

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

2023 BBSC Double Handed Race

Saturday, 9 June 2023

1. RULES & SCORING

- 1.1. The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in *The Racing Rules of Sailing* (RRS).
- 1.2. Special Instruction: This "Double Handed" race will require each vessel to have only a twoperson crew making the boat go. Extra "safety observers," or "cheering section" are allowed, but they cannot do anything to help, to include hiking out, shifting weight, or even handing the crew a beer or a sandwich.

2. COMMUNICATION

- 2.1. The official notice board for NoRs, SIs and NoSs is online at https://nextsailor.com/regatta/BBSCdoublehanded2023 (also the QR code at the top)
- 2.2. Racing communications will also be posted "hardcopy" as conditions permit on the BBSC corkboard in the side room of L.J. Schooner's Bar & Grill.
- 2.3. The competitor's meeting will be in-person at the Bluewater Bay Marina per the schedule written in 6. (below).
- 2.4. Changes to the sailing instructions will be posted as soon as they take effect. Changes made at the skipper's meeting will be posted following the skipper's meeting.

3. ELIGIBIITY & ENTRY

- 3.1. The race is open to all PHRF rated boats. Entries without a GYA PHRF certificate will be assigned a rating by the Fleet Captain.
- 3.2. Eligible boats may register electronically at nextSailor.com, at the links above in 2.1.

4. SIGNALS MADE ASHORE

- 4.1. No signals are planned to be made from ashore if race committee is on station on the water. If race committee is not on station, signals will be displayed from the end of the elevated dock that extends westward from the beach-area of the Bluewater Bay Marina Complex.
- 4.2. When flag 'AP' is displayed ashore, "1 minute" is replaced with, "not less than 30 minutes" for RRS race signals regarding "AP."

5. CLASSES

- 5.1. The competition will feature two classes:
 - 5.1.1. Spinnaker Class
 - 5.1.2. X-Class "back calculated rating of known boats/crew. Any entry choosing to participate in X-Class will have a rating assigned by the fleet captain.
- 5.2. Class Flags will be announced at the competitor's meeting.



6. SCHEDULE

6.1. Saturday, 9 Sep:

9:30 In person Registration @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion

10:30 Competitor's Meeting

12:25 First Warning (both classes)

5:00 PM (goal) Results & Awards @ L.J. Schooner's Pavilion

7. CHECK IN

7.1. Attendance & participation in the competitor's meeting will constitute as "checked in." Any significant changes of registration information shall be communicated to the race-committee prior to the first warning signal as an "amended check in." (do you get my point, Mark?)

8. RACECOURSE (Both Classes)

8.1. 2023 Double Handed Course A:

Start Gate (IVO N30-27.9 W086-27.2) Gate-Heading South

- South Mark (IVO N30-26.9 W086-27.2) Port

- Start Gate Gate-Headed North

- Boggy #1 Port

- Start Gate Gate-Headed North

Rocky #1 Port

- Start Gate Gate-Headed North

- ICW #58 Port

- Finish Gate Gate-Headed North

Total Distance: 11.0 NM

- 8.2. Course A assumes forecast south wind. Expect changes to the course due to different wind directions to force an upwind start.
- 8.3. Approaching the Intercoastal Waterway: Be aware of the enhanced opportunities to avoid collision with other vessels in this area. Many rental boats with limited knowledge of COMDTINST M16672.2D "Navigation Rules INLAND," may be traversing this area. Conversely, be aware of the enhanced opportunity to avoid collision with commercial (barge) traffic who will have an extensive knowledge of the same. For the rental & pleasure boats, be ready to give-way in a position to stand-on OR stand-on when in a give-way position. For the commercial traffic, monitor Channel 16 and be prepared to use voice communications to avoid conflict.

9. MARKS

- 9.1. Non-government marks shall be described at the competitor's meeting, but...
- 9.2. Expect "Start Gate" to be defined by two orange balls, arranged approx. East-West.
- 9.3. Expect "South Mark" to be an orange or yellow tetrahedron without an offset.

10. THE START

- 10.1. Two orange balls will define the starting line which will facilitate a windward start.
- 10.2. If any part of a boat's hull is on the course side of the starting line before her starting signal and she is identified, the RC may broadcast her sail number on the pre-briefed VHF radio

channel. The failure of any boat to hear the hail, untimeliness of the hail, the order of hail, or failure to hail all or some boats shall not be grounds for redress. This modifies RRS 62.1(a).

11. THE FINISH (for X-Class)

- 11.1. The finish is planned to use the same marks as the start, in the direction defined in 8.1.
- 11.2. Time Limit: There is NO time limit.

12. PENALTY SYSTEM

12.1. RRS 44.1 is changed such that a Two-Turn Penalty is replaced by One-turn penalty for Part 2 and Rule 31 violations, except two turns when in the zone around a mark.

13. PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

- 13.1. Protest forms are available from the race committee (as conditions and situation permits), and from the Fleet Captain.
- 13.2. Protests, request for redress, and request for reopening shall be delivered to the Race committee or Fleet Captain within the posted protest time limit.
- 13.3. The protest time limit is 30 minutes after the Race Committee signal boat has returned and the RC has returned.
- 13.4. Persons will be notified, and notices will be posted no later than 20 minutes after the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses.

14. SCORING

14.1. Both classes will be scored as a single race using corrected time.

15. SAFETY REGULATIONS

15.1. Notify the Race Committee as soon as possible if retiring from the race.

16. RADIO COMMUNICATION

16.1. The RC will transmit/receive with competitors on VHF channel 72.

17. DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

17.1. RRS 3 States the following: 'The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue to race is hers alone.' By participating in this event each competitor agrees and acknowledges that each skipper is responsible for his/her vessel and crew.

18. FURTHER INFORMATION

nextSailor website: https://nextsailor.com/regatta/BBSCdoublehanded2023

(Or QR Code at the top)

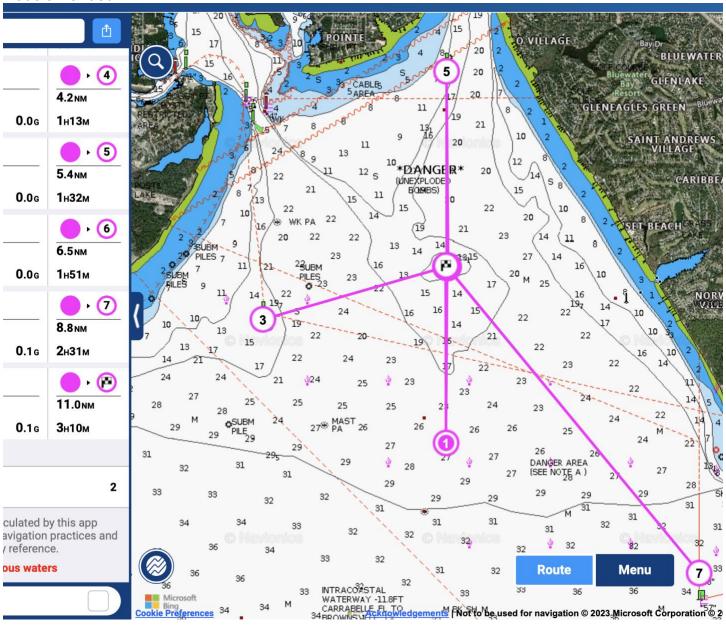
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19. REVISIONS: 1



APPENDIX A: Racecourse Depiction

Double Handed A:





APPENDIX B: Starting Sequence per RRS 26

26 STARTING RACES

Races shall be started by using the following signals. Times shall be taken from the visual signals; the absence of a sound signal shall be disregarded.

Minutes before starting signal	Visual signal	Sound signal	Means
5*	Class flag	One	Warning signal
4	P, I, Z, Z with I, U, or black flag	One	Preparatory signal
1	Preparatory flag removed	One long	One minute
0	Class flag removed	One	Starting signal

^{*}or as stated in the notice of race or sailing instruction

The warning signal for each succeeding class shall be made with or after the starting signal of the preceding class.





APPENDIX C: Important Flag Signals

- 'P' Prep
- 'X' individual recall
- 'AP' Postponement (Code flag below)
- 'L' Come within hail (or follow me)
- 'S' shortened course

