



San Juan 500 International Regatta

Organizing Authority
FEDERACION DE VELA DE PUERTO RICO
July 22 - 24, 2022

NOTICE OF RACE

The Municipality of San Juan, the Federación de Vela de Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Sailing Federation), the Club Náutico de San Juan, Borinquen Islands Sailing Association, and the Ponce Yacht and Fishing Club have the distinct pleasure of inviting you to the **“San Juan 500 Anniversary International Regatta”** to be held from July 23 to July 25, 2018. We have the honor to offer the sailors from Puerto Rico and the Caribbean an awesome opportunity of racing in one of the most beautiful settings in the coastal waters of the Atlantic Ocean North of Puerto Rico, the San Juan Bay and its spectacular views of Old San Juan and Cataño. This event is the second leg of a series beginning with the BRISA Cup held the weekend of the 16 and 17 July in the waters East of Fajardo. This regatta challenges the best boats and sailors in the Caribbean and promises outstanding onshore activities at Old San Juan and Cataño, tall ship exhibitions, musical shows, with among other artists, Victor Manuel, Límite 21, La Tribu de Abrahante, Pirulo, and others, for a memorable and historic festive weekend.

1. RULES

- 1.1 This Regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in world Sailing (WS) Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2021-2024. To the extent permitted by Part 7 of the RRS, specific provisions of the RRS may be modified, altered or made inoperative by the Notice of Race (NOR) or the Sailing Instructions (SI).
- 1.2 Rules of participating One Design classes will apply, except as modified, altered or made inoperative by the NOR or the SI, to the extent permitted by such class rules.
- 1.3 For purposes of an overall prize for CSA Classes, this race is the second and last leg of a series beginning with The BRISA Cup to be held on July 16 and 17, 2022. See the Notice of race of the BRISA Cup and the San Juan 500 Feeder Race at yachtscoing.com. The last Race of the BRISA Cup will start in Fajardo on the morning hours of 17 July 2022 and will Finish in San Juan Bay.
- 1.4 All boats in the CSA Spinnaker Racing Class shall be measured.
- 1.5 Boats racing on Performance Cruising and CSA Jib & Main will use the CSA Simplified handicap system. Only boats with an official 2021 or 2022 ratings will be allowed to race.
- 1.6 Boats in the PERFORMANCE CRUISING CLASS may sail with two head sails or gennaker. The spinnaker pole is allowed.
- 1.7 Boats in the CSA jib & Main Class shall sail with one head sail only. The use of the spinnaker pole is allowed.
- 1.8 Genoas more than 150% will not be allowed for all Cruising and Jib & Main Classes.
- 1.9 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

1.10 For CSA measurement of Racing Classes; or to get CSA Simplified Rating for cruising and Jib and Main Classes, contact Puerto Rico's CSA Measurer Rafael Martinez, (787) 510-4817, and at rjm4@gmail.com.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY

2.1 The regatta is open to cruising or Racing boats measuring no less than 19 feet in LWL, Hobie Cat 16 and Nativos 17. A minimum of three (3) boats for each class is required to constitute a class.

2.2 **Classes:** CSA Spinnaker Racing, CSA Performance Cruising, CSA Jib & Main, IC24, Melges 32, O'day Mariner 19, Nativos 17, and Hobie Cat 16

2.3 Entry Form and registration:

2.3.1 Eligible boats may enter by completing the registration form making complete payment of the registration fee through <http://www.yachtscoring.com>

2.3.2 Electronic Registration constitutes acceptance to the Waiver of Liability

2.4 Classes/Categories: For CSA measurement of Racing Classes; or to get CSA Simplified Rating for cruising and Jib and Main Classes, contact Puerto Rico's CSA Measurer Rafael Martinez, (787) 510-4817, and at rjm4@gmail.com

2.5 Eligible Vessels sailing from the Dominican Republic and from the American and British Virgin Islands will be honored with free registration.

2.6 All Boats must comply with the Safety Protocol and must have a medical Emergency Evacuation Plan and being compliance with COVID-19 Executive Orders.

2.7 The acceptance of yachts in a specific class is entirely at the discretion of the Race Committee. Classes will generally be arranged according to rating and will be announced at the Skippers Meeting. The Race Committee, depending on the number of entries, will determine the number of classes within a division. The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject entries in the classes as they deem appropriate.

2.8 **Crew:** Minimum crew in all classes shall be 2 (two). No crew may be omitted or substituted unless permission is received in advance from the race Committee Chairman. All requests must be submitted in writing.

2.9 A minimum of three (3) boats for each class is required to constitute a class.

2.10 The Race Committee reserves the right to waive eligibility to vessels in order to allow fair and maximum participation.

3. REGISTRATION FEES: CSA SPINNAKER RACING, CSA PERFORMANCE CRUISING, CSA JIB & MAIN, IC24, MELGES 32

3.1.1 Early Bird Registration (EBR):	No later than June 5, 2022	\$250.00
3.1.2 Regular Registration (All Competitors):	June 5 to June 25, 2022	\$275.00
3.1.3 Late Registration:	After June 25, 2022	\$300.00

4. REGISTRATION FEES O'DAY MARINER, NATIVOS AND HOBIE 16

4.1 Early Bird Registration (EBR):	No later than June 5, 2022	\$100.00
4.1.2 Regular Registration (All Competitors):	June 5 to June 25, 2022	\$150.00
4.1.3 Late Registration	After June 25, 2022	\$200.00

4.2 Boats registering in the BRISA Cup and San Juan 500 get a \$100.00 discount for this event.

4.4 Registration and payment in full MUST be done using www.yachtscoring.com no later than Tuesday, July 19, 2022.

4.4 IAW Puerto Rico Tax Law, a 11.5% tax will be charged at registration

4.5 For a registration to be considered as complete it must be paid in full upon registering within the deadlines expressed above. Failure to comply with the payment within the deadlines, shall be considered as "nonpayment", and charged the rate at the full payment date.

5. ADVERTISING: WS regulation 20.4 applies. Boats may be required to display advertising chosen and supplied by the Organizing Authority (OA) in all or any of the races, if applicable.

6. MARINA ACCOMMODATIONS: DOCKS MAY BE AVAILABLE AT CLUB NAUTICO DE SAN JUAN AND SAN JUAN BAY MARINA, AVAILABILITY AND CONDITIONS WILL BE PUBLISHED SOON IN AN AMENDMENT.

6.1 FREE DOCK: ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS: THE PUERTO RICO PORTS AUTHORITY WILL PROVIDE FREE DOCKING AT DOCK 6, AND THE EAST SIDE OF DOCK 9 AT YOUR OWN RISK. DOCK 9 FORMS AN INLET AFTER BAHIA URBANA. THERE WILL BE NO UTILITIES (WATER AND POWER NOR PUMP OUTS). CNSJ AND SJBW MAY PROVIDE DOCKS IF AVAILABLE, COSTS AND POINTS OF CONTACT TO BE ANNOUNCED.

6.2 RAMP FOR O'DAYS AND NATIVOS 17: THE MUNICIPALITY OF CATAÑO HAS RESERVED A PARKING LOT FOR BOATS USING THE RAMP. RAMP AND THE PARKING ARE LOCATED WEST OF THE PYRAMID.

6.3 VEHICLE PARKING AT SAN JUAN: VEHICLES ACCOMPANYING RACERS MAY PARK AT DOCK 11, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FRONTIER DOCK.

7. NAVIGATION CHARTS AND SAFETY PLANS

7.1 Entering yachts are encouraged to carry on board a current copy of NOAA charts and BECOME FAMILIAR WITH LOCAL SHOAL, REEF AND CHANNELS.

7.2 In accordance with the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing 2021-2024 (Rule 46), a boat shall have on board a Person in Charge. The safety of a boat and her crew is the sole and inescapable responsibility of the Person in Charge. Fundamental rule 4 in the World Sailing Racing Rules of Sailing, states: "DECISION TO RACE: The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone."

7.3 Person in Charge/Boat Owners must ensure compliance with all Federal and local statutory and regulatory Safety Equipment Requirements. All safety equipment must be USCG or UL approved.

7.4 The Person in Charge/Owner shall do his best to ensure that the boat is fully found, thoroughly seaworthy and manned by an experienced and appropriately trained crew who are physically fit to face bad weather. The person in charge shall also assign a person to take over his responsibilities in the event of his incapacitation.

7.5 Upon registration through www.yachtschoring.com, Boat Owners/Persons in Charge are responsible to provide their crew lists in this website. All boats shall provide a complete crew who will be aboard the yacht during the race. Any changes to this crew list up to the start of the race must be given to the Race Committee prior to starting the race. Also, yachts are expected to advise the Race Committee via VHF radio the day of the race should they have any crew changes.

7.6 The Person in Charge/Owner of Cruising/ J&B Vessels is responsible for having a current, valid CSA Simplified Rating ensuring that the yacht is sailed in the race as specified in the rating certificate. Racing boats shall be measured by CSA measurer Rafael Martínez (See para. 2.4). Any change to the rating after submitting this entry form is to be reported to the Organizing Authority prior to 15 July 2022.

7.7 All boats shall carry a VHF Radio capable of communicating on Channels 16, 71 and 72.

7.8 On the water: The race committee will broadcast starts via VHF. The channel will be stated in the Sailing Instructions.

7.9 **MEDICAL EMERGENCIES:** For those vessels participating in the BRISA Cup and Feeder Race from Fajardo to San Juan, since this is an offshore coastal race, the separation between ports in the route requires that each boat prepares a medical evacuation plan depending on the seriousness of the injury or disease potentially suffered. Skippers/Persons in Charge/ Owners are responsible to make such plans and coordinate evacuations. Threatening life illnesses or accidents require immediate rescue by the U.S. Coast Guard, for which the boat must be ready to communicate the boat's coordinates for the rescue.

7.10 Injuries occurring close to Ports or Marinas must be handled by 9-1-1. In such events determine the optimal rendezvous locations for emergency transfers. Any serious injury requiring evacuation during Start Sequences shall be notified to the RCSV. Head injuries should receive immediate medical attention and the injured should not return to the water until they have been evaluated by a medical professional.

8. SCHEDULE

8.1 Skippers check in and Registration through www.yachtscoring.com.

8.1.1 Late Registration and Cocktail at Club Náutico de San Juan on Thursday, July 19, 2022, from 1800 to 2000

9. IDENTIFICATION OF SAILS / BOATS

9.1 Each boat should provide a clearly visible, unique, non-repeated number form of identification on its sail. In the case of a duplicate number the last boat to be registered should modify his number before the first warning signal in order to participate in the races.

10. SAILING INSTRUCTIONS AND RACES

10.1 The sailing instructions will be published in www.yachtscoring.com. Course Description will be available at Registration.

10.2 As a Green Regatta. Competitors can print their own SI or use the online SI.

10.3 Races will be back-to-back.

10.4 The First warning signal is scheduled for 1100hrs on Saturday July 23 and Sunday, July 24.

10.5 No warning signal will be hoisted after 1600 hours on Saturday. No warning signal will be hoisted after 1400 hours on Sunday.

10.6 The Race Committee will only supply the courses in print.

10.7 A copy of the Sailing Instructions will be posted in the Federation de Vela de Puerto Rico webpage <https://sailingpur.com> and at the event page www.yachtscoring.com.

10.8 All competitors must complete registration before the Skipper's meeting.

11. SCORING

11.1 A minimum of one (1) race will constitute a regatta.

11.2 When five (5) or fewer races have been completed, a boat's series score will be the total of her race scores.

11.3 When from six (6) to ten (10) races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her series scores excluding her (1) worst score.

11.4 When from eleven (11) to fifteen (15) races have been completed a boats series score will be the total of her series scores excluding her two (2) worst scores.

11.5 Vessels participating in the Feeder Race and Last Race of the BRISA CUP, scheduled for 16 July 2022, will run North from the waters East of Fajardo, sailing North through the Cucarachas Passage, and Westward toward San Juan Bay. More details and other courses will be specified in the Sailing Instructions of the BRISA CUP/ Feeder Race.

11.6 For competitors participating in both, the BRISA Cup and the San Juan 500 are eligible to earn an First Place Overall for the Series.

12. VENUE

12.1 The venue of this event is the Navigational Waters of the Bay of San Juan, and the Atlantic Sea North of Puerto Rico.

12.2 The Race will take place in the navigational waters of Puerto Rico and adjacent waters.

13. PRIZES

- 13.1 An Award Ceremony is scheduled for 1000 hours, July 25, 2022, at a designated area in Old San Juan.
- 13.2 Trophies will be awarded to the first three boats in each class.
- 13.3 For competitors participating in both, the BRISA Cup and the San Juan 500 will also compete for a First Place Overall Series Score.
- 13.4 The First-Place entry on The BRISA Cup permanent trophy will be awarded to the boat in the Jib and Main Class measuring over 26 LWL. The BRISA Cup concludes in 17 July. Eligibility is for BRISA members who timely paid their 2022 membership prior to February 2022.

14. INFORMATION

- 14.1 Regatta Chairman, Organizing Authority: Graham A. Castillo (787) 300-1600
- 14.2 Registration for the BRISA Cup: <http://www.yachtscoring.com>
- 14.3 FVPR Web Page: <https://sailingpur.com>
- 14.4 San Juan 500 Page: <https://regatasi500.com>

15. INSURANCE: Each participating boat shall be insured with valid third-party liability insurance company whose rating by A.M. BEST is not less than A-.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:

I AGREE TO BE GOVERNED BY THE WORLD SAILING RACING RULES, BY THE CLASS RULES, BY THE NOTICE OF RACE AND THE SAILING INSTRUCTIONS, AND I ACCEPT THE PENALTIES ASSESSED UNDER THESE RULES AND SUCH OTHER ACTIONS AS MAY BE TAKEN, SUBJECT TO SUCH APPEAL AND REVIEW PROCEDURES AS ARE PROVIDED THEREIN, AS THE FINAL DETERMINATION OF ANY MATTER ARISING UNDER THESE RULES, AND AGREE NOT TO REPORT TO ANY COURT OR TRIBUNAL NOT PROVIDED HEREIN WITH RESPECT TO SUCH DETERMINATION ACCEPTED UNDER WORLD SAILING RULES OF RACING FUNDAMENTAL RULE 4, PART1, IT IS MY SOLE RESPONSIBILITY TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO START OR TO CONTINUE TO RACE, AND I AGREE NOT TO REPORT TO ANY COURT OR TRIBUNAL WITH RESPECT TO SUCH DECISION AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY ASSUMES ALL RISKS OF ACCIDENT, AND AGREES THAT THE FEDERACION DE VELA DE PUERTO RICO (FVPR), BORINQUEN ISLANDS SAILING ASSOCIATION (BRISA), CLUB NAUTICO DE SAN JUAN, PONCE YACHT AND FISHING CLUB, THE PUERTO RICO PORTS AUTHORITY, AND/OR ANY OF THEIR SPONSORS AND AGENTS AND ASSIGNS, THE CLASS ASSOCIATIONS, INCLUDING THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICIALS, MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, BOARDS OF DIRECTORS, RACE COMMITTEES, PROTEST COMMITTEES AND UMPIRES, SHALL NOT BE LIABLE, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCE, FOR DAMAGES OR CLAIMS ARISING FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN THE REGATTA (OR DENIAL OF ENTRY), INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION CLAIMS FOR LOSS OF LIFE OR INJURY TO PARTICIPANT(S) OR OTHERS, FOR THE LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO, ANY YACHT OR FOR INCIDENTAL, CONSEQUENTIAL OR SPECIAL DAMAGES. PARTICIPATION IN THIS EVENT AND IN EACH RACE IN THIS EVENT IS AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF SKIPPER AND HIS/HER CREW AND AT THEIR OWN RISK.

FURTHERMORE, I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS THE SKIPPER'S SOLE AND INESCAPABLE RESPONSIBILITY TO ASSURE THAT HIS BOAT IS FULLY FOUND, THOROUGHLY SEAWORTHY AND MANNED BY AN EXPERIENCED AND COMPETENT CREW WHO IS (ARE) PHYSICALLY FIT, THAT ALL OF THE SAFETY

EQUIPMENT IS PROPERLY MAINTAINED AND STOWED. THE CREW (IF APPLICABLE) KNOWS WHERE ALL THE EQUIPMENT IS KEPT AND HOW IT IS USED. MOREOVER, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE FINAL DECISION WHETHER TO SAIL OR CONTINUE SAILING IS THAT OF THE SKIPPER AND CREW (IF APPLICABLE). I AGREE THAT THE DECISION OF THE RACE COMMITTEE CONCERNING WHETHER TO RACE, CONTINUE RACING OR WHEN TO ABANDON RACING, IF AT ALL, SHALL NOT RELIEVE THE SKIPPER AND CREW (IF APPLICABLE) FROM THEIR ULTIMATE RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR THEMSELVES.

I AGREE THAT NEITHER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ANY EQUIPMENT REGULATIONS, NOR THE LACK OF INSPECTION OF A BOAT BY THE ORGANIZING AUTHORITY, IN ANY WAY LIMITS OR REDUCES THE COMPLETE AND UNLIMITED RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SKIPPER AND THE CREW (IF APPLICABLE) OF THIS BOAT TO DECIDE WHETHER OR NOT TO START OR CONTINUE IN A RACE.

BY ENTERING, I AGREE TO BE COMPLY WITH ALL RULES GOVERNING THIS EVENT. IN CASE OF ANY DISPUTES OR CLAIMS ARISING FROM MY PARTICIPATION IN THE REGATTA OR USE OF ANY DOCKS, HOISTS, POOLS, PARKING AREA OR OTHER FACILITIES, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION CLAIMS FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE, REFUSAL OF ENTRY, PERSONAL INJURY OR LOSS OF LIFE, TO SETTLE ANY DISPUTE THAT MAY ARISE. I UNDERSTAND THAT I WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MY OWN ATTORNEY'S FEES AND COSTS.

THE COMPETITOR, PARENT OR GUARDIAN ALLOWS, THE FEDERACION DE VELA DE PUERTO RICO, BRISA, CLUB NAUTICO DE SAN JUAN, PONCE YACHT AND FISHING CLUB, AUTORIDAD DE PUERTOS DE PUERTO RICO AND/OR ANY OF THEIR SPONSORS AND AGENTS AND ITS ASSIGNS TO USE HIS OR HER NAME AND PHOTOGRAPH FOR PURPOSES OF ADVERTISING AND/OR TRADE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED, TO USE IN ANY PRINT MEDIA FOR THE ABOVE ADVERTISER THROUGH THE WORLD, WITHOUT RESTRICTION AS TO THE FREQUENCY OR DURATION AND WITHOUT THE RIGHT OF COMPENSATION.

THE ENTRY ONLY WILL BE VALIDATED WITH THE RECEIPT OF PAYMENT.