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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS



These are the Master Sailing Instructions (Master SIs) for races run by the Southern Ocean Racing Conference in the 2021-2022 season, including the Nassau Cup Race,

Lauderdale to Key West Race, Port Canaveral Race, and Sailors' Choice Race. Each race also has Supplemental Sailing Instructions (Supplemental SIs) that, together with these Master SIs, comprise that event's Sailing Instructions required by RRS 90.2(a).

1 RULES

- 1.1 Each Race will be governed by the Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 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).
- 1.3 The U.S. Sailing Safety Equipment Regulations will apply as modified by each race's NOR and SIs.
- 1.5 Anchors shall not be stowed on or protruding from the bow area of the boat except only anchors that may be stowed in a bow locker or on deck in chocks, provided that no portion of the anchor or anchor rode extends beyond the edge of the deck.
- 1.6 Except for the rules of RRS Parts 2 and 3, the jury may impose an alternate penalty less than DSQ for breaking a rule, in accordance with RRS 64.2.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

The Official Notice Board and locations of signals ashore will be indicated in each race's Supplemental SIs.

<u>Useful Web sites</u>	
SORC Web Site	www.sorcsailing.org
U.S. Sailing	www.ussailing.org
ORC Ratings	www.orc.org
PHRF of SE Florida	www.phrfsef.com
MOCRA	www.mocra-sailing.org.uk
MOCRA Ratings	sites.google.com/site/mocrarating

3 RADIO MONITOR

- 3.1 The Race Committee will monitor the designated VHF race channel from one hour prior to the first start until one hour after the last start. All competitors should then monitor VHF Channel 16 for the duration of the race.
- 3.2 The Race Committee will monitor the designated VHF channel while boats are finishing.

4 START

- 4.1 The starting area, start line, and start times will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.
- 4.2 Starting signals shall be made in accordance with rule 26, with classes starting at five (5) minute intervals. The Starting signal for each class shall be the Warning signal for the next class.

5 RECALLS

- 5.1 If a boat is identified on the course side of the starting line at the starting signal, the race committee will attempt to broadcast the sail number on the starting VHF channel. Failure to make a broadcast or to time it accurately will not be grounds for a request for redress. This changes RRS 62.1(a).
- 5.2 In the event of a General Recall, the start of the last scheduled class shall be the warning signal for the new start of the recalled class. If more than one General Recall is signalled, each recalled class will restart after the class recalled before it. This changes RRS 29.2.
- 5.3 A boat failing to comply with RRS 29.1 (Individual Recall) need not return to the pre-start side of the line but shall have a penalty of 30 minutes added to her elapsed time.

6 COURSE

Each course is described in the Supplemental SIs for each race.

7 FINISH

- 7.1 The finish line and finishing procedures will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

8 TIME LIMIT AND RETIREMENT

- 8.1 The time limit for each race will be described in its Supplemental SIs.
- 8.2 A boat retiring from the race shall notify the Race Committee as soon as reasonably possible. Official race results will not be posted until all boats have been accounted for.

9 SCORING

Appendix A, using the "Low Point" scoring system of the rules shall be in effect. The course distance of the Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race is established at 160 nautical miles for scoring purposes. Scoring procedures for each class are described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

10 TRACKING

Tracking will be used for public viewing and media purposes. Information from the tracking system shall not be used as a basis for a protest or request for redress. This changes RRS 60.1 and 60.2.

11 PROTESTS

Protest procedures and time limits will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

12 AWARDS

Awards parties and locations will be described in each race's Supplemental SIs.

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LAUDERDALE - KEY WEST RACE

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

(Supplemental)



This document, combined with the SORC Master Sailing Instructions, comprises the Sailing Instructions for the Lauderdale to Key West Race. Numbered sections in this document are supplements to, not replacements for, equivalently numbered sections in the Master SIs unless otherwise indicated.

1 RULES

- 1.6 The personal AIS Beacon requirement in section 3.1 of the 2020 Multihull SER is waived for this race, though competitors are encouraged to avail themselves of this invaluable device.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS & SKIPPERS MEETING

- 2.1 The [Official Notice Board](#) will be on the event's Yachtscore.com web page accessible from www.keywestrace.org. No signals will be made ashore.
- 2.2 **[Amend 1]** The Race Headquarters will be The Waterfront Brewery located at 201 William St, Key West. It will be open on Thursday from 1100 to 1500, and on Friday from 1100 am to 1400 pm.
- 2.3 Any change to the Sailing Instructions will be posted before 1700 on January 4.
- 2.4 The Skippers Meeting will be held at 1800 hrs on January 4 at the Lauderdale Yacht Club.

3 RADIO MONITOR

- 3.1 The designated race channel for the start and finish is VHF 68.

4 START

- 4.1 The Starting Line shall be approximately one half mile south of the Port Everglades harbor entrance and approximately one mile offshore, between an inflatable race mark and a staff displaying an orange flag on the Race Committee Signal boat.
- 4.3 The first Warning signal is scheduled to be made at 1000 hours on Wednesday, January 5.
- 4.4 Class Signals and start times will be announced in an addendum to the Sailing Instructions prior to the Skippers Meeting.
- 4.5 Routine movement of an autonomous mark that may be used for the starting pin will not be grounds for redress, including if returning to station after having been pushed away by a competitor. Rule 31 still applies.

6 COURSE

- 6.1 The course shall be from the starting line, south to the Miami Sea Buoy (“RW Mo (A) Whistle”) leaving it to starboard; then to the Key West Sea Buoy (“RW Mo(A)”) located south of Key West, leaving the following marks and a continuous line connecting them to starboard. The continuous line is not always indicative of the boundary of safe water for navigation, and does not include the course from the Key West Sea Buoy to the Finish:

1. Fowey Rocks Light	8. Davis Reef “14”	15. Looe Key “24”
2. Triumph Reef point, no mark N25°28.60 & W80°06.60	9. Crocker Reef point, no mark N24°54.49 & W80°31.48	16. American Shoal Light
3. Pacific Reef Light	10. Alligator Reef Light	17. Pelican Shoal “26”
4. Carysfort Reef Light	11. Tennessee Reef Light	18. Eastern Sambo point, no mark N24°29.35 & W81°40.00
5. The Elbow “6”	12. Coffins Patch point, no mark N24°40.50 & W80°57.40	19. Stock Island “32”
6. Molasses Reef “10”	13. Sombrero Key Light	20. Key West Entrance Buoy “KW”
7. Conch Reef point, no mark N24°57.00 & W80°27.40	14. Big Pine Shoal “22”	

Several lights may have different characteristics from what older charts show, and one is due to be discontinued.

- 6.2 Competitors shall consult the Local Notice to Mariners ([link here](#)) for the latest updates on the status of the marks. The charted position of any missing mark shall be observed as that mark.

7 FINISH

- 7.1 The finish line shall be between marks "Gr 21, day mark" and "Gr 23, Fl Gr 4s" west of Mallory Square in Key West.
- 7.2 Each boat shall take a photo of its exact GPS position at the time of finish and send this with the boat's name via text message to the Race Committee at 954-695-7168 as soon as reasonably possible after finishing. If known, the names of the boats finishing immediately before or after the finisher should be included.

8 TIME LIMIT AND RETIREMENT

- 8.1 The time limit for the race is 48 hours.
- 8.2 A boat retiring shall contact the Race Committee by calling 954-881-3094 as soon as reasonably possible after the decision to retire.

9 SCORING

- 9.1 ORC scoring will use either Time-on-Time simple scoring ratings or Time-on-Time ratings based on an appropriate custom course model announced at the Skipper's Meeting. The RC may also post a Time Allowance sheet based on these ratings on the Official Notice Board before the start of the race. Use of this Time Allowance sheet is for guidance only and does not replace the official results. For ORC scoring, each boat's ORC certificate valid as of December 31, 2021, will be used for scoring purposes. Any boat that did not have a certificate at this time may use one generated by ORC using the 2021 formula.
- 9.2 PHRF Time Allowances shall be calculated using the 2021 PHRF of Southeast Florida handicap rating and the rated course distance. The rated course distance is 160 nm.
- 9.3 For the Multihull division, the boat's appropriate MOCRA rating will be applied as a factor of the elapsed time of its race.
- 9.4 For the Racer/Cruiser division, the rating shall be calculated using the boat's appropriate ORR-EZ rating applied as a factor of the elapsed time of the race.

11 PROTESTS

- 11.1 Protests may be submitted online through the event's Yachtscoring web page accessed through www.keywestrace.org. Alternatively, completed forms can be e-mailed to bobmeagher3@gmail.com or delivered to the Race Headquarters during operating hours, where blank forms will also be available.
- 11.2 The protest time limit is two hours after her finishing time for a boat finishing between 0900 and 1600 hrs, or for a boat finishing after 1600 hrs, 1100 hrs the following day.
- 11.3 Protest hearings will be scheduled upon receipt of protests, listed on the [Official Notice Board](#) upon receipt, and will be held no later than 1200 hrs. on Friday, January 7, unless the protest committee posts a change to the hearing schedule on the [Official Notice Board](#) by that time.

12 AWARDS

- 12.1 **[Amend 2]** The Awards Presentation will be held at the Southernmost Beach Resort, 1319 Duval Street, Key West, 33040 (305-296-6577), on January 7 from 1630 to 1830.
- 12.2 Wristbands will be required for entry to the party & awards presentation. Wristbands can be purchased at the Skipper's Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale for \$35.00 each or purchased in Key West at the Race Headquarters or at the entrance to the Awards Party for \$40.00 each.

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