700 at a designated area fronting the East Island Excursions ticketing building behind La Cueva del Mar at Safe Harbor Puerto del Rey Marina.
- 12.2 Trophies will be awarded to the first three boats in each class.
- 12.3 The BRISA Cup trophy will be awarded to the BRISA member boat achieving the highest place in the CSA Jib and Main Class. Boat owners are encouraged to fill the membership form and pay the annual fee prior to the commencement of the event.

#### **13 - INFORMATION**

- a. Regatta Chairperson Enid Marie Reyes comodorobrisaestepr@gmail.com
- b. Regatta Officer Cpt. Carlos Martinez <u>cmartine97@gmail.com</u>
- c. Registration for the BRISA Cup: http://www.yachtscoring.com