

49th ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK

GUADELOUPE TO ANTIGUA RACE FRIDAY, APRIL 22, 2016

NOTICE OF RACE

Antigua Yacht Club and the Antigua Sailing Week Committee invite you to compete in the Guadeloupe to Antigua Race. The Organising Authority is the Antigua Sailing Week Committee affiliated with the Antigua Sailing Association. The Race Headquarters will be located at Antigua Yacht Club, Falmouth Harbour, Antigua.

1. RULES

- 1.1 The Race will be governed by the Rules as defined in the *World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 2016* ('RRS').
- 1.2 The Race will also be governed by:
 - (a) for boats in CSA Classes, the CSA Rating Rule;
 - (b) for boats in Bareboat Classes, the Requirements for Bareboat Class;
 - (c) for multihulls, the CSA Multihull Rating Rule;
 - (d) for classic boats, the CSA Classic Rating Rule;
 - (e) for all boats, the ASW Minimum Safety Rules.
- 1.3 RRS 55, Trash Disposal, is changed by adding the following sentence: 'However, discarding biodegradable, environmentally friendly bands when setting a sail is permitted.'
- 1.4 For Multihull classes only, ASW Minimum Safety Rule #2 with respect to lifelines will not apply.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

- 2.1 The Race will be held for the following classes which may be subdivided:
 - (a) CSA Monohull;
 - (b) CSA Bareboat;
 - (c) CSA Multihull; and
 - (d) CSA Classic.

- 2.2 All boats are encouraged to enter online at www.sailingweek.com by 5 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016, however last-minute entries will be accepted at Registration in Deshaies, Guadeloupe at a location to be announced.
- 2.3 The Organising Authority reserves the right to amalgamate, cancel, divide, subdivide or rearrange classes at its sole discretion.
- 2.4 All entries shall declare their sail configuration at Registration by no later than 7:30 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016.
- 2.5 All boats shall have a minimum of two (2) crew at all times during racing.

3. FEES

- For all classes the entry fee will be US \$50 for boats up to and including 50 feet in length. For all other boats, the entry fee will be US \$1 per foot of length overall.
- 3.2 All boats are encouraged to pay their entry fee online at https://www.sailingweek.com/v4/entry-fee/ by 5 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016 but payment for last-minute entries will also be accepted at Registration in cash only.

4. REGISTRATION AND SKIPPERS' BRIEFING

- 4.1 Registration and a Skippers' Briefing will take place at a location to be announced in Deshaies, Guadeloupe from 6 to 8 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016.
- 4.2 For safety reasons, the representative entering each boat is requested to provide a list of names and contact information for each member of the boat's crew.

5. IDENTIFICATION

All boats are requested to register their sail numbers for identification purposes. Boats may be provided with class flags to be flown from the backstay or other prominent place on the boat for purposes of identifying them as participants at the finish line.

6. SCHEDULE

- 6.1 For all classes, the Race will take place on Friday, April 22, 2016.
- 6.2 The warning signal for all classes will not be before 8:50 am.
- 6.3 The time limit to finish the race is 5:30 pm.

7. MEASUREMENT AND RATINGS

- 7.1 All multihull entries must contact a CSA measurer via www.caribbean-sailing.com
 to arrange for measurement and to obtain a rating certificate. Multihull ratings
 must be assigned by no later than 5:00 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016. All
 information submitted is subject to verification by the multihull measurer.
- 7.2 Classic boats will be given a CSA Classic Rating with the exception of Spirit of Tradition boats which must have a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA Rating certificate.
- 7.3 Boats in the Bareboat Class shall have a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA Bareboat Rating certificate.

7.4 All other boats shall have a valid 2016 digitally-certified CSA Rating certificate.

8. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

8.1 Sailing Instructions will be available at Registration and online at www.sailingweek.com prior to Registration.

9. COURSE

9.1 The course will be from north of Deshaies, Guadeloupe to south of English Harbour, Antigua.

10. PROTEST COMMITTEE AND PENALTIES

10.1 The penalty, if any, for breaches of the RRS other than Parts 1 and 2 shall be at the sole discretion of the International Jury. This changes RRS 44.3(c), RRS 64.1 and RRS A4.2.

11. CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION CLEARANCE

11.1 All boats are advised that Customs and Immigration clearance is mandatory into and out of Antigua and Guadeloupe. In Guadeloupe clearance can be done at The Pelican cyber café on the main road in the village of Deshaies, open from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 4 pm to 7 pm on Thursday, April 21, 2016. For clearance into and out of Antigua, the eSeaClear online advance clearance system can be accessed here: https://www.eseaclear.com/home/index.cfm.

12. INSURANCE

12.1 Boats are strongly advised to hold Third Party Liability Insurance valid for the duration of the Race.

13. MEDIA RIGHTS

13.1 By participating in this event, competitors grant to the Organising Authority and the event sponsors the right, in perpetuity, to make, use, and show, at their discretion, any photography, audio, and video recordings, and other production of them and/or their boat made at the venue or on the water from the time of their arrival at the venue until their final departure, without compensation.

14. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

- 14.1 Competitors participating in the Guadeloupe to Antigua Race do so entirely at their own risk (see RRS 4, Decision to Race). The Organising Authority 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.
- 14.2 Entrants shall draw the attention of their crew to this disclaimer at the start of racing.

15. FURTHER INFORMATION

- 15.1 The governing documents referred to in Section 1, Rules, can be found as follows:
 - (a) World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2013 2016 www.sailing.org;
 - (b) CSA Rating Rule www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (c) Requirements for Bareboat Class www.sailingweek.com;
 - (d) CSA Multihull Rating Rule www.caribbean-sailing.com;
 - (e) ASW Minimum Safety Rules www.sailingweek.com.
- 15.2 Information about the Caribbean Sailing Association, the CSA Rating Rules and CSA Measurers is available at: www.caribbean-sailing.com.
- 15.3 For further information see: www.sailingweek.com or contact roc@sailingweek.com.
- 15.4 To enter the Guadeloupe to Antigua Race go to www.sailingweek.com and click on 'Enter'.