

# CMCS Sailing Instructions 2021



## Naples to Ft. Myers Beach Offshore Race

February 27, 2021 at 10:00 am

### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The Regatta is governed by the rules as defined in the current Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS). Applicable class rules are those of the West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Federation (WFPHRF).
- 1.2 Any changes to the Notice of Race and/or these Sailing Instructions will be posted on the yachtscoring.com website (<https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13236>) no later than 24 hours before the race.
- 1.3 There may be emails sent out prior to the race start to notify skippers of changes and validate the scratch sheet including division entered, contact info, and WFPHRF.

### 2. Classes and Ratings

- 2.1 This race will have three classes as governed by the WFPHRF - Spinnaker, Non-Spinnaker, and True Cruising. A minimum of three boats is needed to constitute a class for purposes of the BOTY scoring.
- 2.2 There will be a single start for all classes at 10:00 am.
- 2.3 To remind all, there may be a horn signal one minute prior to the five-minute count down starts (six minutes before first start). All starts will be synchronized to GPS times starting on a minute. The countdown sequence will have a horn at 5:00, then 4:00, then 1:00 then start!
- 2.4 All horns and communication will be broadcast over the radio on channel 72
- 2.5 Ratings for this race will be the WFPHRF rating for Buoy races.  
NOTE: If a boat does not have a valid WFPHRF, the rear commodore of racing will assign a rating. This rating will not be subject to address.

### 3. Entry and Fees

- 3.1 Register for this race <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13236>. The cost is \$30.00. Because of COVID concerns there will be no official after-race party.
- 3.2 All participants including participants who have already paid for the BOTY series must register using the <https://yachtscoring.com/emenu.cfm?eID=13236> site. This is to get you on the scratch sheet.

### 4. Course

- 4.1 The starting line will be between the orange flag on the pier and the tomato to the west of the pier at: 26-7.880N 81-48.647.
- 4.2 Craig Spicer will execute a single start for all classes at 10:00 with a first warning at 9:55. Craig will monitor and give instructions on VHF Channel 72 (Cell 609-226-4310).
- 4.3 Please stay clear of the fisherman at the pier.
- 4.4 The finish is between the #3 and #4 channel (26 27.11N 81 58.66W) markers north of the "SC" mark. The "SC" mark is NOT a mark of the course.
- 4.5 Racers are to report their finish times via VHF 72 to:

Scott Milligan "Pepper" ([sbmill384@gmail.com](mailto:sbmill384@gmail.com), 863-228-1159)

### 5. Check In

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**5.1** All boats are to check-in by passing the stern of the RC Signals Boat on starboard tack, hailing the boat's name, class entered, sail number, and the number of persons on board. Check in will start approximately 30 minutes prior to the first warning signal.

## **6. Races, Time Limits, Finishing**

- 6.1** Over early (OCS) violations will be called by the committee boat. They will attempt to notify but failing to hear the notification is not grounds for redress.
- 6.2** A boat that withdraws should contact the committee boat with its intentions.
- 6.3** There is no time limit for this race.

## **7. Radio Communication**

- 7.1** All boats must be equipped with a working VHF radio, either fixed or handheld capable of receiving and sending on VHF channels 16 and 72. The Race committee will monitor and broadcast information on channel 72.
- 7.2** All boats are strongly encouraged to carry a cell phone.

## **8. Penalties, Protests and Request for Redress**

- 8.1** It is expected that skipper know the rules of racing, but it is also expected that this is fun club racing. Any time a boat has clearly created an infraction it is generally expected that they will take a penalty turn at the earliest safe time and proceed.
- 8.2** A boat intending to protest or request redress shall notify the RC by hailing or by VHF after the finish, but before leaving the racing area.

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