

2021-22 NOTICE OF RACE

RACES



This document, combined with each respective event's Supplemental Notice of Race, comprises that event's Notice of Race required by RRS 89.2(a).



1 RULES

- 1.1 The Southern Ocean Racing Conference is the Race Committee for each race, which is organized under the authority of one or more member yacht clubs, including the Coral Reef Yacht Club, the Lauderdale Yacht Club, the Storm Trysail Club, and the Nassau Yacht Club.
- 1.2 Each race will be governed by the rules defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (Rules, RRS) including the class rules of the respective classes involved.
- 1.3 Each race and related activities will be run in accordance with health and safety regulations of any governmental authority with jurisdiction.
- 1.4 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).
- 1.5 For each event, the terms "Notice of Race" (NOR) and "Sailing Instructions" (SI) required by RRS 89.2(a) and 90.2(a) respectively include the Master and Supplemental versions of those documents, as well as any amendments thereto.
- 1.6 In case of conflict between the NOR and the Sailing Instructions (SIs), the SIs shall prevail. (This changes rule 63.7.)
- 1.7 A boat may carry one more spinnaker than shown on her current rating certificate of area not greater than rated SPA without an increase in rating.
- 1.8 Advertising shall be per ISAF Regulation 20.

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2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 Each race is open to ocean racing/cruising monohull and multihull boats of the following classes whose owner is a member of his/her national authority and who comply with the requirements of the following classes:

Useful Web sites

SORC Web Site	www.sorcsailing.org
U.S. Sailing	www.ussailing.org
ORC Ratings	www.ussailing.org
PHRF of SE Florida	www.phrfsef.com

PARTNERS



- 2.1.1 *[Amend 2]* Offshore Racing Congress (ORC), boats with an offshore long distance Time on Time rating factor of 0.880 and higher.
- 2.1.2 Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (PHRF), boats with rating of 189 or lower from PHRF of Southeast Florida

- 2.1.3 Doublehanded boats meeting the listed safety requirements.
- 2.1.4 Multihull Offshore Cruising and Racing Association (MOCRA) boats of ocean racing/cruising type with enclosed cabins, and permanent accommodations. The Race Committee reserves the right to reject any entry that does not comply with its definition of an "ocean racing/cruising type" Multihull boat.
- 2.1.5 East Coast Racer Cruiser Association (ECRCA) boats meeting ECRCA requirements. Performance Cruiser, Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker classes may be offered.
- 2.2 Prior to the Early Entry Deadline, the race committee may create a new class when five or more boats so request, or reassign registered boats to other classes if at least five boats have not registered.
- 2.3 **[Amend 2]** Boats must meet at least one of the following to be eligible:
 - 2.3.1 Has a minimum Stability Index of 103.
 - 2.3.2 Is a true sister ship of a boat in the US Sailing IMS Master File with a Stability Factor of at least 103.
 - 2.3.3 Meets the requirements of ISO 12217-2B.

3 CREW LIMITS

- 3.1 Crew Limits for the following classes are:
 - 3.1.1 ORC: Crew weight limits are shown on rating certificates. To change the weight limit from the default value, contact the national rating authority for a certificate issued with the declared weight limit.
 - 3.1.2 PHRF: crew limits shall be as listed on their current valid certificate, plus one.
 - 3.1.3 Offshore One Design Classes: class limit plus one.
- 3.2 Except for Doublehanded classes, all boats shall carry a minimum crew of 4 (four). Each race may allow lower limits in its Supplemental NOR.

4 ENTRY

- 4.1 Boats may enter a race registering on the race web site www.sorcsailing.org.
- 4.2 Entry Deadlines are described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 4.3 Each boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance with a minimum coverage of \$500,000 USD or the equivalent.
- 4.4 A boat shall submit her final rating certificate no later than the Entry Deadline. Ratings and preliminary class assignments will be posted on each race's web site and Official Notice Board prior to the Skippers Meeting.

5 ENTRY FEES

- 5.1 Entry Fees will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 5.2 Entry Fees are fully refundable until each race's Entry Deadline, which has been extended to the latest date possible for the effective organization of each race.

6 SCHEDULE

Nassau Cup Ocean Race	November 11, 2021
[Amend 1] Fort Lauderdale to Key West Race	January 5, 2022
[Amend 3] Port Canaveral Race	February 17, 2022
Sailors' Choice Race	March 18, 2022

Note: SORC serves as the Race Committee for the Wirth Munroe (Palm Beach) Race on December 3, 2021, but this event has a separate OA with separate race documents.

7 COURSES

Courses will be summarized in each race's Supplemental NOR and described in its SIs.

8 SAFETY

- 8.1 Each race's Supplemental NOR contains important safety rules.
- 8.2 Each boat shall have non-electronic charts that are appropriate for the race area.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may inspect any boat for compliance with this section without prior warning before the start or after the finish.

9 AWARDS PARTY

Locations and details for awards parties will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.

10 SCORING AND TIME ALLOWANCES

- 10.1 The Low Point Scoring System as described in Appendix "A" will be used.
- 10.2 The course distance for rating purposes will be described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 10.3 PHRF Scoring details for each class are described in each race's Supplemental NOR.
- 10.4 For all other classes, a boat's rating allowance will be applied as a factor of the elapsed time of its race.

11 RACE TRACKING DEVICES

- 11.1 In addition to any other device required in each race's Safety Regulations, each boat shall be equipped with an active SPOT or Garmin/InReach position transponder, be subscribed to the "Track Progress" option offered by SPOT or Garmin/InReach, and to provide the Race Committee with the "shared URL" for the purpose of inclusion in the official race tracking program.
- 11.2 The tracking unit shall be mounted and operated throughout the race in accordance with the instructions provided. Only the race committee may protest a boat for an alleged violation of this section.
- 11.3 SPOT or Garmin/InReach tracking data may not be used as grounds for a protest.

12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions for each race shall be posted no later than one week prior to the start of the race.
- 12.2 Amendments to the Sailing Instructions will be accompanied by Code Flag "L" at the Skipper Meeting venue and posted to the Official Notice Board.

13 SKIPPERS MEETING

- 13.1 A representative of each boat shall attend the Skippers Meeting for each race
- 13.2 Each boat shall be required to complete and submit to the Race Committee at the Skippers Meeting an accurate crew list, required waiver(s) and equipment declaration form in exchange for their race packet.

14 PRIZES

Prizes will be given as follows: 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place finishers in each division/class, provided at least five entries per division/class. Additional prizes may be awarded.

15 OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

While racing, boats may not receive weather, current, or navigational information except from published sources available to all competitors. Subscription, password protected or restricted access web pages, as well as phone conversations and text messages that contain any of the above information, are not allowed. Accessing other information during the race will be considered a violation of RRS 41.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Sailing is an activity that has an inherent risk of damage and injury. Competitors in this event, including skippers and crew, are participating entirely at their own risk. (See Rule 3, Decision to Race). The Organizing Authority and Race Committee, sponsors, or any other organization or official 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.

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SORC SAILOR'S CHOICE RACE

NOTICE OF RACE (SUPPLEMENTAL)



This document, combined with the SORC Master Notice of Race and Series, comprises the Notice of Race for the SORC Sailor's Choice Race. Numbered sections in this document are supplements to, not replacements for, equivalently numbered sections in the Master NOR.

The race is scheduled to start at 1000 hrs, March 18, 2022, approximately 1.0 nm south of the Port Everglades harbor entrance and finish at Port Everglades.

1 RULES

1.1 The Southern Ocean Racing Conference (SORC) is the Organizing Authority for the event.

2 ELIGIBILITY

2.1.6 Class 40 boats are included as a class.
2.4 Boats must have a minimum LOA of 30 feet.

3 CREW LIMITS

3.2 Class 40 boats must have a minimum of two crew.
3.3 Crew weight limits for ORC-rated boats may be declared from default values by contacting your national rating office and having a certificate issued with the correct declared crew weight

4 ENTRY

4.2 The Entry Deadline is Thursday, March 10, 2022.
4.4 Ratings and preliminary class assignments for all classes except the ECRCA shall be posted by 1800 hrs Friday, March 11, and remain posted until 2000 hrs Thursday, March 17, at which time they will stand for the race.
4.6 Entries may be completed online at the event's Yachtscoring page accessible through sorcsailing.org.

5 ENTRY FEES

5.1 The Entry Fee is \$375. The Early Entry Fee is \$275.

6 SCHEDULE

Entry Deadline	March 10, 2022		
Sailing Instructions Posted	March 12		
Skippers Meeting	March 17	1900 hrs	Lauderdale Yacht Club
First Warning Signal	March 18	1000 hrs	Start line
Awards Party	March 19	1800 hrs	Lauderdale Yacht Club

7 COURSE

After the start, the marks of the course will be Great Isaac, a virtual mark west of North Cat Cay, the Miami Sea Buoy, then the finish (approximately 150 miles). After starting and before finishing, boats may round the marks of the course in a clockwise or counter-clockwise direction.

8 SAFETY

- 8.1 All boats must conform to the current US Sailing Safety Equipment Requirements (SER) for Ocean Racing with the following changes or additions:
- 8.1.1 Engine and Fuel (SER 2.7.1): SER 2.7.1 is amended as follows:
A boat shall have a mechanical propulsion system that is quickly available and capable of driving the boat at a minimum speed in knots equivalent to the square root of LWL in feet (1.81 times the square root of the waterline in meters) with sufficient fuel to provide range under power for 75 miles.
 - 8.1.2 Operative VHF/FM transceiver with Channels 9, 16, 68, 71 and 72. (DSC and GMDSS equipped and MMSI registered VHF radios are required per SER 3.8.1 and 3.8.2.)
 - 8.1.3 An operational AIS Transponder shall be carried and be switched on, such that it is receiving and transmitting throughout the race. The failure of any station to receive a signal from a boat's AIS Transponder shall not be subject to protest or grounds for redress (amends RRS 60.1 and 62.1(a) and RRS 63.1 shall not apply).
 - 8.1.4 Life raft need not have a canopy or insulated floor
 - 8.1.5 While personal AIS beacons are not yet required by the SER, competitors are strongly encouraged to avail themselves of this invaluable device.
 - 8.1.7 The following additional safety requirements apply to Doublehanded classes.
 - 8.1.7.1 The VHF/FM transceiver required by SNOR 8.1.2 shall be switched on and accessible from the cockpit at all times while afloat.
 - 8.1.7.2 SER 3.16.2 is changed to require that each crew shall wear a personal locator beacon at all times while afloat. SER 3.16.2 is also changed to allow the substitution of the specified EPIRB beacon with a Personal AIS MOB beacon.
 - 8.1.7.3 As required by SER 4.3.2, each crew member shall have taken a US Sailing Safety at Sea course within the last 5 years. This requirement may be met by taking the US Sailing Online Coastal Safety at Sea Course (<https://www.ussailing.org/education/adult/safetyat-sea-courses/>).
 - 8.1.7.4 RRS 40 is changed to require competitors to wear personal flotation devices with harness at all times while afloat except briefly while adjusting clothing or equipment. The display of flag Y is not required.
 - 8.1.7.5 Each boat shall have a permanently mounted magnetic compass independent of the boat's electrical system suitable for steering at sea (this changes SER 3.19.1).
 - 8.1.7.6 The mainsail shall have reef points capable of reducing at least 20% of the sail's area.
- 8.3 The Race Committee may select a class-winning vessel at random, for inspection after the finish.

9 AWARDS PARTY

- 9.1 The awards party will be held at the Lauderdale Yacht Club on Saturday, March 19, 1800 hrs. Awards for the Islands in the Stream Series will also be presented to the series winners.

10 SCORING AND TIME ALLOWANCES

- 10.3 For any PHRF divisions, Time-on-Time scoring will be used. Time allowances will be calculated using the following conversion formula: $650 / (550 + \text{PHRF Rating})$.

12 SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

- 12.1 Sailing Instructions shall be posted by March 12, and available at the Skippers Meeting.

13 SKIPPERS MEETING

- 13.1 The Skippers Meeting will be held Thursday, March 17, at 1900 hrs, at the Lauderdale Yacht Club.

14 **PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded in each class for First to Finish and Best Corrected Time. Other prizes may be awarded.

For More Information:

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