

2022 LAKE PONTCHARTRAIN RACING CIRCUIT

Friday Oct. 21, Saturday Oct. 22, Sunday Oct. 23

Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit Committee consisting of Southern Yacht Club, New Orleans Yacht Club, Pontchartrain Yacht Club, Tammany Yacht Club, Corinthian Sailing Association 105 N Roadway Drive New Orleans, LA 70124

LPRC Web address: http://www.saillprc.org/

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

The notation '[DP]' in a rule in the SI means that the penalty for a breach of that rule may, at the discretion of the protest committee, be less than disqualification.

1. RULES

- **1.1.** The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) and the Lake Pontchartrain Racing Circuit (LPRC) Bylaws.
- **1.2.**US Sailing prescriptions Appendix V, Alternative Penalties, shall apply. This changes RRS 44.1.

1.3.

Sailing Instruction No.	Rule Altered herein
1.2	RRS 44.1
4.2	RRS Race Signals
8.1	RRS 60.3
10.3	RRS A4 and A5
10.4	RRS 41 and 62.1
13.3	RRS 35, A4 and A5
14.5	RRS 60.1(a)
15.1, 15.2	RRS A2

- 2. **NOTICES TO COMPETITORS** Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice boards located as follows, and will also be posted on the website http://www.saillprc.org:
 - **2.1.**Race 1 & 2 at PontYC
 - 2.2. Race 3 before race at PontYC, after race at NOYC
 - 2.3. Race 4 & 5- at SYC

3. CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

3.1Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted two (2) hours before the first warning signal on the day it will take effect, except that any change in the schedule of races will be posted by 1900 hours on the day before it will take effect.

3.2 Questions regarding the sailing instructions shall be submitted to the PRO or chief judge in writing. Responses will be posted on the official notice board.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

4.1. Signals made ashore will be displayed from the flagpole located at the club where the race starts as follows:

Day	Club
Friday	PontYC
Saturday	PontYC
Sunday	SYC

4.2. When flag AP is displayed ashore, '1 minute' is replaced with 'not less than sixty (60) minutes' in race signal AP. This changes RRS Race Signals.

5. SCHEDULE OF RACES

- **5.1.** Spinnaker division is scheduled to sail two (2) custom courses each day, except on Saturday, when it will sail a distance race.
 - Racer/Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker divisions are scheduled to sail one (1) custom course each day, with the possibility of a second race at the discretion of the Race Committee, except on Saturday, when they will sail a distance race.
- **5.2.** There shall be no make-up races if races are not completed on the scheduled day.
- **5.3.** The scheduled time of the 1st warning signal for the first race of each day is as follows:

Race	Day	1 st Warning Signal	Description
Race 1	Friday	1155	Custom course at PontYC
Race 2	Friday	After Race 1	Custom course at PontYC
Race 3	Saturday	0955	Distance race from PontYC to NOYC
Race 4	Sunday	0955	Custom course at SYC
Race 5	Sunday	After Race 4	Custom course at SYC

5.4.On the last day of the Regatta, no race will start after 1400.

6. CLASS FLAGS

6.1. Classes will start using the class flags as indicated below:

Class	Class Flag
Spinnaker A	White
Spinnaker B	Yellow
Spinnaker C	Light Blue
Racer/Cruiser	Grey
Non-Spinnaker	Lime Green

- **6.2.** Divisions will be divided into classes based upon participation prior to the skippers meeting. Class breaks will be posted after the Skipper's meeting.
- **6.3.** Boats shall attach and display a streamer to the backstay while racing. The streamer color shall match the class flag color indicated above. Streamers will be available at the skipper's meeting.

7. RACING AREAS

- **7.1.** The racing area will be Lake Pontchartrain, Louisiana NOAA Chart 11369. The Starting area for each club will be in the vicinity of:
 - 7.1.1. **SYC** Approximately 1 nautical mile NNE of SYC near the SYC fixed racing marks.
 - 7.1.2. **PontYC** Approximately 1 nautical mile SSW of PontYC near private aid M1.

8. THE COURSES

8.1. Custom Courses

- 8.1.1. Distances: The actual distances of the race course will be computed by the race committee for the purposes of calculating corrected times. These distances are not subject to protest or requests for redress. This changes RRS 60.3.
- 8.1.2. Spinnaker: The diagram in Attachment A shows the course, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left.
- 8.1.3. Racer/Cruiser and Non-spinnaker: The race committee signal boat will designate the marks in order. Marks may be fixed or temporary marks. The finish mark will be designated "N."
- 8.1.4. Distance Course: Attachment C lists the courses, the marks, the order in which the marks are to be passed, and the side on which each mark is to be left. Marks shall be rounded such that a boat shall not need to cross her own wake.
- **8.2.** Not later than the warning signal, for custom courses only, the race committee signal vessel will display the approximate compass bearing and approximate distance to the first mark.

9. MARKS

9.1. Custom Course

- **9.1.1.** The course for Spinnaker A-C will be windward/leeward, with number of laps as shown in Attachment A. Marks 1a, 1b and 2 will be orange inflatable buoys. Spinnaker A & B will round mark 1b on the first leg and round mark 1a on the third leg; Spinnaker C will round mark 1a on the first and third legs.
- **9.1.2.** Distance Race marks will be fixed marks and orange inflatable buoys as described in Attachment C.
- **9.1.3.** New marks as provided in 11 "Change of the Next Leg of the Course" will be yellow inflatable buoys.
- **9.1.4.** Offset marks will be orange spheres.
- **9.1.5.** Mark N will be a green inflatable buoy.

9.1.6. Racer/Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker classes will use inflatable green buoys and/or fixed marks as designated on the race committee signal boat. Inflatable buoys, if used, will be designated "4" if a windward mark, or "5" if a gybe mark, as necessary. Marks shall be rounded such that a boat shall not need to cross her own wake.

10. THE START

- **10.1. Starting Line** The starting line will be between a staff displaying an orange flag on the RC signal boat at the starboard end and the course side of the port-end starting mark.
- **10.2.** Boats whose warning signal has not been made shall avoid the starting area during the starting sequence for other fleets. [DP]
- **10.3. Starting Time Limit** Boats starting later than fifteen (15) minutes after her starting signal will be scored Did Not Start without a hearing. This changes RRS A4 and A5.
- **10.4. Recalls** The race committee intends to recall OCS boats by hailing sail numbers or boat names after the starting signal. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, an untimely hail of OCS boats, failure to hail any boats, and the order of the boats in the hail shall not be grounds for granting redress. This changes RRS 41 and RRS 62.1. The race committee will use the VHF radio and/or a loud hailer to hail. The race committee will operate on and monitor VHF Channel 72 with Channel 68 as an alternate.
- **11. CHANGE OF THE NEXT LEG OF THE COURSE** To change the next leg of the course, the race committee will lay a new mark (or move the finishing line) and remove the original mark as soon as practicable. When in a subsequent change a new mark is replaced, it will be replaced by an original mark.

12. THE FINISH

- 12.1. Custom courses
 - 12.1.1. **Spinnaker**: The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the nearby mark to port of a race committee boat displaying the Spinnaker A class flag.
 - 12.1.2.
 - **Racer/Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker**: The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the nearby green "N" mark to port of a race committee boat displaying the Racer/Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker class flags.
- **12.2. Distance course** The finishing line will be between a staff displaying a blue flag on a race committee boat and the course side of the nearby mark.

13. TIME LIMITS

- **13.1.** The time limit for each race will be:
 - **13.1.1.** Spinnaker Custom Courses: Two and one half (2.5) hours.
 - **13.1.2.** Racer/Cruiser and Non-Spinnaker Custom Courses: Four (4) hours.
 - **13.1.3.** Distance Course: Seven (7) hours.

- **13.2.** If no boat in a class finishes within the above time limit, the race for that class will be abandoned.
- **13.3.** Boats failing to finish within the following time limits after the first boat in her class sails the course and finishes will be scored Did Not Finish without a hearing. This changes RRS 35, A4 and A5.
 - **13.3.1.** Custom courses: Thirty (30) minutes.
 - **13.3.2.** Distance course: Ninety (90) minutes.

14. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- **14.1.** Protest forms are available at the race offices of PontYC for Friday races, NOYC for Saturday race, and SYC for Sunday races.
- **14.2.** Competitors shall notify the finishing vessel of their intent to protest upon finishing, or as soon as possible after retiring.
- **14.3.** Protests shall be delivered to a member of the Race Committee or Protest Chairman within sixty (60) minutes after the race committee boat docks.
- **14.4.** Notices will be posted on the official notice board at PontYC (Friday), NOYC (Saturday), and SYC (Sunday) within fifteen (15) minutes of the end of protest time.
- **14.5.** Breaches of SIs 10.2 and 16 will not be grounds for protest by a boat. This changes RRS 60.1(a).
- **14.6.** Hearings may be held prior to the end of the protest time limit.
- **14.7.** On the last day of the regatta, protests may be heard after the awards ceremony.

15. SCORING

- **15.1.** The Low Point Scoring System, RRS A2, will apply, modified so that each boat's series score will be the total of her race scores with no score discarded. This changes RRS A2. Each class will be scored separately.
- **15.2.** Boats in Spinnaker Division and Racer/Cruiser Division will be scored using ORA-1 Spinnaker ratings.
- **15.3.** Scoring for Boat of the Day awards will use the Low Point Scoring System, RRS A2 with no races discarded.
- **15.4.** Scoring for overall Spinnaker, and Non-Spinnaker Boat of the Regatta will be the total of her race scores with no score discarded.
- **15.5.** In the event a race is abandoned for a class or classes within a fleet, all boats in the fleet will discard that race for the purposes of scoring "Boat of the Regatta."
- **15.6.** If Scoring Ties cannot be broken using RRS A7 and A8, greatest cumulative corrected seconds per mile ahead of its nearest competitor in the boat's class, with no races discarded will be used.

16. SAFETY REGULATIONS

- **16.1.** All boats must be in compliance with the United States Coast Guard's required safety equipment. Notwithstanding these requirements, the Committee strongly recommends compliance with the requirements of Category 3 under ORC.
- **16.2.** Prior to the first warning signal of each day, all boats shall check in by sailing past the stern of the race committee signal boat on starboard tack and

- hail the boat name and sail number [DP]. This discretionary penalty shall not exceed two points added to a boat's finishing position for the first race of the day.
- **16.3.** A boat that retires from a race shall notify a race committee vessel before leaving the course, or when that is impossible, the starting club's office immediately after arrival ashore. [DP]

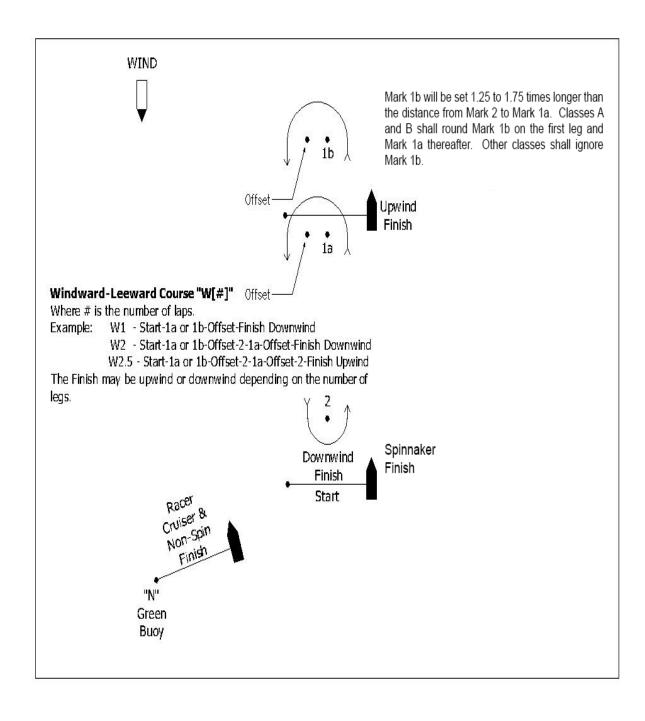
17. PRIZES

- **17.1.** Trophies will be awarded to the boats finishing in the top three positions in each class for each race each day as soon as possible after the protest filing period expires.
- **17.2.** Daily prizes will be awarded for "Boat of the Day" following individual race trophies.
- **17.3.** Overall Regatta Class trophies will be awarded on the last day of the Regatta to the boats finishing in the top three positions in their class for the series.
- **17.4.** ORR-ez overall first, second, and third place awards will be given for boats in the Spinnaker and Racer/Cruiser divisions that choose to be scored using ORR-ez if five or more boats in each division choose ORR-ez. First place awards will be given if there are less than five boats in each division.
- **17.5.** "Best Spinnaker Boat of the Regatta" award will be awarded on the last day of the regatta.
- **17.6.** "Best Non-Spinnaker Boat of the Regatta" award may be awarded on the last day of the regatta if enough Non-Spinnaker boats participate, at the discretion of the LPRC Committee.
- **17.7.** "Best Racer/Cruiser Boat of the Regatta" award may be awarded on the last day of the regatta if enough Racer/Cruiser boats participate, at the discretion of the LPRC Committee.
- **17.8.** The Julian Richards Memorial trophy will be awarded to the overall winner of Spinnaker Class A.
- **18. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY** Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See rule RRS 3, 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.

19. CONTACTS

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ATTACHMENT B South Shore Marks

Top number is compass bearing; Bottom number is distance in nautical miles.

(Positions subject to variation) Revision 1, April 2014

New Orleans Yacht Club

ATTACHMENT C Distance Race from PontYC to NOYC

COURSE

Start, to Mark 1, to SYC "J" Mark thence to Finish at SYC "A" Mark. Distance, 20.5 nautical miles.

2. MARK DESCRIPTION LIST:

Start: The Race Committee will set the starting

line such that Mark 1 is one half nautical mile (1/2 NM) upwind of the starting line. The pin end of the starting line will

be an orange inflatable buoy.

Mark 1: A temporary mark, located

approximately at 30° 19.5' N, 090° 04.0' W, or approximately 1.5 nm SSW of the entrance to Mandeville Harbor. During the starting sequence the Race Committee signal boat will display the letter "P" (port) or "S" (starboard) indicating that boats shall leave Mark 1

to either her port or starboard side.

"J" Mark SYC fixed buoy "J". Approximate

position of "J" mark: 30° 02.5' N, -090° 03.1' W, or approximately 0.8nm North of the UNO Kiefer Arena. Round "J" Mark leaving "J" to the starboard side.

Finish: SYC fixed buoy "A". If fixed mark "A" is

missing, the Race Committee will set an orange tetrahedron mark in its place.

ATTACHMENT D North Shore Marks

Mark	Latitude	Longitude	Description
M1	30 20.104	090 04.004	Fixed Pipeline Marker
M	30 19.617	090 04.863	Fixed Pipeline Marker
L1	30 18.881	090 05.689	Fixed Pipeline Marker
PYC J	30 18.432	090 02.566	Floating Yellow Cylindrical Mark
PYC P	30 18.203	090 03.712	Floating Yellow Cylindrical Mark

Bearings and Distances

	M1	-	М		PYC	J	PYC	Р	L1		
	Bearing	Miles									
M1		235		0.90	142	2.10	171	1.90	225	1.38	
M	055	0.90			119	2.30	144	1.75	209	0.53	
PYC J	322	2.10	299	2.30		256		1.00	287	2.37	
PYC P	351	1.90	324	1.75	076	1.00			306	1.58	
L1	045	1.38	029	0.53	107	2.37	126	1.58			