

# 2022 Notice of Race and Sailing Instructions

## Conroe Yacht Club (Organizing Authority)

The notation '[NP]' in a rule means that a boat may not protest another boat for breaking that rule. The notation '[DP]' in a rule means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification. This changes RRS 60.1(a).

### 1 RULES

- 1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing [RRS].
- 1.2 This Notice of Race and the Sailing Instructions [NoR/SIs] applies to events hosted by Conroe Yacht Club [CYC] that do not publish a separate NoR and SI. A schedule of these events can be found at [conroeyachtclub@gmail.com](mailto:conroeyachtclub@gmail.com)

### 2 COMMUNICATION

- 2.1 The race office is located inside the clubhouse. It can also be reached by phone at 936-582-6636 or by email at [conroeyachtclub@gmail.com](mailto:conroeyachtclub@gmail.com).
- 2.2 The official notice board is located on or near the CYC clubhouse front door.
- 2.3 Prior to the event, amendments to the NoR/SIs will be posted electronically at Facebook/ConroeYachtClubGroup. During the event, amendments to the NoR/SIs will be posted on the official notice board and may be posted electronically. In the event of a conflict, the official notice board takes precedent.
- 2.4 A competitors' meeting may be held on the first day of a regatta.
- 2.5 [NP] All boats may carry a VHF radio capable of communicating on channels 71 and 16.
- 2.6 On the water, the race committee may make courtesy broadcasts to competitors on Channel 71.

### 3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 3.1 Changes to the NoR/SIs will be posted no later than 0930 on the day they take effect with the following exceptions.
- 3.2 Changes that affect the schedule will be posted no later than the protest time limit the day before it takes effect.
- 3.3 On the first day of a regatta, changes may be posted after 0930 if within 15 minutes after the competitors' meeting.
- 3.4 If racing is postponed ashore, changes may be posted no later than 90 minutes prior to the revised schedule for the first warning signal.

### 4 ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 4.1 The event is open to all boats of CYC members or invited Classes.
- 4.2 Eligible boats may enter by completing the online entry form (available at [www.conroeyachtclub.com](http://www.conroeyachtclub.com)) or notifying the PRO in person no later than 2 hours before the boat's first scheduled warning signal.

### 5 FEES

- 5.1 There are no race entry fees.

### 6 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 6.1 Signals made ashore may be displayed from the flagpole on the lawn near the docks.
- 6.2 When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than 30 minutes' in RRS Race Signals.

### 7 SCHEDULE

- 7.1 The scheduled time of the first warning signal is 1055 hours.
- 7.2 On the last scheduled day of racing no warning signal will be made after 1600 hours.
- 7.3 The number of races scheduled for a 2-day regatta is 3 and for a 1-day regatta is 2.

### 8 CLASS FLAGS

- 8.1 Each class flag will be the class insignia on a plain background or as follows:

PHRF Sailboats	Plain White
Portsmouth Sailboats	Plain Purple

### 9 RACING AREAS

- 9.1 Racing will take place on Conroe Lake in the area East of the CYC inlet, unless otherwise posted.

### 10 THE COURSES

- 10.1 No later than the warning signal, the race committee will designate the course, (see Appendix A) and it may also display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.
- 10.2 [DP][NP] No later than the warning signal, the race committee may display the flag "Y" requiring all participants to wear their personal floatation device (PFD) during competition.
- 10.3 No later than the warning signal, the race committee may display flag "C" with several sound signals to indicate that mark 1 will be a new mark as described in NoR/SI 11.4.
- 10.4 The course diagrams are contained in NoR/SI Addendum A. They show the courses, the order in which marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.

### 11 MARKS

- 11.1 Marks will be yellow cylinders/spheres.
- 11.2 Marks S and SF will be red spheres.

### 12 CHECK IN

- 12.1 [DP][NP] Each boat shall sail by the race committee signal boat on Starboard tack and hail her sail number before a boat starts the first race in which she competes each day.

- 12.2 A boat failing to comply with the check in procedure shall receive, without a hearing, a 20% scoring penalty in the first race in which the boat competes, calculated in accordance with RRS 44.3(c). This changes RRS 63.1 and A5.

### 13 THE START

- 13.1 One-Design and single start-line PHRF races will be started by using RRS. (5 minute start sequences)
- 13.2 PHRF and Portsmouth Handicap pursuit starts will use the times posted within Appendix B.
- 13.3 The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal vessel and the course side of the starting mark.
- 13.4 [DP] Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other races.
- 13.5 The race committee intends to hail boats on the course side (OCS). A boat may not base a request for redress on failure of the race committee to hail any sail or hull numbers; failure of a boat to hear a hail; a boat's position in the sequence of hails; promptness of the hail. The changes RRS 62.1.

### 14 CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE

- 14.1 To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable.

### 15 THE FINISH

- 15.1 The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on the race committee vessel and the course side of the finishing mark.

### 16 TIME LIMITS

- 16.1 Time limit for each race will be posted on the official notice board and announced at the Skippers meeting.
- 16.2 Boats which have not finished and are still racing 30 minutes after the first boat in their class finishes will be recorded as "Time Limit Expired" (TLE) and will receive a score 2 points more than the number of finishers. This changes RRS 35, A5.1, A5.2 and A10.

### 17 PENALTY SYSTEM

- 17.1 RRS/US Appendix V2, Post-Race Penalties, applies.

### 18 HEARING REQUESTS

- 18.1 The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the race committee signal vessel docks. The time will be posted on the official notice board.
- 18.2 Hearing request forms are available at the race office. Protests and requests for redress or reopening shall be delivered to the race office in person (see NoR/SI 2.1) within the appropriate time limit.
- 18.3 Notices will be posted no later than 30 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses and where and when the hearings will be held.

### 19 SCORING

- 19.1 A boat's series score shall be the total of her race scores.

### 20 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- 20.1 [DP] A boat that retires from a race or leaves the racing area prior to the end of racing shall notify the race committee as soon as practicable. If it is not practicable to notify the race committee on the water, notification shall be on shore as soon as possible. The race committee can be notified by contacting any race committee boat verbally or by radio (see NoR/SI 2.6).
- 20.2 [DP] All boats shall have available an appropriate line, not less than 25 feet long, which can be used for towing.
- 20.3 [DP] Appropriate protective clothing shall be worn by competitors from 15 November through 15 March and any time that the water temperature is below 60°F. Wetsuits or dry suits may be appropriate for this purpose, but skippers are solely responsible for the safety of their crew, their boat and themselves.
- 20.4 The race committee may carry out checks of safety equipment required in NoR/SI 20 or class rules.
- 20.5 A boat shall not exercise right of way, cross in proximity to, or interfere with reasonable transit of the race area by commercial ships, tugs, or barges. Boats must take evasive action well in advance of a potentially dangerous situation. The race committee or protest committee may protest a boat for this NoR/SI based on information received from any source. The protest time limit does not apply. This changes RRS 60.2, 60.3, and 61.3.

### 21 RISK

- 21.1 RRS 3 states: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that sailing is a potentially dangerous activity with inherent risks. These risks include strong winds and rough seas, sudden changes in weather, failure of equipment, boat handling errors, poor seamanship by other boats, loss of balance on an unstable platform and fatigue resulting in increased risk of injury. **Inherent in the sport of sailing is the risk of permanent, catastrophic injury or death by drowning, trauma, hypothermia, or other causes.**

### 22 PRIZES

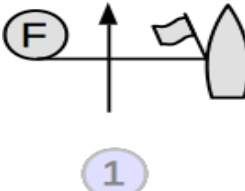
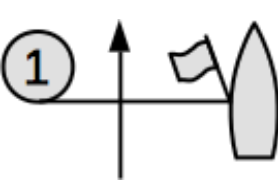
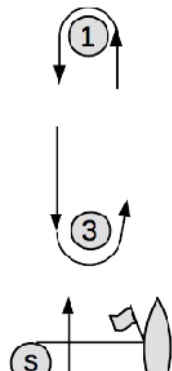
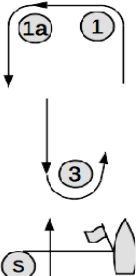
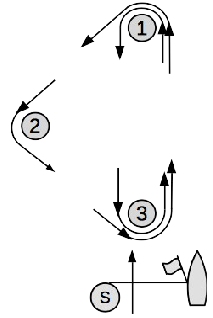
- 22.1 A prize may be awarded to the skipper placing first.
- 22.2 Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the organizing authority.

## NoR/SI Addendum A – COURSES

The following diagrams indicate the order, rounding side, approximate angles of the courses that may be sailed. In the below tables,

<b>DOWNWIND FINISHES</b>			
<p>The course designation is followed by a colon and then the mark rounding order for that course.</p>	Basic Finish	S Finish	F Finish
<p><b>L</b></p>	<p><b>L2:</b> Start/SF-1-3-1-Finish/SF</p> <p><b>L3:</b> Start/SF-1-3-1-3-1-Finish/SF</p>	<p><b>LS2:</b> Start/3-1-3-1-Finish/3</p> <p><b>LS3:</b> Start/3-1-3-1-3-1-Finish/3</p>	<p><b>LF2:</b> Start/S-1-3-1-Finish/F</p> <p><b>LF3:</b> Start/S-1-3-1-3-1-Finish/F</p>
<p><b>LA</b></p>	<p><b>LA2:</b> Start/SF-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/SF</p> <p><b>LA3:</b> Start/SF-1-1a-3-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/SF</p>	<p><b>LAS2:</b> Start/3-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/3</p> <p><b>LAS3:</b> Start/3-1-1a-3-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/3</p>	<p><b>LAF2:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/F</p> <p><b>LAF3:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-1-1a-3-1-1a-Finish/F</p>
<p><b>TL</b></p>	<p><b>TL2:</b> Start/SF-1-2-3-1-Finish/SF</p> <p><b>TL3:</b> Start/SF-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish/SF</p>	<p><b>TLS2:</b> Start/3-1-2-3-1-Finish/3</p> <p><b>TLS3:</b> Start/3-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish/3</p>	<p><b>TLF2:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-1-Finish/F</p> <p><b>TLF3:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-1-3-1-Finish/F</p>

# UPWIND FINISHES

<p>The course designation is followed by a colon and then the mark rounding order for that course.</p>	Basic Finish	S Finish	
			
<p><b>W</b></p> <p>Finish Area</p> 	<p><b>W2:</b> Start/S-1-3-Finish/F</p> <p><b>W3:</b> Start/S-1-3-1-3-Finish/F</p>	<p><b>WS2:</b> Start/S-1-3-Finish/1</p> <p><b>WS3:</b> Start/S-1-3-1-3-Finish/1</p>	
<p><b>WA</b></p> <p>Finish Area</p> 	<p><b>WA2:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-Finish/F</p> <p><b>WA3:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-1-1a-3-Finish/F</p>	<p><b>WAS2:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-Finish/1</p> <p><b>WAS3:</b> Start/S-1-1a-3-1-1a-3-Finish/1</p>	
<p><b>TW</b></p> <p>Finish Area</p> 	<p><b>TW2:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-Finish/F</p> <p><b>TW3:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-1-3-Finish/F</p>	<p><b>TWS2:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-Finish/1</p> <p><b>TWS3:</b> Start/S-1-2-3-1-3-Finish/1</p>	

NoR/SI Addendum B – Handicap Ratings and Start Times

**CYC PHRF Ratings and Start Times\***

BOAT	PHRF		Start Times	
	Spin	Non-Spin	Spin	Non-Spin
Beneteau 235	199	214	11:15:20	11:12:50
Cal 22	240	255	11:08:30	11:06:00
Capris 22	201	216	11:15:00	11:12:30
Capris 25	174	189	11:19:30	11:17:00
Catalina 22	270	285	11:03:30	11:01:00
Catalina 22 Wing Keel	275	299	11:02:40	10:58:40
Catalina 25	218	233	11:12:10	11:09:40
Columbia 5.5	168	183	11:20:30	11:18:10
Compac 19	282	297	11:01:30	10:59:00
Compac 23 IB	252	267	11:06:30	11:04:00
Ensign	270	285	11:03:30	11:01:00
Flying Scot	204	219	11:14:30	11:12:00
Gulfcoast 20	255	270	11:06:00	11:03:30
Gulfcoast 21-2	275	290	11:02:40	11:00:10
Holder 20	183	198	11:28:00	11:15:30
Hunter 220	225	240	11:11:00	11:08:30
Hunter 25.5	216	231	11:12:30	11:10:00
Hunter 31 (31-2)	183	198	11:18:00	11:15:30
Hunter 310	161	176	11:21:40	11:19:10
Impulse 21	180	195	11:18:30	11:16:00
J-29	111	132	11:30:00	11:26:30
MacGregor 26X	276	291	11:02:30	11:00:00
Pearson 25	238	253	11:08:50	11:06:20
Precision 23	231	246	11:10:00	11:07:30
Rhodes 22	276	291	11:02:30	11:00:00
S2 6.9	210	225	11:13:30	11:11:00
S2 7.9	168	182	11:20:30	11:18:10
Seaward 25	270	285	11:03:30	11:01:00
Soverel 260B	187	202	11:17:20	11:14:50
Soverign 24	262	276	11:04:50	11:02:30
Spirit 23	246	261	11:07:30	11:05:00
Starwind 22	270	285	11:03:30	11:01:00
Viper640	102	117	11:31:30	11:29:00

\*based upon an 11:00:00 a.m. race start.