



St Croix Yacht Club
27th International
Regatta
6 - 8 March 2020



St. Croix Yacht Club
Teague Bay, St. Croix, US Virgin Islands

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS^{v3}

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing*.
- 1.2 The CSA Rating Rule applies to all classes except Rhodes 19.

2 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board(s) located at **The St. Croix Yacht Club**.

3 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0830 or be announced verbally on VHF channel 06 on the day it will take effect, except that any change to the schedule of races will be posted by 2000 on the day before it will take effect.

4 COMMUNICATIONS

- 4.1 Signals made ashore will be displayed on the SCYC flagpole.
- 4.2 It is the intention of the Race Committees to use VHF 06 for announcements concerning the location of the starting area, order of starts, boats identified as OCS, and other courtesy announcements. Failure to make these broadcasts or failure to hear them shall not constitute grounds for granting redress. This changes rule 62.1(a).
- 4.3 If a postponement is signalled ashore, the warning signal of the first class will be made not less than 60 minutes after the AP flag is lowered.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Racing is scheduled as follows:

Date

6 March	Captain Nick's Race	First warning 1000 hours
7 March	International Regatta	First warning 1000 hours
8 March	International Regatta	First warning 0930 hours

There may be as many as five races a day. Notice of the last race to be sailed each day will be made via VHF.

5.2 The warning signal for each succeeding race will be made as soon as practical after the finish of the last boat in the preceding race.

5.3 On Sunday, 8 March, no warning signal will be made after 1400 hours.

5.4 Class flags and intended order of starts for the **first race** of the day:

Class	Flag
Multihull	Pink
CSA 1 (Spinnaker Racing)	White
CSA 2 (Non-Spinnaker)	Yellow
Rhodes 19	Lime Green

These are the intended order of starts for the first race of the day, subsequent starting sequences will be announced by the Race Committee over VHF Channel 06

6 RACING AREAS

The racing area will be the waters north of St. Croix. The Race Committee intends to make courtesy announcements identifying the location of the starting area beginning approximately 0915 hours each racing day.

7 THE COURSES

7.1 No later than the preparatory signal (this changes rule 27.1), the Race Committee signal boat will display the course to be sailed.

7.2 A boat shall not sail through the starting line or finish line unless starting or finishing. A boat that breaks this rule shall not correct her error. However, she will be exonerated if she takes a One-Turn Penalty (see rule 44.2). For reasons of safety, on legs of the course that pass the start/finish line, the start/finish line shall be considered an obstruction and therefore rules 19 and 20 may apply between boats while they are approaching and passing it.

7.3 Windward / Leeward course mark diagram is attached as Attachment A.

7.4 Distance Race Course descriptions are attached as Attachment B. For Courses 3 and 3H: **Boats may not sail inside the imaginary line joining the designated Buck Island NPS buoys. Boats observed violating this will be disqualified without a hearing.**

8 MARKS

Laid marks will be tetrahedrons and balls.

9 THE START

- 9.1** The starting line will be between an orange flag on the RC signal boat and a nearby mark. See Attachments A and B. Any buoy or dinghy attached to the signal boat shall be an extension of the signal boat.
- 9.2** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area. Breach of this sailing instruction may only be protested by the Race Committee.
- 9.3** Classes may be started together.
- 9.4** The warning signal for each succeeding start may be made with the starting signal of the preceding class.

10 THE FINISH

Except for Distance Race Courses finishing at the Yacht Club, the finishing line will be between a blue flag on the RC Signal boat and a nearby mark. See Attachment C for Yacht Club finish detail.

11 PENALTY SYSTEM

For all classes rules 44.1 and 44.2 are changed so that only one turn, including one tack and one gybe, is required.

12 TIME LIMITS

Boats failing to finish within 20 minutes after the **second** boat in her class sails the course will be scored TLE and will be given points equal to the number of boats finishing within the time limit plus one. This changes rules 35, A4.1, A4.2, A5, and A11.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1** The protest time limit is 60 minutes after the Race Committee arrives at St. Croix Yacht Club, which time shall be posted at the Protest Desk.
- 13.2** Hearings will be held at the St. Croix Yacht Club in approximately the order of receipt and as soon as possible. Hearings may be open to the public.
- 13.3** On the last day of the regatta, a request for reopening a hearing shall be delivered:
- a) within the protest time limit if the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on the previous day;
 - b) no later than 30 minutes after the party requesting reopening was informed of the decision on that day. This changes rule 66.
- 13.4** When the Protest Committee decides that a boat that is a party to a protest hearing has broken a rule, it shall have discretion in imposing a penalty, except when the rule broken is a rule of Part 2 of the RRS. This changes rule 64.1.

14 SCORING

One race is required to be completed to constitute a series. No races will be excluded.

15 PRIZES

- 15.1** Prizes for Captain Nick's Race and the International Regatta series prizes will be given at the St Croix Yacht Club beginning at approximately 1400 hours on Sunday, 8 March.
- 15.2** 1st place through 3rd place prizes will be awarded for the Captain Nick's Race.
- 15.3** 1st through 3rd place prizes will be awarded for the International Regatta with the Perpetual Award going to 1st place in the Racing Spinnaker class. The Richard Newick Perpetual Multihull Trophy will be given to the 1st place multihull.
- 15.4** The skipper's weight in rum will be awarded to the winner of all classes with six or more paid entries for Saturday and Sunday's series scores.

16 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule 4, Decision to Race. The organizing 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 regatta.

ATTACHMENT A

Course - Modified Windward/Leeward
W: Start - W - Finish
W1: Start - W - L - Finish
W2: Start - W - L - W - L - Finish
*All Roundings to Port
*Start line is closed



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SAILING INSTRUCTIONS ATTACHMENT B
DISTANCE RACES - COURSE DESCRIPTIONS^{v4}

COURSE	NAME	DESCRIPTION	APPROXIMATE LOCATION
2	SALT RIVER	Start at Signal Boat Round Inflatable Mark 2X to Port Finish at Signal Boat DISTANCE: Approx 13.5nm	17° 47.1N 64° 44.6W
2H	SALT RIVER to CLUB	Start at Signal Boat Round Inflatable Mark 2X to Port Enter West end of Channel Reef at Coakley Bay Finish at Yacht Club pier on a bearing of 200°M to a staff with a blue flag DISTANCE: Approx 15.5nm	17° 47.1N 64° 44.6W
3	BUCK ISLAND	Start at Signal Boat Buck Island NPS Mark M to Port Buck Island NPS Mark N to Port Inflatable Mark 3X to Port Inflatable Mark 4X to Port Inflatable Mark 5X to Port Buck Island NPD Mark E to Port Buck Island NPS Mark J to Port Finish at Signal Boat DISTANCE: Approx. 8.5nm	17° 47.2N 64° 34.6W 17° 48.3N 64° 36.2W 17° 48.6N 64° 37.9W
3H	BUCK ISLAND to CLUB	Start at Signal Boat Buck Island NPS Mark M to Port Buck Island NPS Mark N to Port Inflatable Mark 3X to Port Inflatable Mark 4X to Port Inflatable Mark 5X to Port Buck Island NPD Mark E to Port Buck Island NPS Mark J to Port Enter West end of Channel Reef at Coakley Bay Finish at Yacht Club pier on a bearing of 200°M to a staff with a blue flag DISTANCE: Approx.10.0nm	17° 47.2N 64° 34.6W 17° 48.3N 64° 36.2W 17° 48.6N 64° 37.9W
4	TOWN & BACK	Start at Signal Boat Leave Green Cay to Port Leave Christiansted Harbor Channel	

Marker "7" to Port 17° 45.4N 64° 41.7W
Leave Green Cay to Starboard
Finish at Signal Boat
DISTANCE: Approx. 8nm

**4H TOWN & BACK
to CLUB**

Start at Signal Boat
Leave Green Cay to Port
Leave Christiansted Harbor Channel
Marker "7" to Port 17° 45.4N 64° 41.7W
Leave Green Cay to Starboard
Enter West end of Channel Reef at Coakley Bay
Finish at Yacht Club pier on a bearing of 200°M
to a staff with a blue flag
DISTANCE: Approx. 10.0nm

5 GREEN CAY

Start at Signal Boat
Green Cay to Starboard
Finish at Signal Boat
DISTANCE: Approx. 5.5nm

**5H GREEN CAY
to CLUB**

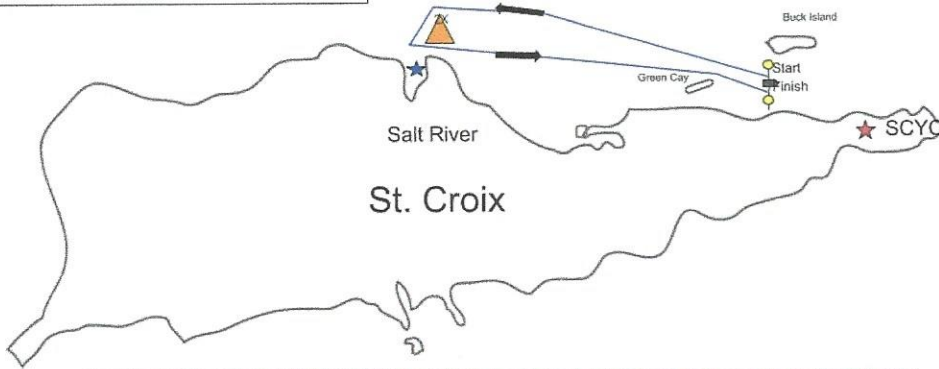
Start at Signal Boat
Green Cay to Starboard
Enter West end of Channel Reef at Coakley Bay
Finish at Yacht Club pier on a bearing of 200°M
to a staff with a blue flag
DISTANCE: Approx. 7.5nm

ATTACHMENT B

2. Salt River Race

Start - 2X - Finish

*All Marks to Port



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2H. Salt River to Club Race

Start - 2X - Finish (at the SCYC T Dock- See attachment C)

*All Marks to Port

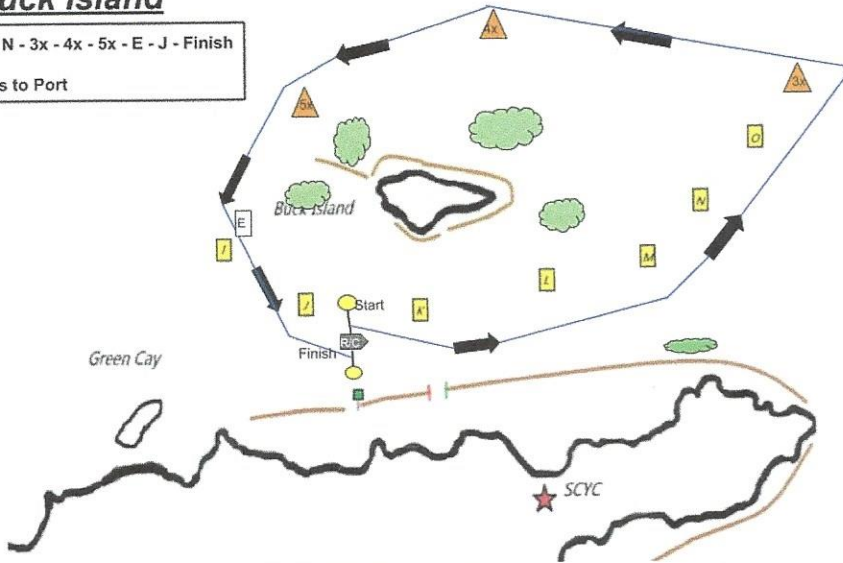


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3 *Buck Island*

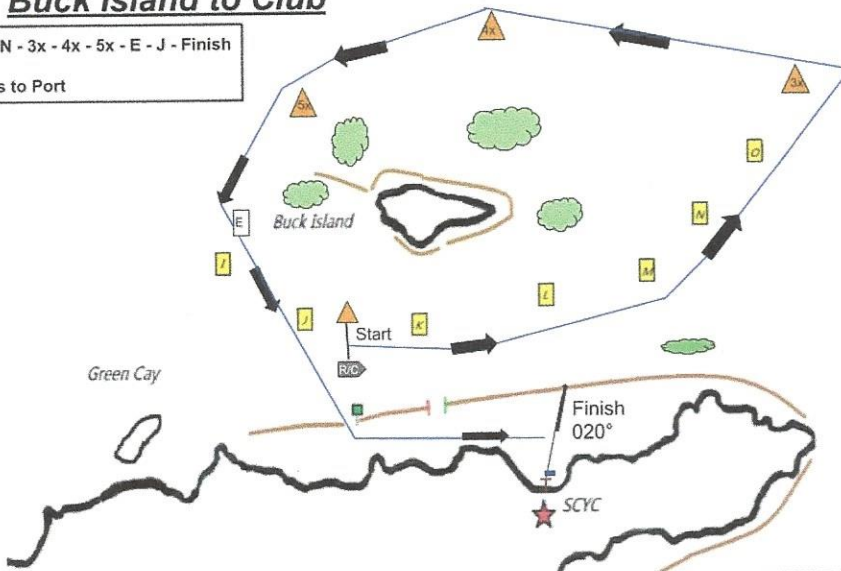
Start - M - N - 3x - 4x - 5x - E - J - Finish
**All Marks to Port



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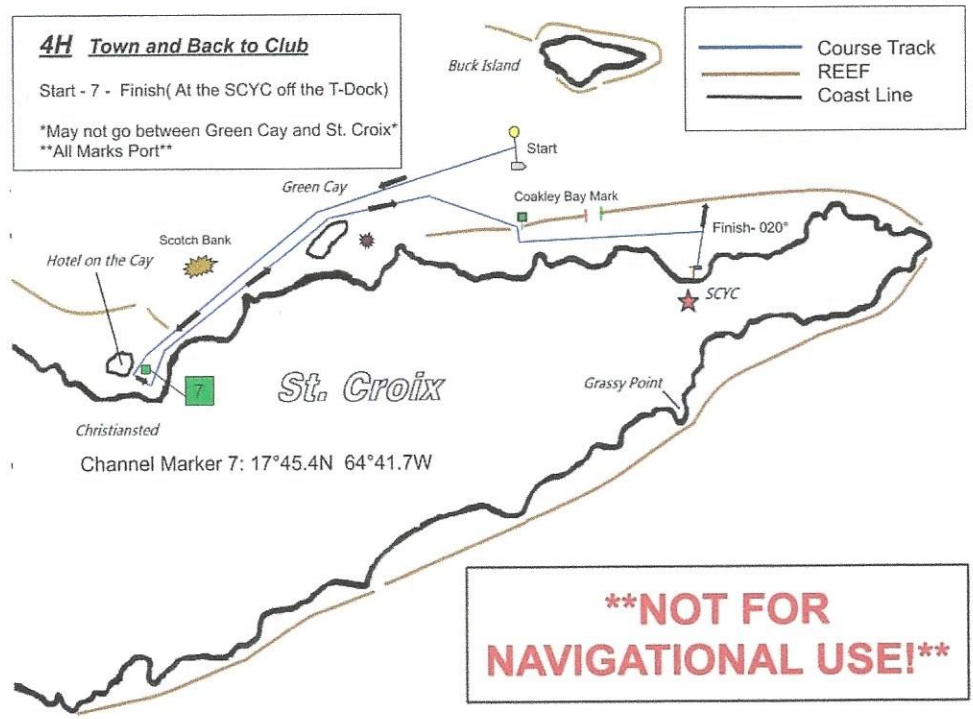
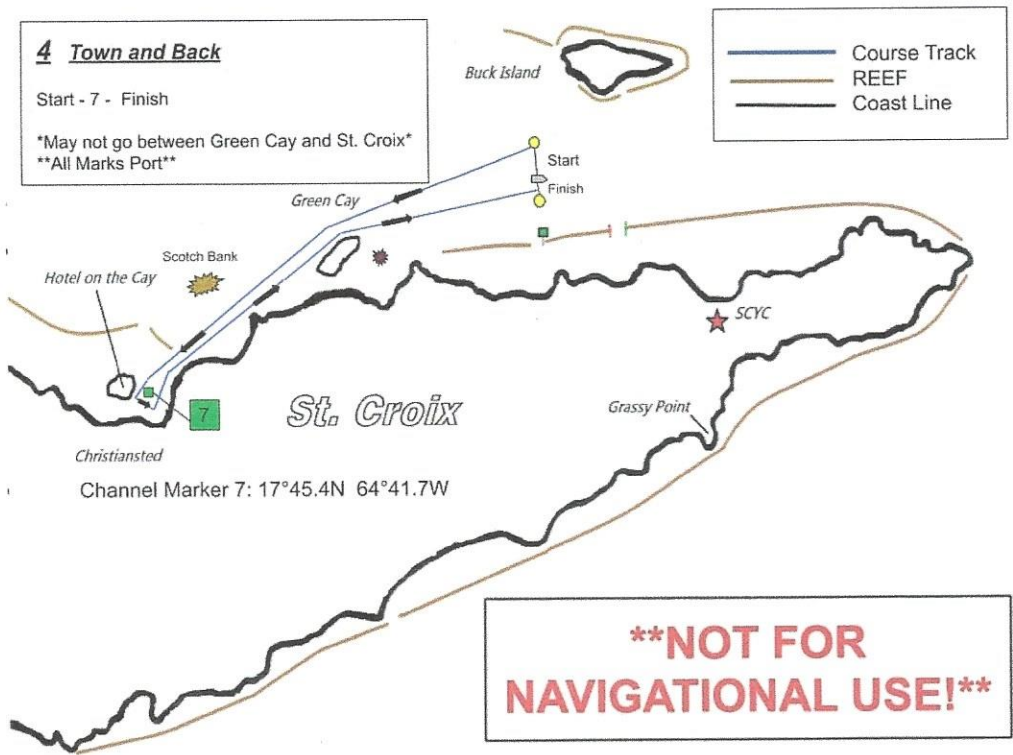
3H *Buck Island to Club*

Start - M - N - 3x - 4x - 5x - E - J - Finish
**All Marks to Port



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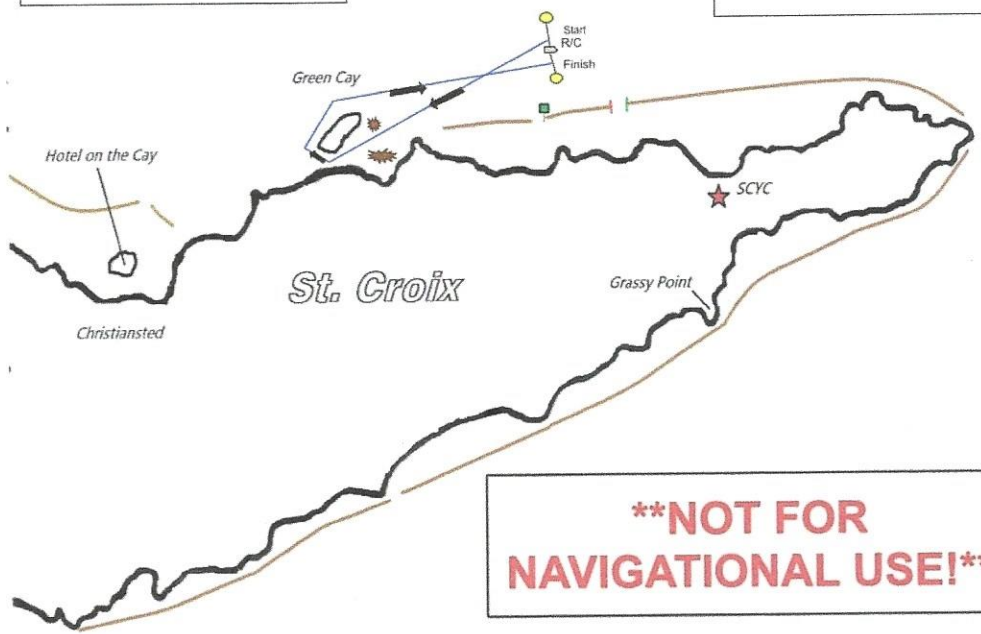


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5 Green Cay
Start - Green Cay (Starboard) - Finish



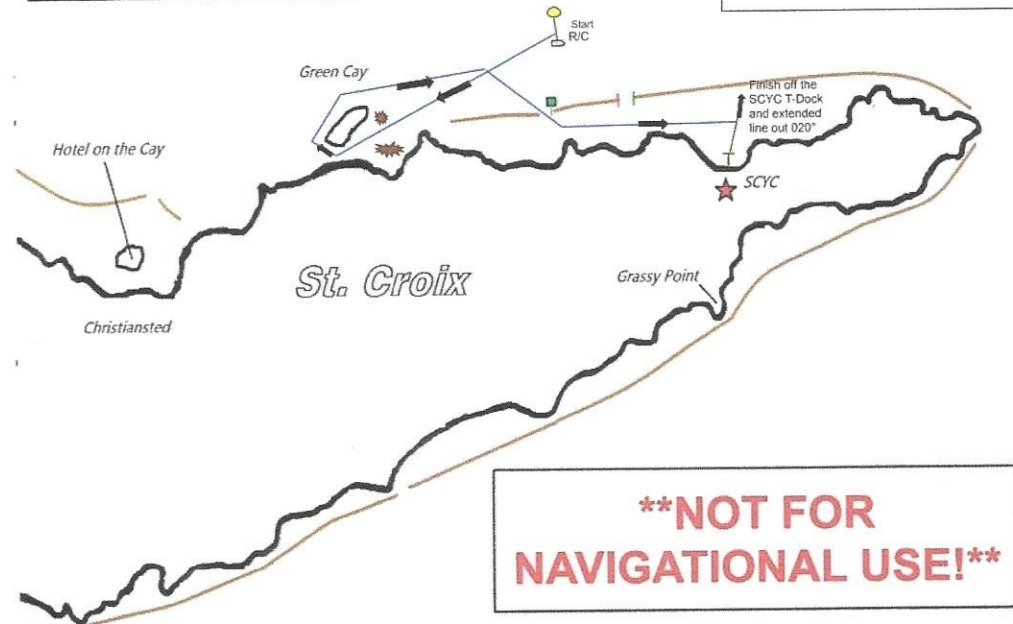
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— REEF
— Coast Line



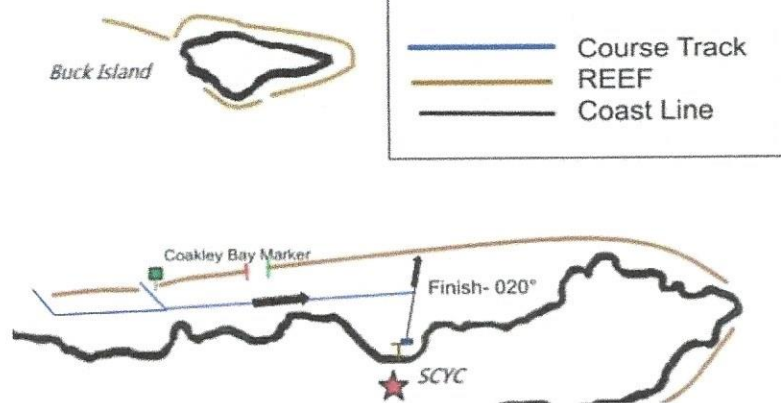
5 Green Cay
Start - Green Cay (Starboard) - Finish



— Course Track
— REEF
— Coast Line



Attachment C



-For all Distance Races that finish at the St. Croix Yacht Club (SCYC), please refer to this Attachment for how to finish.

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