



2024 SPRING DBC GULF SERIES REGATTA

The Organizing Authority: Dunedin Boat Club 49 Main Street, Dunedin, Florida

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS (SI)

2/3, 3/30, 4/13

1 RULES

1.1 The event is governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS)*.

2 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2.1 Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted on the Official Notice Board before 0800 hrs on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 hrs. on the day before it will take effect.

3 COMMUNICATIONS WITH COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at the Yacht Scoring website. It is the responsibility of each competitor to check the Official Notice Board for any amendments or notices. It is recommended that all crew register their email address and "on water" cell phone number to receive communications.
- 3.2 The race committee may communicate with competitors on Channel 72: however, failure of the race committee to transmit or failure of a boat to receive transmission shall not be grounds for redress.
- 3.3 While racing, except in an emergency, a boat shall not make voice or data transmissions and shall not receive voice or data communication that is not available to all boats.

4 SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1 No signals will be displayed ashore.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **5.1** First warning 1155 hrs. Second race to follow.
- **5.2** No warning signal will be made after 1400 hrs.

6 CLASS FLAGS

6.1 The class flags are: Spinnaker – numeral pennant 1 🗩

Cruising – numerical pennant 2 >>

Multihull – numerical pennant 3 -

Fun – numerical pennant 4 📂

7 COURSES

- 7.1 Appendix A, the approximate area of the course, and the marks with their approximate GPS settings noted with the letters "A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H and I".
- 7.2 No later than the warning signal, the Race Committee Signal Vessel will display the race course for the next race made up of the lettered marks, on her stern, and may also display the approximate compass bearing of the first leg.

8 MARKS

8.1 The start and finish marks will be a yellow cannister or round yellow ball. Course marks will be yellow cannisters or round yellow balls.

9 THE START

- **9.1** The start line is between a staff displaying an orange flag on the race committee vessel at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- **9.2** To alert boats that a race sequence will soon begin, the race committee may make a signal at least one minute before a warning signal is made.





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10 THE FINISH

10.1 The finish line will be a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee vessel and the course side of the nearby mark

11 PROTEST AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 11.1 Protest forms are available on the regatta website captioned "General Race Forms"
- 11.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 90 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day or the race committee signals no more racing today, whichever is later.
- 11.3 Protest will be heard as soon as possible. Competitors will be informed of the time of the hearing, in which they are a party or have been named as a witness.

12 TIME LIMITS

12.1 If no boat has passed the first mark within 60 minutes, the race shall be abandoned. The time limit for finishing will be 4pm.

13 SCORING

- 13.1 The scoring will be time on time, using WFPHRF buoy ratings for the Spinnaker Class and Random Leg Course ratings for all other classes.
- 13.2 All races will be scored there will be no exclusions. This changes RRS A2.

14 SAFETY REGULATIONS

- Boats shall check in with the race committee before the class warning signal either on channel 72 or by sailing past the stern of the signal vessel and hailing her name, sail number and class.
- **14.2** A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee vessel at the first reasonable opportunity

15 PRIZES

15.1 Prizes will be awarded as follows in WFPHRF classes.

# Entries	Places
2	1st
3	1st & 2nd
4+	1st, 2nd & 3rd