



2017 Go Your Own Way Race Around the Captain Islands Hosted by Indian Harbor Yacht Club

Sailing Instructions

- Rules** This race will be governed by the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*, regulations of the YRA of LIS, and by these Sailing Instructions.
- Schedule** Saturday July 29th, 1500 first start
- Notices to Competitors** Scratch sheets and these Sailing Instructions are available at the IHYC Front Desk starting 1200 the day of racing, and from the RC Signal Boat on the water.
- Sails** No spinnakers, gennikers or bloopers are permitted. No more than one sail at a time in the fore triangle except during a seaman-like sail change. Whisker poles and spinnaker poles can be used in accordance with Rule 50 which requires poles to be attached to the foremast.
- Communication** The committee will monitor and communicate on VHF channel 72.
- Start** Boats shall pass from north to south between a flag on the Race Committee Signal Boat and mark X located west of Red Rock and south of the Indian Harbor mooring field. The starting sequence is intended to be Catboat One-Design, followed by Division I and Division II. If there is a spinnaker division it will be Division III. Race Committee may change the starting order of divisions by announcement by hailer and or VHF.
- Divisions** Divisions and tentative starting order
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| Catboat One-Design Division | Class flag pennant numeral 3 |
| Division II 112 and higher | Class flag pennant numeral 2 |
| Division I 111 and lower (PHRF rating) | Class flag pennant numeral 1 |
- Starting Sequence** Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26. The starting signal for a division shall serve as the warning signal for the subsequent division.
- Recalls** Individual Recall and General Recalls will be signaled in accordance with RRS 29.
- Course** Boats shall, in order, either pass north of Nun 4 Cormorant Reef, west of Nun 2 Great Captain Island, and east of Green Gong 1, or east of Green Gong 1, west of Nun 2 Great Captain Island, and north of Nun 4 Cormorant Reef. The choice of course direction IS AT THE DISCRETION OF EACH BOAT.
- While Overtaking** It is recommended that as a courtesy, overtaking boats shall pass to leeward of the boat(s) being overtaken, unless a separation exists of at least four boat lengths as measured by the larger boat. The same shall apply when passing a boat on opposite course.

- Finish** Boats shall pass from south to north between a flag on the race committee signal boat and Mark X located to the west of Red Rock and south of the Indian Harbor mooring area.
- Time Limit** 1900 hours for all divisions
- Scoring** YRA of LIS PHRF non-spinnaker ratings will be used, except for a possible spinnaker division that will use the appropriate rating. Corrected times are calculated by time-on-time allowances. All divisions will be scored separately regardless of starting sequence.
- Protests** The exoneration penalty available under RRS 44 for a boat that may have broken a rule of Part 2 (RRS 10 through 22) shall be a One-Turn Penalty consisting of a tack and a jibe taken at the time of the incident. Boats shall report any protest, and also any penalty turns taken, to the Race Committee when they finish. Protests shall be written on forms available at each club, and submitted to the Front Desk of the sponsoring club within one hour of the Race Committee Boat having docked. All protests will initially be arbitrated within the next hour (or as soon as possible). The Protest Arbitration Penalty shall be the 20% Scoring Penalty as described in RRS 44.3(c). When a protest is not resolved by arbitration, a hearing will immediately follow, unless re-scheduled to a later date for the mutual convenience of the participants.
- Safety** It is the responsibility of skippers and crew to wear US Coast Guard approved life jackets whenever conditions warrant. Furthermore, as a condition of participation in any race, the owner and crew agree that the safety of the boat and her crew and the decision whether or not to start or continue a race is solely their responsibility.
- Prizes** Fun Prizes 1st through 3rd will be awarded in each division. Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the Race Committee.