

Captain Oliver's Regatta

20 and 21 May 2017

Presented by St Maarten Yacht Club and Carib Beer

SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1 RULES

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in The Racing Rules of Sailing.
- 1.2 The CSA rule, including any amendments will apply.
- 1.3 Rules 52 and 77, of the RRS will not apply.
- 1.4 Rule 44 of the RRS changes for the Multihull class and only a single turn is required for infractions of a rule in part 2 of the RRS.
- 1.5 Each participating vessel shall carry safety equipment as specified by their flag state for coastal navigation.
- 1.6 If there is a conflict between languages the English text will take precedence.

2 ADDITIONAL IDENTIFICATION

Boats without sail numbers shall display bow numbers while racing. The organising authority will supply the numbers and instructions for their use.

3 NOTICES TO COMPETITORS

- 3.1 Notices to competitors will be posted on the official notice board located at Captain Oliver's Marina.
- 3.2 Notices can be made verbally by VHF on Channel 68.

4 CHANGES TO SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Any change to the sailing instructions will be posted before 0730 on the day it will take effect.

5 SCHEDULE OF RACES

- 5.1 Registration:
 - 1. Friday 19 May 2017 from 16.00 to 19.00.
- 5.2 Dates of racing:
 - Saturday 20 May 2017
 - Sunday 21 May 2017
- 5.3 At least one race is scheduled to be sailed on each day.
- 5.4 If time and conditions allow, a second race will be sailed on each or either day.
- 5.5 The scheduled time of the warning signal for the first race will be:
 - Saturday 20 May 2016 at 10.00
 - Sunday 21 May 2016 at 09.00
- 5.6 The start time for subsequent races on either day will be announced by VHF radio on Channel 68 and will be signalled by the committee boat.

6 CLASSES

- 6.1 The classes to be contested, rating system and their class flags will be:
 - Racing Monohull – CSA Rating – Dark Green class flag
 - Cruising Monohull – CSA Rating – Purple class flag
 - Cruising Multihull – CSA Ratings – Pink class flag
 - Rum Class – Un-rated – Start when ready after the last start or as otherwise agreed

7 THE COURSES

- 7.1 The courses are described in Attachment A.
- 7.2 The courses to be sailed will be posted on the notice board no later than 0730 of the day of racing.

7.3 Any changes to the courses will be posted on the notice board no later than 0730 on the day of racing.

8 THE START

8.1 Races will be started using rule 26.

8.2 The start will be between two red and white Budget Marine Buoys anchored off the channel at Oyster Pond. The start signals will be given from a boat located near the southern buoy.

8.3 The starting order of classes will be:

Racing Monohulls

Cruising Monohulls

Multihulls

8.4 Rum Class

9 THE FINISH

The finishing line for all courses will be between the green approach mark to the Oyster Pond channel and a Budget Marine buoy on its eastern side. The finish will be recorded from Mont du Fief (Crystal Mountain).

10 TIME LIMITS

10.1 Time limits are as follows:

Saturday 20 May 2017 1700

Sunday 21 May 2017 1300

10.2 Boats failing to finish within the time limits will score one point more than the number of boats finishing within the time limit. This changes rules 35.

11 SCORING

The scoring will be in accordance with the low point scoring system. No race will be discarded.

12 AWARDS

Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third in each class.

13 PROTESTS AND REQUESTS FOR REDRESS

13.1 Protest forms are available from the race committee. Protests shall be delivered within the protest time limit.

13.2 For each class, the protest time limit is 30 minutes after the last boat has finished the last race of the day. The same time limit applies to protests by the race committee and protest committee about incidents they observe in the racing area and to requests for redress. This changes rules 61.3 and 62.2.

13.3 Notices will be posted within 10 minutes of the protest time limit to inform competitors of hearings in which they are parties or named as witnesses. Hearings will be held in the jury room, located at Captain Oliver's Marina, beginning at the time posted.

13.4 The protest committee may apply percentage penalties except for breaches of RRS part 1 and 2

13.5 Parties involved in a protest have the option to accept a 30% percentage penalty before their protest hearing.

14 DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY

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