



St. Petersburg Yacht Club



West Florida PHRF

2020 FALL BAY RACE/Ted Irwin Memorial

St. Petersburg Yacht Club

St. Petersburg Florida

October 10, 2020

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

This regatta will be governed by the *rules* as defined in the current *Racing Rules of Sailing*, and the current WFPHRF Class Rules. This is a WFPHRF Category 4 event. As allowed by RRS 88.2, the US Sailing prescriptions to RRS 60, 63.2, & 63.4 do not apply to these classes.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

The Official Notice Board will be the Electronic Notice Board located on the Yacht Scoring Website.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Electronic Notice board on the Yacht Scoring Website by 0800 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

Signals made ashore will be displayed on the St. Petersburg Yacht Club Flagpole.

5 SCHEDULES OF RACES

5.1 Saturday, October 10, 2020, one race is scheduled for the Non-Spinnaker, Racer/Cruisers and Cruisers classes. Three races or more are scheduled for Spinnaker and One Design.

5.2 The Warning signal for the first start on Saturday October 10, 2020 for the Non-Spinnaker, Racer/Cruiser and Cruiser classes will be 1100. The Warning signal for the first start on Saturday October 10, 2020 for the Spinnaker and One Design classes will be 1115.

5.3 One Race shall constitute a regatta.

5.4 If any class does not have 5 or more entries, starts may be combined.

6 CLASS FLAGS

The class flags will be colored squares. See 10.5 below.

7 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be east of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club Harbor Entrance.

8 COURSES

8.1 The courses for the Spinnaker and One Design classes will be as described in Diagram A.

8.2 The courses for the Non-Spinnaker, Racer/Cruiser, and Cruiser classes will be as described in Appendix B & C.

8.3 No later than the warning signal, the RC Signal boat will display the course and approximate compass bearing to the first mark.

9 MARKS

9.1 Marks 1 and 3 as shown in Diagram A will be large yellow tetrahedrons.

9.2 New marks as provided in instruction 11 (Change of Course) will be a large orange sphere.

9.3 The starting marks for all courses will be orange spheres. The finish mark for the Spinnaker and One Design classes will be orange spheres. The finish mark for Non-Spinnaker, Racer-Cruiser and Cruiser classes will be as described in Appendix B.

10 THE START

10.1 Starting signals will be in accordance with RRS 26.

10.2 The starting line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee signal boat and an orange sphere.

10.3 Boats shall check in before the warning signal for their class by passing the stern of the race committee signal boat for their class on a starboard tack. All boats shall give their boat name, sail number, class and division. Only the race committee may protest boats for not checking in properly. This changes RRS 60.1 & 60.3.

10.4 Boats whose starting signal has not been made shall stay clear of the starting area.

10.5 The starting order shall be:

<u>START</u>	<u>CLASS</u>	<u>FLAG</u>
First Start	Race/Cruiser	Yellow
Second Start	Non-Spinnaker	Purple
Third Start	Cruiser	Grey
First Start	Spinnaker/One-Design	White

11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE (for Spinnaker/One-design only)

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. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12 RECALLS

12.1 The race committee may, after the starting signal, hail the sail numbers of the OCS boats that have not complied with RRS 29.1 & 30.1 on VHF Channel 63. The delay of such a hail, the order of hail or failure of a competitor to hear such a hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).

12.2 If the race committee signals a general recall, the division that has been recalled shall start AFTER all other divisions have started. If more than one division has a general recall, then each recalled division shall restart in their respective starting position AFTER all other divisions have started. This changes RRS 29.2.

14 THE FINISH

The finishing line shall be between a staff displaying an orange flag on a race committee boat and a mark. For Spinnaker and One-Design see Diagram A. For all other classes see Appendix B.

15 ALTERNATIVE PENALTIES

Only the scoring penalty, RRS 44.3, (a), (b), and (c) will apply. Vessels will need to fill out the Alternative Acknowledgement Form provided on the Unofficial Bulletin Board at the St. Petersburg Yacht Club docks.

16 TIME LIMITS

16.1 Spinnaker & One Design boats failing to finish within 60 minutes after the first boat in its class that sails the course and finishes will be scored DNF without a hearing.

16.2 The Non-Spinnaker, Racer/Cruiser & Cruiser time limit to finish the race is 1600. Any vessel not finished by the time limit will be scored DNF without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, 63.1, A4.1 and A5.

17 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

17.1 Protest forms are available on Yacht Scoring under "General Race Forms" and on the unofficial notice board.

17.2 A boat intending to protest about an incident that occurs in the racing area shall notify the race committee

finish boat for her class of her intention at the finish line, including the sail number of the boat being protested. This changes RRS 61.

17.3 Protests shall be filled out and submitted by email to epennin09@earthlink.net within 6 hours of the Finish Boat Docking time.

17.4 All Parties involved with a protest will be notified as soon as possible of the location and time, and if it will be by zoom or in person.

18 SCORING

18.1 Corrected times for individual races will be calculated for the PHRF boats using the following WFPHRF ratings: The Random Leg Course Rating (RLC) will be used for the Non-Spinnaker, Racer/Cruiser and Cruiser classes. The BUOY rating will be used for the Spinnaker Class.

18.2 The Low Point System of Appendix A of the racing rules will apply, except that no score will be excluded.

19 COMMUNICATIONS

19.1 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 63 for **courtesy** communications from/to regatta participants. Nothing said over VHF Channel 63 for **courtesy** reasons shall be grounds for protests or redress.

19.2 A boat shall neither make radio transmissions while racing nor receive radio communications not available to all boats. This restriction also applies to cell phones. The only exception is SI 19.1.

19.3 The race committee will monitor VHF channel 63 and 16 after the start.

20 SAFETY

A boat that retires from a race shall notify the race committee signal boat for her class, as soon as possible on Channel 63 and/or 16. The Race Committee may protest a competitor who fails to notify the committee when retiring.

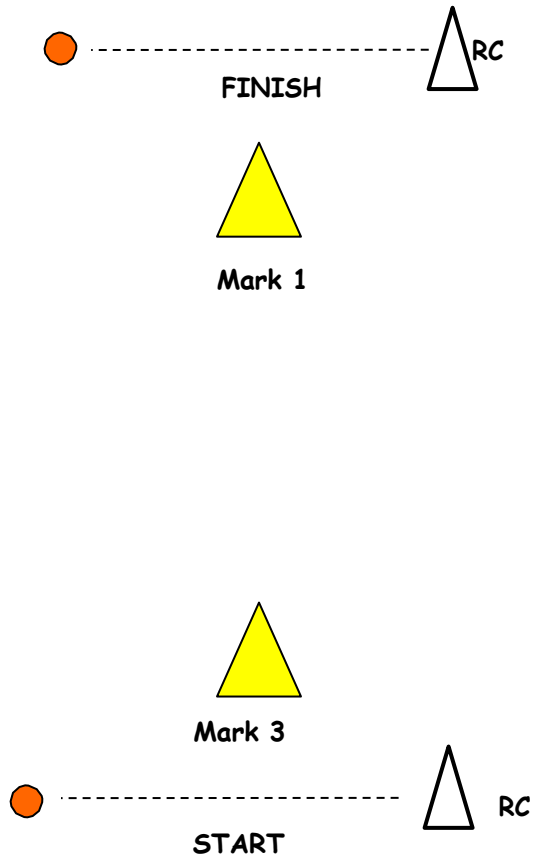
21 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY/PERSONAL CONDUCT

21.1 Competitors participate in this regatta at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority, the sponsors, the race committee, officers and board of directors of SPYC, and all those involved in these organizations will not accept any responsibility for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after this regatta.

21.2 The Skipper/Owner of each boat participating in the Regatta shall be responsible for the behavior of each member of crew on his/her boat, both on the water and while ashore. The failure of any of those persons to comply with all policies and restrictions of the St. Petersburg Yacht Club or with any reasonable request of the Organizing Authority or Race Officers, may result in disqualification of the boat and its exclusion from the Regatta. This modifies RRS 76.

Diagram A
Courses for Spinnaker and One Design

DIAGRAM (not to scale)



SPINNAKER Courses

COURSE A: Start - 1 - 3 - 1 - Finish at "START"

COURSE B: Start - 1 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - Finish at "START"

COURSE C: Start - 1 - 3 - 1 - 3 - 1 - Finish at "FINISH"

All Marks shall be left to port

APPENDIX B - MARKS and COURSES

The Starting Line will be in the vicinity of Marks "D/E".

The Finish line will at the Bayboro Harbor Entrance mark described as: FL (2+1) G6S 16ft 5M "S"

All mark positions and distances are approximate. See latest NOAA and Notice to Mariners for exact locations.

MARKS

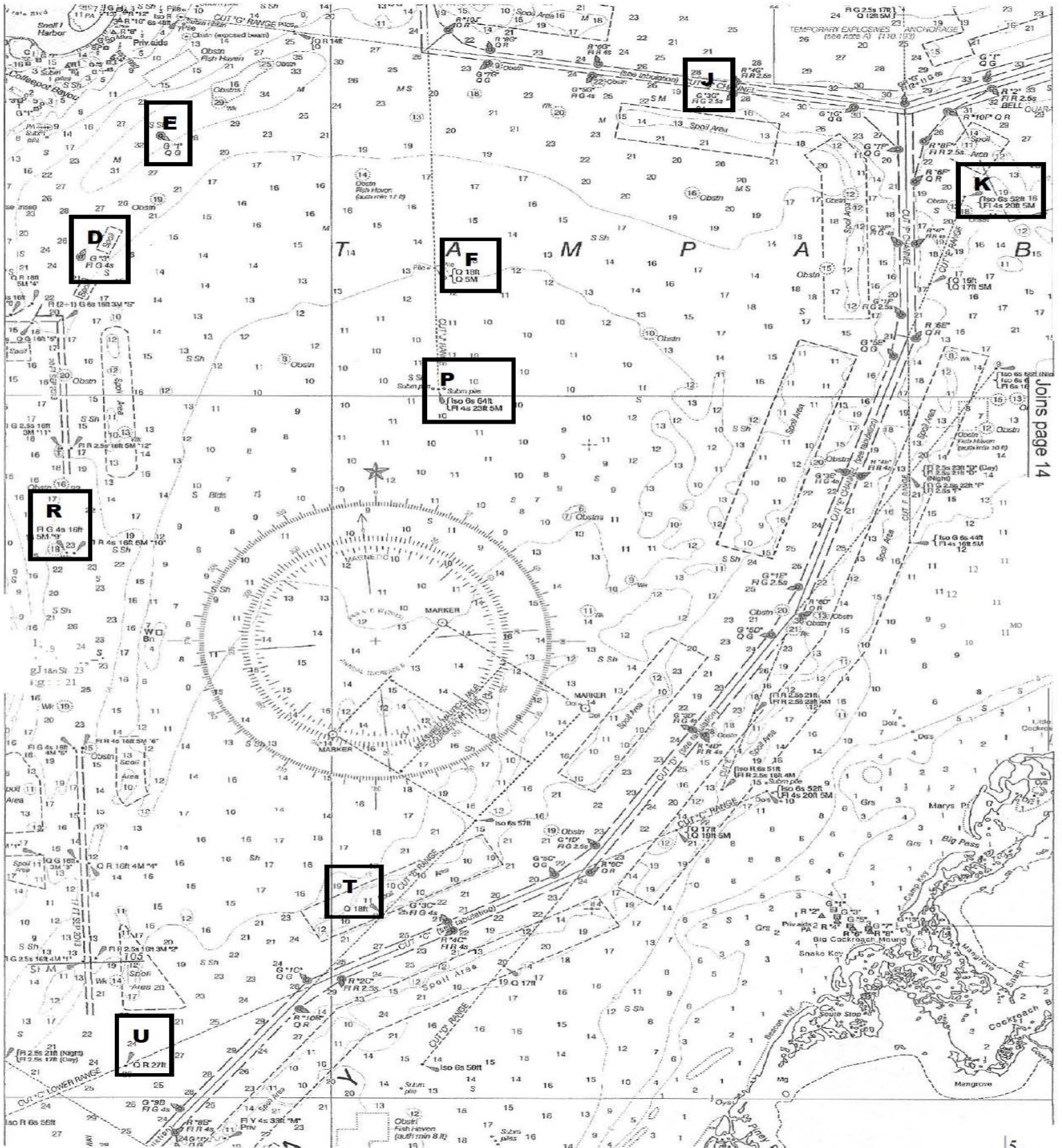
Mark "D"	G "3" Fl G 4s	1nm ESE of SPYC harbor entrance	27 46.0N	82 36.5W
Mark "E"	G "1" QG	1.2nm ENE of SPYC harbor entrance	27 46.8N	82 36.1W
Mark "F"	Q 10 ft Q5M	Front Range Cut J Channel	27 45.9N	82 34.3W
Mark "J"	G "3G" Fl G 2.5s	Cut G Channel	27 47.1N	82 32.5W
Mark "K"	Iso 6s 52ft Fl 4s 20ft 5m	Back Range Cut E Channel	27 46.3N	82 31.0W
Mark "P"	Iso 6s 50ft Fl 4s 5m "A" "B"	Back Range Cut J Channel	27 45.0N	82 34.3W
Mark "R"	Fl G4s 16ft 5M"9"	Pinellas Channel	27 43.9N	82 36.6W
Mark "T"	Q 18 ft	Front Range Cut B Channel	27 41.3N	82 34.7W
Mark "U"	QR 27 ft	Lower Range Cut C Channel	27 40.2N	82 36.3W

COURSE	MARKS TO BE ROUNDED	SIDE TO BE ROUNDED ON	APPROX. DISTANCE
#1	START-J-E-P-FINISH	PORT Except: P round to starboard	10.2NM
#2	START-K-E-P-FINISHES	PORT Except: P round to starboard	12.4NM
#3	START-F-K-E-P-FINISHES	PORT Except: P round to starboard	11.9NM
#4	START-F-K-E-P-K-FINISH	PORT	17.2NM
#5	START-F-K-E-T-P-FINISH	PORT	21.4NM
#6	START-F-J-E-T-FINISH	PORT	15.3NM
#7	START-F-K-T-R-FINISH	STDB	14.5NM
#8	START-F-K-R-FINISH	STDB	10.9NM
#9	START-F-T-FINISH	STDB	11.4NM
#10	START-F-T-U-FINISH	STDB	14.1NM
#11	START-K-T-U-FINISH	STDB	15.9NM
#12	START-F-P-T-U-D-F-FINISH	STDB	18.5NM
#13	START-F-P-T-U-D-F-D-F-FINISH	STDB	21.9NM
#14	START-K-T-U-D-F-FINISH	STDB	22.5NM
#15	START-F-P-T-U-R-P-R-FINISH	STDB	18.8NM
#16	START-K-T-U-R-P-R-FINISH	STDB	23.2NM
#17	START-F-T-U-R-FINISH	STDB	14.1NM

See approximate mark locations on Chart below:

Appendix C

Chart for Approximate Location of Marks



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