

# 52<sup>nd</sup> ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK

# PETERS & MAY ROUND ANTIGUA RACE SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019

# **Sailing Instructions**

The Organising Authority is the Antigua Sailing Week Committee affiliated with the Antigua and Barbuda Sailing Association. The Regatta headquarters will be located at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, Antigua.

Abbreviations: ASW – Antiqua Sailing Week CSA – Caribbean Sailing Association

RRS – Racing Rules of Sailing OA – Organising Authority RC – Race Committee SI – Sailing Instructions

#### 1. RULES

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by the rules as defined in the *Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The Race will also be governed by:
  - (a) for boats in CSA classes, the CSA Rating Rule;
  - (b) for boats in Bareboat Classes, the ASW Bareboat Class Rules;
  - (c) for multihulls, the CSA Multihull Rating Rule;
  - (d) for classic boats, the CSA Classic Rating Rule or for Spirit of Tradition boats, the CSA Rating Rule;
  - (e) for Club Class boats, the ASW Club Class Rules
  - (f) for all boats, the ASW Minimum Safety Rules.
- 1.3 RRS 52, Manual Power, is deleted
- 1.4 RRS 55, Trash Disposal, shall be amended by adding the following sentence after the first sentence: 'However, discarding biodegradable, environmentally friendly bands when setting a sail is permitted.'

#### 2. NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

All notices to competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board located near the Committee Desk at Antigua Yacht Club.

## 3. RADIO COMMUNICATION

- 3.1 It is the intention of the RC to communicate regularly with competitors on the designated VHF channel from 7:30 am.
- 3.2 The RC will stand by on VHF channel 12.

Failure of a boat to hear any notification on VHF will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

## 4. SAFETY

- 4.1 No boat shall race with an anchor overhanging the bow. However, written application may be made to the OA for exemption from this requirement and the associated portion of *ASW Minimum Safety Rule #7* which may, in the OA's sole discretion, grant exemption.
- 4.2 A boat that retires shall attempt to notify the RC as soon as possible on VHF channel 12, and shall use its best efforts to receive an acknowledgement. If a boat is unable to contact the Race Committee by VHF, it shall contact the Committee Desk at +1 268 717 9619
- 4.3 In case of injury or emergency contact ABSAR on VHF Channel 16 or at +1 268 562 1234.

### 5. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Antigua Yacht Club by 3 pm on Friday, April 26, 2019.

## 6. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

6.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed from a flag staff at Fort Charlotte above the Pillars of Hercules, outside English Harbour.

#### 7. SCHEDULE

- 7.1 For all classes, the race will take place on Saturday, April 27, 2019.
- 7.2 The warning signal for the first class will be at 8 am. The order of starts, start times and class flag colours will be provided at Registration and will be posted on the Official Notice Board at Antigua Yacht Club by 3 pm on Friday, April 26, 2019

#### 8. CLASSES

- 8.1 Classes will be divided by type of boat and/or time correction factor (TCF) at the sole discretion of the OA which may decide that in certain classes boats must sail with their spinnaker rating.
- 8.2 Boats must declare their-sail configuration at Registration which must not be changed after 3 pm on Friday, April 27. This also applies to boats with alternate headsail ratings.

#### 9. IDENTIFICATION

All boats without sail numbers will be provided with identification numbers at Registration which shall be clearly displayed on both sides of the bow of the boat, per the instructions issued, at all times during racing.

#### 10. THE COURSE, MARKS AND OBSTRUCTIONS

- 10.1 The course will be anti-clockwise around the island of Antigua. Appendix 1 to these Sailing Instructions describes the course, the order that the marks are to be rounded and includes a diagram showing approximate locations of the marks.
- 10.2 The start and finish line will be between the flag staff at Fort Charlotte above the Pillars of Hercules outside English Harbour and an inflatable mark to the south.
- 10.3 All other marks of the course will be orange or yellow inflatable buoys.
- 10.4 If a Committee Boat displaying the 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute is positioned in the vicinity of a mark of the course, both the Committee Boat and the mark constitute a gate where an official time shall be recorded.

  Boats shall pass between the Committee Boat and the mark.
- 10.5 While racing no boat shall sail to the north of any part of Cades Reef.

# 11. THE START

- 11.1 Race starts will be with the warning signal being made 10 minutes before the starting signal (10 4 1 5tart). This changes rule 26.
- 11.2 The starting line will be between the flag staff displaying a red flag at Fort Charlotte and an inflatable outer distance mark to the south.
- 11.3 Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall keep clear of the starting area.
- 11.4 Individual recalls will be broadcast on VHF. Delay or failure to broadcast or receive a recalled bow or sail number will not be grounds for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 11.3 A boat starting later than 10 minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start (DNS) without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.

#### 12. THE FINISH

- 12.1 The finishing line will be between the flag staff displaying a red flag at Fort Charlotte and an inflatable outer distance mark to the south.
- 12.2 The RC may decide to retrospectively shorten the course at a gate (SI 10.4). In this event, boats already through the gate will have their finishing time amended to the time that they passed through the gate, whilst the following boats will be finished at the gate by the Committee Boat displaying the 2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute and flag "S" and, if necessary, the flags of the classes affected. The RC will also display flags "S" over "H" at the finish line at Fort Charlotte and, if necessary, the flags of the classes affected. This changes RRS 32 and RRS 'Race Signals'. The RC will make every effort to confirm this by VHF. Should the course be shortened in accordance with this SI 12.2, any event which might give cause for a protest after the gate in applicable classes shall not be taken into consideration and no boat will be penalised except for a breach of a Fundamental Rule, RRS 14 if the incident resulted in injury or serious damage, RRS 24.1 or RRS 69.

#### 13. PENALTY SYSTEM

- 13.1 The penalty, if any, for breaches of the RRS other than Parts 1 and 2 will be at the sole discretion of the jury. This changes RRS 64.1
- 13.2 A boat that does not take a penalty in accordance with RRS 44.1 may accept a 30% scoring penalty before the protest hearing at the discretion of the jury. This changes RRS 44.3(c)

#### 14. TIME LIMITS

- 14.1 The time limit for all classes will be 6 pm.
- 14.2 Boats failing to finish by the time limit will be scored Did Not Finish (DNF) without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.

#### 15. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 15.1 Protest forms will be available at the Protest Desk upstairs at Antigua Yacht Club. The protest time limit is one hour after a boat's finishing time or 6:30 pm, whichever is earlier.
- 15.2 The time limit for filing a written request for a hearing under RRS N1.4(b) is 30 minutes after a party has been notified of the panel's decision.
- 15.3 Notices informing competitors of the place and approximate time of each protest will be posted on the Protest Board adjacent to the Protest Desk within 15 minutes of being filed. Hearings will commence as soon as possible after protests or requests for redress have been filed.

15.4 For protests involving an alleged breach of a rule of RRS Part 2 or RRS 31, a short arbitration hearing may be held prior to a protest hearing. This changes RRS Part 5, Section B. A boat accepting a penalty at arbitration will be assessed a 40% scoring penalty calculated per RRS 44.3(c).

#### 16. RESULTS AND PRIZES

- 16.1 Results will be posted on the results board at Antigua Yacht Club and at www.sailingweek.com as soon as possible. Results may also be posted on large screen TVs in bars and restaurants throughout the English and Falmouth Harbour areas.
- 16.2 The Peters & May Trophy will be presented to the overall corrected time winner. A trophy will also be presented to the monohull elapsed time winner.
- 16.3 Prizes will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each class. Other prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the OA.
- 16.4 The prize giving will be held in Nelson's Dockyard at approximately 7 pm on Saturday, April 28, 2018 or as soon thereafter as possible.

#### 17. OUTSIDE COMMUMICATION

Except in an emergency or when responding to contact from the OA's radio broadcaster, a boat that is racing shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communications not available to all boats.

#### 18. MEDIA RIGHTS

By participating in this event, competitors grant to the OA and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio, and video recordings, and other production of them and/or their boat made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

#### 19. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY AND RISK STATEMENT

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The OA 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. INSURANCE

Each participating boat shall be insured with adequate valid third-party liability insurance for the duration of the Race.