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# NOTICE OF RACE

This document, combined with each respective event's Supplemental Notice of Race, comprises that event's Notice of Race required by RRS 89.2(a).

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Southern Ocean Racing Conference is the Race Committee for each race, which is organized under the authority of one or more member yacht clubs, including the Coral Reef Yacht Club, the Lauderdale Yacht Club, the Storm Trysail Club, and the Nassau Yacht Club.
- 1.2 Each race will be governed by the rules defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (Rules, RRS).
- 1.3 U.S. Sailing Prescription 34 will not apply.
- 1.4 From sunset to sunrise, Part 2 of the Rules shall not apply and shall be replaced by Part B, The Steering and Sailing Rules, of the International Regulations for Preventing collisions at Sea (COLREGS).
- 1.5 For each event, the terms "Notice of Race" (NOR) and "Sailing Instructions" (SI) required by RRS 89.2(a) and 90.2(a) respectively include the Comprehensive and Supplemental versions of those documents.
- 1.6 In case of conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. (This changes rule 63.7.)
- 1.7 A boat may carry one more spinnaker than shown on her current rating certificate of area not greater than rated SPA without an increase in rating.
- 1.8 Advertising shall be per current ISAF Regulation 20.

## 2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Each race is open to ocean racing/cruising monohull and multihull boats of the following classes whose owner is a member of his/her national authority and who comply with the requirements of the following classes:

<u>Useful Web sites</u>	
SORC Web Site	<a href="http://www.sorcsailing.org">www.sorcsailing.org</a>
U.S. Sailing	<a href="http://www.ussailing.org">www.ussailing.org</a>
IRC Ratings (US)	<a href="http://www.ussailing.org">www.ussailing.org</a>
IRC Ratings (Intl)	<a href="http://www.rorcrating.com">www.rorcrating.com</a>
ORC Ratings	<a href="http://www.orc.org">www.orc.org</a>
PHRF of SE Florida	<a href="http://www.phrfsef.com">www.phrfsef.com</a>
MOCRA	<a href="http://www.mocra-sailing.org.uk">www.mocra-sailing.org.uk</a>
MOCRA Ratings	<a href="http://sites.google.com/site/mocrarating">sites.google.com/site/mocrarating</a>

- 2.1.1 Offshore Racing Congress (ORC), boats with an offshore long distance Time on Time rating factor of 0.880 and higher.
- 2.1.2 Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF), boats with rating of 189 or lower from PHRF of Southeast Florida
- 2.1.3 International Rating Certificate (IRC)-rated boats.
- 2.1.4 Multihull Offshore Cruising and Racing Association (MOCRA) boats of ocean racing/cruising type with enclosed cabins, and permanent accommodations. The Race Committee reserves the right to reject any entry that does not comply with its definition of an "ocean racing/cruising type" Multihull boat.
- 2.1.5 East Coast Racer Cruiser Association (ECRCA) boats meeting ECRCA requirements. Performance Cruiser, Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker classes may be offered.
- 2.2 Prior to the Early Entry Deadline, the race committee may create a new class when five or more boats so request, or reassign registered boats to other classes if at least five boats have not registered.
- 2.3 Boats in each rated class are required to have their current year valid certificates on board while racing.

**3 CREW LIMITS**

3.1 Crew Limits for the following classes are:

3.1.1	IRC:	<u>Certificate Crew Number</u>	<u>Additional Crew</u>
		9 or less	1
		10-13	2
		14 or more	3

There is no crew weight limit. This changes IRC 22.4.2.

- 3.1.2 ORC: no crew limits.
- 3.1.3 PHRF: crew limits shall be as listed on their current valid certificate, plus one.
- 3.1.4 Offshore One Design Classes: class limit plus one.
- 3.2 Crew weight limits for ORC-rated boats may be declared from default values by contacting the boat's national rating office and receiving a certificate issued with the correct declared crew weight.

**4 ENTRY**

- 4.1 Eligible boats may enter a race by completing the registration process on the race web site or by completing the race's entry form and sending it with the required fee, a signed Owner Waiver, and a copy of the boat's current rating certificate (when relevant) to the address provided by the Entry Deadline provided in the race's Supplemental NOR.
- 4.2 Entry Deadlines are described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 4.3 Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 USD or the equivalent.
- 4.4 Ratings and preliminary class assignments will be posted on each race's web site and Official Notice Board prior to the Skippers Meeting.

- 4.5 Final class assignments will be posted on each race's website and Official Notice Board prior to the Skippers Meeting.

**5 ENTRY FEES**

- 5.1 Entry Fees will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 5.2 No entry fee will be refunded after the Entry Deadline.
- 5.3 A Late Documentation Fee of \$100 applies for any rating certificate changed after the entry deadline.

**6 SCHEDULE**

Nassau Cup Ocean Race	November 14, 2019
Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race	January 23, 2020
Miami to Lucaya Race	February 14, 2020
Eleuthera Race	March 11, 2020

Note: SORC serves as the Race Committee for the Wirth Munroe Palm Beach Race on December 6, 2019, but this event has a separate OA with separate race documents.

**7 COURSES**

Courses will be summarized in each race's Supplemental NOR and described in its Sis.

**8 SAFETY**

- 8.1 Each race's Supplemental NOR contains important safety rules.
- 8.2 Each boat shall have non-electronic charts that are appropriate for the race area.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may inspect any boat for compliance with this section without prior warning before the start or after the finish.

**9 AWARDS PARTY**

Locations and details for awards parties will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.

**10 SCORING AND TIME ALLOWANCES**

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" will be used.
- 10.2 The course distance for rating purposes will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 10.3 PHRF Scoring details for each class are described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 10.4 For all other classes, a boat's rating allowance will be applied as a factor of the elapsed time of its race.

**11 RACE TRACKING DEVICES**

- 11.1 Each boat is required to be equipped with an active SPOT or Garmin/InReach position transponder, be subscribed to the “Track Progress” option offered by SPOT or Garmin/InReach, and to provide the Race Committee with the “shared URL” for the purpose of inclusion in the official race tracking program.
- 11.2 The tracking unit shall be mounted and operated throughout the race in accordance with the instructions provided. Only the race committee may protest a boat for an alleged violation of this section.
- 11.3 Tracking data may not be used as grounds for a protest.

**12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS**

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions for each race shall be posted no later than one week prior to the start of the race.
- 12.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions after posting will be accompanied by Code Flag "L" on site at the Skipper Meeting venue and posted to the race web site and on the Official Notice Board.

**13 SKIPPERS MEETING**

- 13.1 A representative of each boat shall attend the Skippers Meeting for each race
- 13.2 Each boat shall be required to complete and submit to the Race Committee at the Skippers Meeting an accurate crew list, required waiver(s) and equipment declaration form in exchange for their race packet.

**14 PRIZES**

Prizes will be given as follows: 1 st, 2nd, & 3rd place finishers in each division/class, provided at least five entries per division/class. Additional prizes may be awarded.

**15 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE**

While racing, boats may not receive weather, current, or navigational information except from publicized sources available to all competitors. Subscription, password protected or restricted access web pages, as well as phone conversations and text messages that contain any of the above information, are not allowed. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of RRS 41.

**16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY**

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event, including skippers and crew, are participating entirely at their own risk. (See Rule 4, Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority and Race Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the race.

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# NASSAU CUP NOTICE OF RACE (SUPPLEMENTAL)

This document, combined with the SORC Master Notice of Race, comprises the Notice of Race for the Nassau Cup Ocean Race. Numbered sections in this document are supplements to, not replacements for, equivalently numbered sections in the Comprehensive NOR.

## 1 RULES

- 1.1 The Nassau Yacht Club, under the jurisdiction of the Bahamas Sailing Association (BSA), is the Organizing Authority for the 2019 Nassau Cup Ocean Race. The race is managed by the Southern Ocean Racing Conference (SORC).
- 1.2 Only U.S. Sailing Prescriptions to RRS 61.4, 67, 70.5(a), and 76.1 apply.

## 2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.3 Boats must have a minimum LOA of 30 feet.

## 4 ENTRY

- 4.2 The Entry Deadline is 1800 hours Friday, November 8th, 2019. The Early Entry Deadline is 1800 hours October 15, 2019.
- 4.4 Ratings and preliminary class assignments shall be posted by 1200 hrs Wednesday, November 13 and remain posted until 1700 hrs the same day, at which time they will stand for the race.
- 4.6 Entries may be completed online by going to [www.nassaucuprace.org](http://www.nassaucuprace.org), or the official entry form can be downloaded, completed and mailed with a check made out to SORC Inc. to: Nassau Cup Race c/o Coral Reef Yacht Club, 2484 S. Bayshore Drive Coconut Grove, FL, 33133.

## 5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 (*Amended 10/2/2019, NOR Amendment 2*) The Entry Fee is \$390 by the Early Entry Deadline. A Late Fee of \$100 will apply after that date.

## 6 SCHEDULE

Early Entry Deadline	October 15	1800 hrs
Entry Deadline	November 8	1800 hrs
Preliminary Class Assignments posted	November 13	1200 hrs

Class Assignments final	November 13	1700 hrs
Skippers Meeting	November 13	1800 hrs
First Warning Signal	November 14	1100 hrs
Awards Party	November 16	1800 hrs

## 7 COURSES

The course shall be from the Start Line northeast of Government Cut, to the Finish Line at the northwest entrance of Nassau Harbour, leaving Great Isaac (including Northeast Rock and East Brother), and Great Stirrup to Starboard.

- 8.1 *(Amended 10/2/19, NOR Amendment 1)* All boats must conform to the current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Ocean Racing with the following changes or additions:
- 8.1.1 Engine and Fuel (SER 2.7.1): SER 2.7.1 is amended as follows:
  - 8.1.2 A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is quickly available and capable of driving the boat at a minimum speed in knots equivalent to the square root of LWL in feet (1.81 times the square root of the waterline in meters) with sufficient fuel to provide range under power for 75 miles.
  - 8.1.3 Operative VHF/FM transceiver with Channels 9, 16, 68, 71 and 72. (DSC and GMDSS equipped and MMSI registered VHF radios are required per SER 3.8.1 and 3.8.2.)
  - 8.1.4 Ship's AIS Transponder required, pursuant to SER 3.9.
  - 8.1.5 Life raft need not have a canopy or insulated floor
  - 8.1.6 While personal AIS beacons are not yet required by the SER, competitors are strongly encouraged to avail themselves of this invaluable device.

## 9 AWARDS PARTY

- 9.1 The Awards party will be held at the Nassau Yacht Club on Saturday 6pm, November 16.

## 10 SCORING AND TIME ALLOWANCES

- 10.3 For the PHRF divisions, Time-on-Time scoring will be used. Time allowances will be calculated using the following conversion formula:  $650 / (550 + \text{PHRF Rating})$ .

## 12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Changes or addenda to this Notice of Race or to the Sailing Instructions shall be posted on the official bulletin board at Coral Reef Yacht Club. Code Flag "L" will be displayed from the Coral Reef Yacht Club if an amendment has been posted.
- 12.2 Any amendment to the Notice of Race or the Sailing Instructions will be posted no later than 2000 hours on the day prior to the race.

**13 SKIPPERS MEETING**

13.1 The Skippers Meeting will be held at 1800 hrs, Wednesday, November 13th at the Coral Reef Yacht Club.

**14 PRIZES**

14.2 Perpetual Trophies will be awarded as follows:

The Coral Harbour Yacht Club Trophy for the first monohull boat to finish.

The Nassau Cup will be awarded to first place corrected time in the largest division.

The Arthur Bosworth Trophy will be awarded to first place corrected time in the ORC division.

The 'Half Hull' Perpetual will be awarded to the best performance by a Bahamian boat.

For More Information:

[www.nassaucuprace.org](http://www.nassaucuprace.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/sorcsailing>

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**In Nassau:**

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